



IWWF Cable Wakeboard European & African Youth & Senior Championships 2026

August 24th – 29th 2026
Wakelake, Bratislava, Slovakia

Bulletin 1

The Slovak Waterski and Wakeboard Federation (SZVW), Bratislava Wake Club (BWC), and the Wakelake herewith invite all Members Federations of the IWWF E&A Nations to the European and African Youth and Senior Cable Wakeboard & Wakeskate Championships which will be held in Bratislava from 24th to 29th of August 2026.

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1. Organizer, contacts

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INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONING BODY:

International Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation European
Cable Wakeboard Council (ECWC)

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2. Hosting city

Bratislava is the capital of Slovakia and is uniquely located on the borders with Austria and Hungary. City is easily accessible by train, with direct connections to major European cities like Vienna, Prague and Budapest. The city also has its own international airport, and the nearby Vienna International Airport is just a 45-minute bus ride away.

3. Competition site

The wake park is located on the eastern border of the city at the Zlaté Piesky (Golden Sands) lake.

www.wakelake.sk

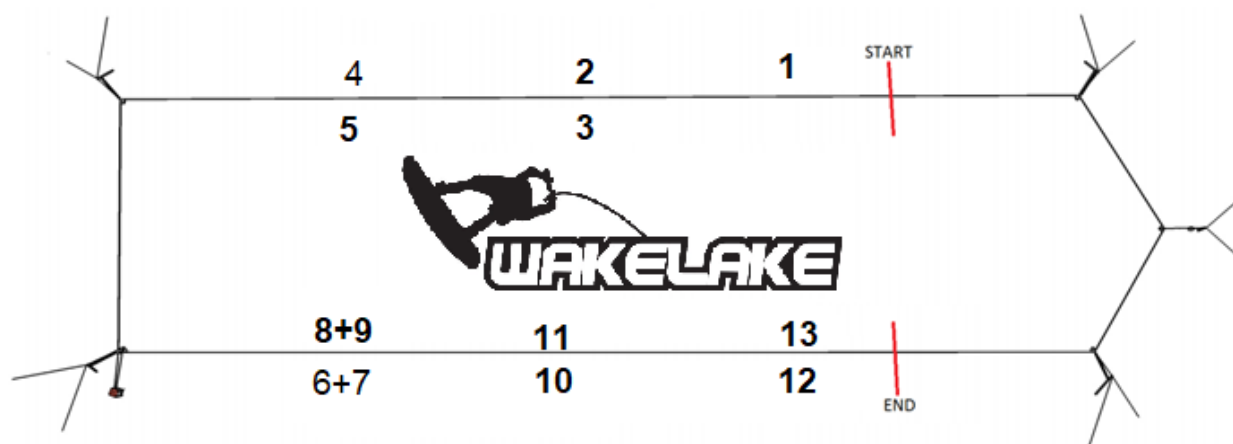
Cable: Rixen, manufacture year 2004

810 m length, 5 pylons, 9 m cable height
counterclockwise

Wake Park – 18 features:

1. Elephant box 15 x 1m
2. Step-up rail 20 x 0,8/1 m

3. Pipe transfer downrail 20 x 1,3m + Jules Charraud stairs
4. BUMP 3,8 x 2,3 x 0,7 m
5. Jules Charraud UpRail Box
6. Kicker 5,5 x 1,2 m
7. Minikicker 3 x 0,7 m
8. Kicker 5,5 x 1,2 m
9. Minikicker 3 x 0,7 m
10. Pipe 19 x 0,9 m + Uprail wall 11 x 1 m
11. Kevin Henshaw One 24 x 2 m + Kicker 5,5 x 1,2 m
12. Funbox 16,5 x 1,65 m + Kicker 5,5 x 1,2 m
13. Jules Charraud Bank (Wall Ride) + Minikicker 3 x 0,7 m



The layout of the features in wake park is still subject to change.



4. Rules

The competition will be run in line with the current published World Cable Wakeboard and Wakeskate discipline rule book.

