

## FWSF P&P MANUAL – PROPOSAL TO CHANGE P&P #5

### 5. Tournament Selection Procedure

1. Present the bids for the Fl State Tournament. See section 6.3.
2. Post “protected” tournament dates and the accepted majors on the calendar
3. Ask sponsors with “protected” dates if they will again be hosting tournaments on those dates. Adjust calendar accordingly. Allow deletions only, no additions!
4. Ask for Officials clinics dates and add to calendar.
5. Ask for Junior Development Clinic dates and add to calendar accordingly.
6. Add North and South Florida dates to the calendar, announcing each one.
7. Have all of the tournament sites (new & old) randomly draw bidding numbers. 12/09
8. A potential tournament site that does not have two protected event dates may bid (by bidding number) on open event dates. Sites with one protected date and a site foregoing a protected weekend will join in the next round to pick a second date. At the end of round two, all sites should have two dates on the calendar if wanted. 12/09
9. All tournament sites, by bid number, bids the additional tournaments they would like, using a bidding/round system, until all tournament sites have had an opportunity to bid all of their desired tournament dates. 12/09

NOTE: If there is a conflict on dates requested, they should be worked out by the two tournament sites to an amicable solution. It is not the duty of the federation to mediate these conflicts. 12/09

10. When all bidders have completed the process, review each date with everyone to ensure that it is the schedule that they want the Federation Board of Directors to approve.

### 11. PROTECTED WEEKENDS:

- a. Protected weekends apply only to Central Florida water ski sites during April thru November, inclusive. “Central Florida” is defined as that area north of Florida State Route 60 and south of Florida State Route 40.
  - b. A Central Florida site obtains protected status by holding a C, E, L and/or R tournament on the same weekend in two consecutive years (see paragraph 16 below). Once protected, that site shall have the right to hold a tournament on the protected weekend each year thereafter. No site shall have more than two protected weekends during a single calendar year period. Once a date is protected, that site shall have priority over any other site wishing to host a C, E, L and/or R tournament within Central Florida on the protected weekend(s). Protected status is further defined in paragraphs 19 and 20 below.
  - c. Class F, and Grassroots tournaments (i.e., tournaments not sanctioned in whole or part as C, E, L or R) and other sanctioned activities, such as clinics, practice, etc., may be held notwithstanding proximity to a protected site on a protected weekend, but such events shall not be entitled to protected status.
12. In addition, protected status is given based on tournament events, such that a Slalom tournament may be held on the same weekend as a Jump Tournament without conflict. The following scenarios are allowed at different sites without application of the protected weekend rule:
- a. Slalom vs Jump
  - b. Slalom vs Trick
  - c. Jump vs Trick

- d. Three Event vs Single Event
  - e. Three Event vs Dual Event
13. Tournaments not approved at the December meeting or requests to change a date already approved must be approved by a majority of the Federation Board of Directors. The tournament host shall contact the President a minimum of 14 calendar days before the proposed date of the tournament with the date and information on the proposed event; the President will take a vote of the Federation Board of Directors by any reasonable and practicable means, including by phone, email or other form of electronic communication, and report back to the tournament host. The President will then notify the EVP of the approved change or new date per section 1.3 of the Southern Region P & P Manual. 12/11
  14. A tournament site is entitled to skip a protected date for one year. The tournament must be held the next year or the date is lost as one of their protected dates. 12/09
  15. If a site is hosting the Southern Regionals or US Team Trials, they are entitled to skip a protected date the weekend before the event without penalty.
  16. To establish a protected weekend, a tournament site must hold a tournament for two consecutive years on the same weekend. After the second year, the tournament site may ask that the Florida Federation designate that weekend as a protected weekend. The Federation Board of Directors shall grant protected status unless there are extenuating circumstances that have been discussed and voted upon. 12/09
  17. The Florida State Tournament is a protected weekend by the Southern Region. Any change in this date must be approved by the Southern Region Council.
  18. North and South Florida Tournaments Dates: North and South Florida tournament sites (meaning all tournament sites north and south of Central Florida as defined above) normally do not participate in the Central Florida protected dates; therefore they will mail to the President a list of proposed tournaments before the December meeting. They have stated that they are flexible and will change dates if needed.
  19. Protected Status is determined by site, not by club or local organizing committee (LOC). However, Rollins College, Florida Southern College and The Lakeland Waterski Club's "Lakeland Open" at Mulberry are entitled to a singular protected weekend— provided that they follow the outlined practices and procedures to obtain protected weekend status.
  20. Central Florida protected sites shall have the exclusive right to secure officials and towboats, etc. after the Florida Federation Winter Meeting and until March 15 each year. After March 15, other sites, clubs or LOCs may submit requests to the Florida Federation and, if approved, to the American Water Ski Association (AWSA) to host a tournament on an otherwise protected weekend, provided they meet the USA Water Ski and Wake Sports/AWSA criteria standards outlined in the AWSA rule book and other applicable criteria. To be clear, nothing in this Policy and Procedure 5 prohibits a site, club or LOC from applying for a sanction and holding a tournament after March 15 nor do the protected sites have the discretion to "veto" the application of another site, club or LOC to hold a tournament on a protected weekend after March 15.

