



RULES

1. **JUDGING** - Contestants will be judged on how well they bodysurf during their heat. Judges will consider wave selection, quality of takeoff, position in the wave, style of ride, length of ride, maneuvers during the ride, quality of exit, sportsmanship and originality.
2. **SCORING** - Every judge will score each bodysurfer on the rides taken during their heat. A maximum of 10 points can be obtained from each ride. Points for each of the contestants top four waves will be added together to determine their final score. Thus, a maximum of 40 points per judge is possible. In event of a tie totals from the next highest wave (ie. the 5th, etc.) will be examined to determine a winner.
3. **SPORTSMANSHIP** - Sportsmanship will be based on a contestant granting the **RIGHT OF WAY** to another competitor. The first one into a wave rules. Should two people enter a wave at the same time, the one closest to the peak has the right-of-way.
4. **CUTOFFS** - Cutoffs will be harshly judged !!! There will be a mandatory loss of one scoring wave per judge for flagrant cutoffs. Cutoffs will be decided by a majority vote of the judges. Those charged with a cutoff will be scored only on their top three waves. Multiple flagrant cutoffs may result in ejection from the contest.
5. **PIER SHOTS** - No pier shots !!! For safety and legal reasons "shooting the pier". is strictly forbidden. Flagrant violations will result in ejection from the contest.
6. **EQUIPMENT** - Supplementary equipment may include a wetsuit and, or fins for the feet. No other accessory items may be used.
7. **CHECK-IN** - Check-in will be considered closed when the heat involved enters the water. It is the contestants responsibility to Check-In with the Clerk of Course.
8. **CAPS** - The official cap issued by the Clerk of Course must be worn during the competition.
9. **STARTS** - On being instructed to enter the contest area all contestants should promptly swim to a competitive starting position. The heat may be started when a majority of the competitors are ready.
10. **HEATS** - Heats are approximately 15 minutes in length. Time begins at the sound of the starting horn and ends with the sound of the final horn. All competitors in the heat ending must return immediately to shore or face disqualification.
11. **PROTESTS** - Protests over age violations, poor sportsmanship, etc. must be made to the Clerk of Course within 30 minutes after the protested heat is completed. Protest involving scoring or tabulation must be made within 30 minutes of the scores being posted.
12. **TEAM SCORING** - Team scores are determined based upon members placement in their division final: First place = 60 pts., Second = 50 pts., Third = 40 pts., Forth = 30 pts., Fifth = 20 pts., and Sixth = 10 pts. Grand Champion = 10 pts. The highest combined total determines the winner.