You can find the rule book and other documents here: [Rulebook 2025](#)

PLEASE BE AWARE THIS COMPETITION IS FOR THE U14, U18, +30, +40 WAKEBOARD AND U18 WAKESKATE CATEGORIES ONLY

AGE RESTRICTIONS

Only riders aged 11yrs + are eligible to ride in the Championships, which means all riders must have reached at least their 11th Birthday by 24th August 2026.

AGE CATEGORIES

U14: (14yrs or Under) Boys & Girls:

The last year a rider is allowed to compete in this category is the year of their 14th Birthday. (For 2026, it means the rider must be born between 2012- 2015,

U18: (18yrs or Under) Junior Men & Women:

The last year a rider is allowed to complete in this category is the year of their 18th Birthday. For 2026, it means the rider must be born between 2008 - 2015

+30: Masters Men & Women:

The first year a rider is allowed to compete in this category is the year of their 31st Birthday. For 2026, It means the rider must born in 1995 or before.

+40: Veterans Men & Women:

The first year a rider is allowed to compete in this category is the year of their 41st Birthday. For 2026, it means the rider must be born in 1985 or before.

To clarify: a rider born in 2015 can compete in U14 or U18. It is the same for +30 and +40: a rider born in 1985 can choose to complete in +40 or +30

RANKING POINTS

Minimum World Ranking Points requirements:

- 800 points for U18 and +30
- 400 points for U14 and +40

on the rolling CWWC World Ranking list on the day the competition starts.

The minimum number of points can be reached by adding points from higher categories, as follows:



- U14 can add points from U18 and Open to be able to start in U14
- U18 can add points from Open to start in U18
- +30 can add points from Open to start in +30
- +40 can add points from +30 and Open to start in +40

Starting 2025, there are changes to the selection of additional riders based on the Wildcard rules. Please follow the 2025 Rulebook.

For this event there will be a minimum of 6 riders required to open a category, except for +30 Women, +40 Men & Women and U18 Wakeskate where 4 riders are required. In both cases, at least three different nationalities will be required to open a category. The organizer will inform all participating Federations as soon as feasibly possible if there are insufficient riders within a category.

5. Accommodation

We are currently negotiating with local hotels to obtain the best financial conditions for the participants of the championship. Information regarding accommodation will be published in Bulletin No. 2 as soon as possible.

6. Transportation

By Plane

Bratislava (BTS) – 10 minutes driving distance from the cable park.

Vienna (VIE) – 45 minutes driving distance from the cable park. There is a bus connection to Bratislava Bus station.

Budapest (BUD) – 2 hours driving distance from the cable park. There is a bus connection to Bratislava Bus station.

Possible pick-ups will be published in Bulletin No. 2

By Train

Train station Bratislava – Main Station.

By Car

Easily accessible on the D1 highway. Exit “Zlate Piesky”. On first traffic lights turn left, follow the street for 100 meters, make a legal U-turn and return to the main street in the opposite direction. In 400 meters turn right and follow the road until you reach the cable.



From Hungary and Austria – after crossing the border, continue direction Zilina. Then leave the highway on exit Zlate Piesky.

The approximate distance to: Budapest - 2 hours, Gyor - 1 hour, Vienna - 45 minutes.

7. Registration

Will be announced in bulletin 2

8. Entry deadline

Will be announced in bulletin 2

9. Entry fee

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10. Liability

The organizer Committee and IWWF E&A will not be liable for any loss or damage to equipment or personal property, and injuries to athletes, officials, judges, official volunteers, and other persons attending official or unofficial programmers during the event. Athletes are required to purchase and show proof of personal accident insurance prior to entry. The insurance policy must provide coverage internationally.

11. Doping control

In accordance with the IWWF Anti-Doping Rules, drug controls will be conducted during the competitions. In entering this competition, all athletes agree to be subject to doping control.

