Rule 3 – Officials and Assistants

3.06: Harmonisation of Officials Grades

In 2017 WSC has adopted a worldwide unified naming system for Officials' qualifications.
This is needed because at present naming protocols vary from Confederation to Confederation therefore it can be very difficult to establish the homologation level of the competition. This is especially important at multi-national events where officials are drawn from different Confederations. With a common naming strategy, the Homologator would then be able to easily know if the requirements for officials has been met for the homologation level being applied. Only International Officials, sanctioned by their Confederations would be affected.
The World Waterski Council recommends that Confederation Waterski Councils consider adopting the following officials' naming protocol. In any case, please refer to the comparative table below:
There will be 3 levels of Officials:

Level 1 (top Grade: E&A Judge, Pan Am Judge etc….).

Level 2 (Senior etc….)

Level 3 (National, Regional etc……)

In addition, there will be:
Level 2* grade and Level 3* grade.
Level 2* and Level 3* are the equivalent of Level 2 or Level 3 but these officials are qualified in 1 or 2 events. **Level 1 Judges** will be subject to periodic re-evaluation and or testing by peers in order to retain their qualifications. The test will be prepared and taken under World Waterski Council supervision. If they do not 'pass' re-evaluation, they are automatically downgraded to Level 2.
As there is generally only one Scorer and one Homologator at a competition, standards need to be stringent. Homologators at "CP", Pro and Titled Events must be Level 1. Scorers must be Level 1 at Titled

Events and minimum Level 2 at "CP" and Pro events. ~~Only Level 1 Scorers and Homologators will be permitted to work at Cash Prize, Elite or Titled events.~~

Example for Judges

Level 1 = Can officiate at Record Capability, Rankings List, World and Confederation Events.

Level 2 = Can Officiate at "R", "L", Confederation Events, and World Events by exception.

Level 3 = Can officiate at Rankings List competitions.

H2* = Permitted to work at "L" events or "R" (only tricks) in their own country only. Not qualified for "R" slalom and Jump competitions or for Cash Prize or Titled events. No need to speak English.

Note: This Rule is a work in progress document, any updated will be posted on **http://www.iwsf.com/**

Harmonization of Officials Grades Chart

Level 1 Judge (J1)	Asia Judge
	E&A Level 1
	Oceania Level 1
	Pan Am Judges
Level 1 Homologator (H1)	HI (Asia)
	Oceania Level 1
	E&A Level 1
	Pan Am Homologator
Level 1 Scorer (S1)	International Calculator (Asia)
	Oceania Level 1
	E&A Level 1
	Pan Am Scorer
Level 1 Driver (D1)	E&A Level 1
	Oceania Level 1
	Pan Am Driver
Level 2 Judge (J2) - (J2*)	Senior Judge (Asia)
	Oceania Level 2
	E&A Level 2
	Senior Judge (Latino)
	Senior International (USA - CAN)
Level 2 Homologator (H2)	H2* Senior Homologator (Asia)
	Oceania Level 2
	H2* E&A Level 2
Level 2 Scorer (S2) - (S2*)	Senior Scorer (USA)
	Oceania Level 2
Level 2 Driver (D2) - (D2*)	Oceania Level 2
	International 2 events (Pan Am)
	Senior Driver (USA)
Level 3 Judge (J3) - (J3*)	Regular Judge (USA)
	Oceania Level 3
	E&A Level 3
Level 3 Homologator (H3)	Oceania Level 3
	E&A Level 3
Level 3 Scorer (S3) - (S3*)	Regular Scorer (USA)
	E&A Level 3
Level 3 Driver (D3) - (D3*)	Regular Driver (USA)
	E&A Level 3