21. If a site hosts a one-day tournament and that one-day tournament becomes protected, the other day of that weekend shall remain unprotected.
22. Protected weekends only apply to weekend tournaments. There are no protected mid-week dates. Sites, clubs and LOCs may host midweek tournaments otherwise in compliance with these practices and procedures at their will.
23. If prior to March 15 a protected site has confirmed its officials and boats and another site, club or LOC wishes to apply for a tournament sanction and asks for the protected site's consent, such consent shall be given and promptly communicated to the Federation President. The Federation Board of Directors shall approve the sanction unless there are extenuating circumstances that have been discussed and voted upon.
24. Nothing in these policies and procedures shall prohibit a site, club or LOC from requesting a sanction at any time before the March 15 deadline with the written consent of the protected site.
25. Tournaments sanctioned in a ski year that are cancelled due to pandemics, natural disasters, governmental mandated shutdowns, extreme weather events or similar conditions shall be deemed to have been held for purposes of determining and/or maintaining protected status.

26. Protected Tournament Dates Rev 12/19

1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in April	LaPoint Ski Park
2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in April	Florida Southern College
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in April	Winter Garden Water Ski, Drew Ross
4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend in April:	McCormick Lakes
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in May (Sat)	Champions Lake (Declined 2020)
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in May (Sun)	Swiss Ski School
Mother's Day Weekend or 2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in May	Ski Paradise
2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in May	Florida Inboards (outside of Central FL)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in May	Sunset Lakes
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in May	Ski Watch/ Milton FL (Outside of Central FL)
4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend in May	Victory Lake/ Jacksonville FL (Declined 2020) (Outside of Central FL)
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in June (Sat)	Lakeland Waterski Club/ Ski Paradise
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in June (Sun)	Ski Club of the Palm Beaches (Declined 2020) (Outside of Central FL)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in June (Sat)	Ski Paradise (Declined 2020)

3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in June	Ski Watch/ Milton FL (Declined 2020) (Outside of Central FL)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in June	Victory Lake/ Jacksonville FL (Outside of Central FL)
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in July	Stillwater/ Spacecoast (Declined 2020)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in July or 2 weeks before Regionals	Florida State Championships
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in July	Ski Fluid
4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend in July	Regionals
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in September	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in September (After Labor Day)	Stillwater
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in September	Victory Lake/Jax T Skiers (Jacksonville FL) (Outside of Central FL)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in September	Ski Club of the Palm Beaches (outside of Central FL)
4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend in September	
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in October	Sunset Lakes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in October (Sat)	Champions Lake
2 <sup>nd</sup> Weekend in October (Sun)	Swiss Ski School
3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend in October	Ski Fluid
4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend in October	McCormicks Lakes
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in November	Isles of Lake Hancock
1 <sup>st</sup> Weekend in November	LaPoint Ski Park

## **6. FLORIDA STATE TOURNAMENT**

**proceed with prior P&P as written**