Information about the IWWF Anti-doping program and links to the list of banned substances can be found at: <http://www.iwsf.com/AntiDoping/WEBpageinformation10.htm>

12. Official team training & extra rental hours per country

Will be announced in bulletin 2



13. Provisional schedule

Until 20th August – public riding and rental slots operated by the cable park

Friday 21st - Sunday 23rd August – team trainings

Monday 24th August - Team trainings, public hours, Registration

Tuesday 25th August - Official trainings. Officials' clinic, Opening ceremony

Wednesday 26th – Friday 28th August - Qualification rounds. LCQ, Quarterfinals

Saturday 29th August - Semifinals, Finals. Prizegiving & closing ceremony. Afterparty

Sunday 30th August – Safety day, suggested departure after 16:00

More specified schedule will be published in Bulletin 2.

14. Officials' seminar

Will be announced in bulletin 2



15. Useful information

Slovakia is a member of the European Union, Schengen agreement and Eurozone.

For other Schengen agreement member countries, the entry does not require any specific permit. A valid EU personal ID or Passport are sufficient for travel to Slovakia. Some countries outside the European Union may be subject to visa requirements. For more information please consult the information provided by Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

http://www.mzv.sk/web/en/consular_info

The currency in Slovakia is EURO.

Official language is Slovak, English is spoken quite commonly, German being the second most common.

For driving, there is zero tolerance for alcohol. Speed limits are 50 km/h in town, 90 km/h outside the town and 130 km/h on the highway. Highways require a vignette, that can be bought on all petrol stations.

Minimum drinking age is 18. In case of emergency call 112.

Time zone in Slovakia is Central European Summer Time (CEST, GMT+2). Main electricity voltage is 230V. Socket is standard Euro plug.

Weather during the competition is expected to be warm and sunny with temperatures at or above 30 degrees. Water temperature is expected to be above 20 degrees.

Please use common sense and don't leave your stuff unattended, do not display valuables and electronics in your cars and keep things locked as much as practical. Slovakia, and the venue is generally safe, but events like this attract lots of attention.

16. Safety

All riders must wear an approved life vest and a helmet in the course at all times.

All participants ride at their own risk.

Following is the Declaration, Waiver and Release form that is required for each rider. Riders younger than 18 years are required to provide the Declaration of Parent / Guardian



Declaration, Waiver and Release Form

For, and in consideration of, the International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation (the IWWF) accepting my application, and permitting me, to participate and compete in the International registered cable wakeboard event (the International event), I, the undersigned, for and on behalf of myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby irrevocably and unconditionally warrant, represent and undertake to the IWWF as follows

Any and all information provided and/or disclosed by, or on behalf of, myself to the IWWF (including any officers, employees and representatives thereof) for the purpose of considering and evaluating my application for participation and competition in the International event is true, correct and accurate;

I have fully read and understood the rules and regulations of participation and competition in the International event (a copy of which has been made available to me) and I do hereby covenant with, and undertake to, the IWWF to at all times fully comply with, and abide by, the same;

I am in good physical and mental health and I am physically capable of competing and participating, and fully competent to participate and compete, as a competitor in the International event and that I have not been certified and/or advised otherwise by any qualified medical practitioner;

I do hereby authorize any and all physicians, paramedics and other medical personnel and practitioners procured by, or on behalf of, the IWWF to administer first aid treatment or any medical treatment, surgery or transportation in the event of any illness, accident or injury suffered and/or sustained by me at any time during my participation and competition in the International event (or any part thereof) and hereby indemnify, and shall keep fully and effectively indemnified, the IWWF (including all officers, employees and representatives thereof) upon demand from and against any and all claims, liabilities, demands, costs and expenses of whatsoever nature incurred and/or suffered by the same (or any of them) and arising from, and/or in connection with, the procurement and administration of such medical treatment and transportation in relation to any such illness accident or injury suffered and/or sustained by me; I acknowledge, agree and confirm that participating and/or competing as a competitor in the International event (or any part thereof) involves inherent risks and dangers of accidents, personal and bodily injury and property loss or damage and that by signing and completing this Declaration, Waiver and Release Form, I fully understand and have considered and evaluated the nature, scope and extent of the risks involved, and voluntarily and freely choose to assume these risks;

