



## **FLYBOARD® NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES 2014**

### **COMPETITION REGULATIONS**

#### **COMPETITION AREA**

The competition is organized on Lake Ontario, in a sheltered area perfect for competing in calm waters. The competition area will be in a rectangle of 100 meters by 50 meters delimited by buoys. The competition area will run 100 meters long parallel with the waterfront, by 50 meters back from the waterfront. The competition area will begin approx. 10 meters from the waterfront. A floating dock in a sheltered area will serve as the launching/parking area and will allow competitors to gear up and take off from both sides.

#### **COMPETITION PLANNING**

All competitors receive a 1:30 min qualifying run. At the end of each qualifying run the jury gives a score to each competitor. The top 16 competitors will qualify for the next round and are seeded based on their qualifying score in their respective hen. Each hen is made up of two competitors.

Hens are determined as follows: the competitor with the highest score and the competitor with the lowest score will compose the first hen, and so on.

For each competition stage, competitors will challenge the Pilot in his hen and will be judged individually by the jury. The current standings are given during the briefing. The competitors with highest scores in their hen will qualify for the next stage while the lower scores will be eliminated.

#### **GENERAL RULES AROUND SHOWMANSHIP AND PROPS**

In order to strengthen our sport and elevate it to a world class level, the use of props, costumes or accessories (capes, masks, hats, etc) will be prohibited and use of such items will result in disqualification. If the Pilot or team has any question regarding the use of acceptable item, they should present it to the jury prior to the start of the competition. The jury will not evaluate items once the competition has started. If you feel you need to bring an item to the jury's attention, it is probably considered a prop and will not be allowed. Pilots should be prepared to participate in wetsuits, as well as board shorts, swim trunks, life vests, competition vests, compression garments, helmets, gloves and booties. Colors and designs of these



items are not restricted. The use of a lifevest is mandatory and the use of a helmet is optional. Props and costumes are highly recommended for after the competition during the group flight and the costume competition.

## SCORE SYSTEM

The competitors will be judged by a jury composed by 5 professionals made up of members from France, USA, Mexico and Canada, who will assign points according to the following criteria:

- ✓ The variety of figures (execution height, technical difficulty and innovation)
- ✓ Implementation of figures (quality, success, sequences)
- ✓ The competitor's style (position, attitude, facial expression, performance of the show)
- ✓ Competitors energy (number of figures, execution speed, execution rhythm)
- ✓ The artistic side (use of space, choreography, look, NO PROPS)

## DISQUALIFICATIONS

Any competitor whose PWC goes out of the perimeter during the demonstration will receive a yellow card. If it occurs a second time, the competitor will receive an elimination red card.

If the competitor puts the hose across the nose of the PWC in front of the mirrors, he incurs no penalty. If the competitor puts the hose over the PWC behind the mirrors, bucks the PWC driver off, or rocks the ski onto its side but not upside down, the competitor receives a yellow card penalty and a point deduction. He may immediately continue the run. If the PWC flips upside down at anytime, the competitor will receive a red card and be disqualified.

## EQUIPMENT

During the competition and exclusively during the stages (no training sessions), the following equipment will be available for each competitor:

- Flyboard Pro-rider 2013/2014 (without hand stabilizers) + EMK + Shoes S/M - L/XL

In the case where the competitor wants to use his own equipment, the Pilot will have to bring the following items:

- Original Board 2013/2014
- Shoes of his choice
- « Y » 2013 (ref. FB02B01)
- EMK 2013 (only the trigger)



## **THE PROGRESSIVE STAGES OF COMPETITION**

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

**34 competitors – individual run – time limit: 1.30 min**

Each competitor will run individually in front of the jury where they will have to present a minimum of 5 tricks in a time limit of 1.30 min. The jury gives a score to each Pilot and at the end of this qualifying stage, the first 16 Pilots will qualify for the next round and are seeded in their respective hen.

### **8th OF FINAL**

**16 competitors – 8 hens – time limit: 2:30 min**

The 16 competitors will be grouped in eight hens (2 competitors per hen). The competitors will be divided according to the scores they obtained during the qualification round.. Each competitor will have 2:30 minutes to present the maximum number of tricks and convince the jury.

The scores are reordered from this stage.