I hereby grant to the IWWF (including its lawful successors and assigns) the sole and exclusive right and license, in perpetuity and throughout the world and without any compensation whatsoever to me, to use, reproduce, publish and/or exploit, my name, nickname, likeness, image, logos, get-ups, initials, voice, slogan and signatures developed from time to time, reputation, graphical representation, electronic, animated or computer generated representation and any other representation (in any medium whatsoever), right of association, biographical information and other indicia, and any other right or property in my performances, in any media whatsoever, for any purposes whatsoever relating to, and/or in connection with, the IWWF and/or the International event (or any part thereof) and I shall do all such things (including, without limitation, the execution of appropriate legal documentation) as the IWWF may, from time to time, require to give legal and binding effect to the aforementioned grant of rights;

I irrevocably acknowledge, agree and confirm that the IWWF reserves the right, at its sole and absolute discretion, to disqualify me from participation and/or competition in the International event (or any part thereof) if I am in breach of any of the warranties, representations and/or undertakings set out in this Declaration, Waiver and Release Form and/or for any reason whatsoever the IWWF considers just and proper, and in the event of any such disqualification, I shall not be entitled to any compensation of any nature whatsoever from the IWWF.

I hereby release, hold harmless, protect, indemnify and forever discharge the IWWF (including its officers, employees and representatives), the International event and all commercial partners thereof, from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities, costs and expenses of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or consequential, suffered and/or incurred by the IWWF (including its officers, employees and representatives), the International event and/or all commercial partners thereof and arising from, and/or in connection with:

Any breach of any of the warranties, representations and/or undertakings given by me as set out hereunder; and/or my participation and/or competition in the International event (or any part thereof).

Declaration

I, _____ (the Competitor), do hereby declare that I have read and fully understood the terms and conditions of this Declaration, Waiver and Release Form and that I have had the opportunity to discuss the same with my parent / guardian and that I agree to be bound by the said terms and conditions of the above agreement with the IWWF.



Cable Wakeboard International Event

Declaration of Parent / Guardian

(Applicable only if the Competitor is, on the date of signing the Declaration, Waiver and Release Form, under the age of 18 years)

I, the undersigned, am the parent / guardian* of _____ (t
he Competitor) and I do hereby irrevocably and unconditionally:

- 1 warrant, represent and undertake to the IWWF that I have read and fully understood the terms and conditions of the Declaration, Waiver and Release Form and have discussed with, and explained such terms and conditions to, the Competitor and I agree to, and will cause the Competitor to fully abide by, and comply with, all of the terms and conditions of the Declaration, Waiver and Release Form; and
- 2 covenant with, and undertake to, the IWWF not to take, nor permit to be taken, any action(s) nor omit to do anything that would assist or cause the Competitor to invalidate, renounce, negate, revoke or disclaim any part of the Declaration, Waiver and Release Form, and
- 3 warrant, represent and undertake to the IWWF that by signing the Declaration, Waiver and Release Form, neither the Competitor and/or myself is/are in breach of any other arrangement(s) (whether contractual or otherwise) with any third party, and
- 4 agree to be liable for, and will indemnify the IWWF (including its officers, employees and representatives), the International event and all commercial partners thereof from and against, any and all claims, demands, liability, loss, damages, costs, and expenses of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or consequential, suffered and/or incurred by the IWWF, the International event and all commercial partners thereof, whether direct or consequential, any arising from, and/or in connection with:
 - (a) any breach of any of the warranties, representations and/or undertakings given by the Competitor in the Declaration, Waiver and Release Form; and/or
 - (b) the Competitor's participation and/or competition in the International event (or any part thereof).

Signature

Name of Parent / Guardian*:

Date:

Signed in the presence of:

Witness:

Name:

Address:

Occupation:

* Delete as appropriate