### **QUARTERFINAL**

**8 competitors – 4 hens – time limit: 3 min freestyle**

### **SEMI FINAL**

**4 competitors – 2 hens – time limit: 4 min freestyle**

### **FINAL**

**2 competitors – individual run – time limit: 5 min freestyle**

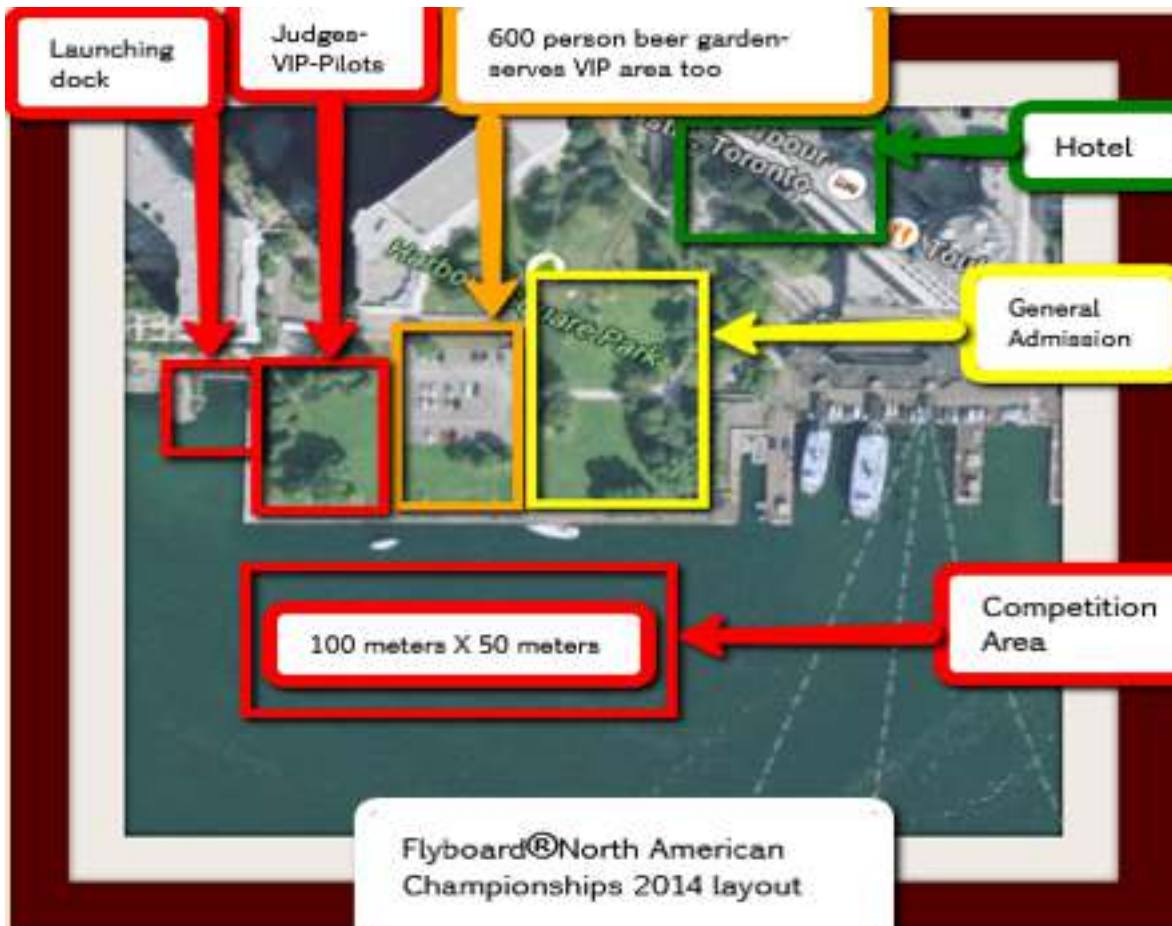
During the final stage, the two finalists will face each other in a 5 minute challenge where each competing Pilot will have the ability to use supporting music of their choice should they choose to do so. Once the final 4 have been determined, each competitor is asked to please submit their music should they wish to fly to it during the finals. Music is not mandatory.

**\*\*\*The best performance will determine The Flyboard® North American Champion.\*\*\***





### MAP OF THE COMPETITION AREA



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