

SENIOR CRITERIA 26/27



**NAUTIQUE WATER SKI
WORLD SERIES**

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The 2026-2027 Nautique Water Ski World Series is a 5 stop, 3-event water ski series that awards points for placement at each individual tournament and serves as the primary qualifying series for invitation to the sport's most illustrious event: The Nautique Masters Water Ski & Wakeboard Tournament, presented by GM Marine, May 28-30, 2027.

Nautique Boat Company is committed to actively shaping the future of 3-event waterskiing inclusive of Junior, Pro and Senior competitors. The Junior division will now include athletes under the age of 21, allowing a wider range of young skiers to compete on the world stage. The Senior division will be exclusive to slalom in the ProAm events, with the Senior Men's division open to athletes aged 35 and older, and the Senior Women's division including athletes aged 45 and older. These modernizations provide greater access and recognition across generations, ensuring the sport's growth for years to come.

SENIOR DIVISION CRITERIA:

NEW FOR 2026-2027 *The Nautique Water Ski World Series will include a Senior Division for both men and women at the three Pro Am slalom events.* The Senior Men, over 35, will compete at 55k, and the Senior Women, over 45, will compete at 52k. *Men must be 35 years of age or older on December 31, 2025, and women must be 45 years of age or older on December 31, 2025, to compete.

Senior competitors of the below 3 tournaments will earn points for placements in their pursuit to be crowned the Senior Nautique Water Ski World Series Champion.

- 2026 Senior Botaski ProAm | June 25 - June 28, 2026
- 2026 Senior Rocky Mountain ProAm | July 30 - August 2, 2026
- 2026 Senior California ProAm | August 28 - 30, 2026

SENIOR DIVISION COMPETITION STRUCTURE:

The Senior division will have 2 rounds of competition for all competitors. Round 2 will be re-seeded using Round 1 scores. The final placements will be awarded to the highest performances in round 2. Competitors in the Senior divisions will earn points for placements at the three Pro Am slalom events. The overall points leaders from the Nautique Water Ski World Series Ranking List, after combining all three stops on the Nautique Water Ski World Series, will earn an exclusive VIP retreat weekend to the 2027 Masters Water Ski & Wakeboard Tournament.

PLACEMENT	POINTS	PLACEMENT	POINTS
1st	100	19th	18
2nd	90	20th	17
3rd	80	21st	16
4th	75	22nd	15
5th	70	23rd	14
6th	65	24th	13
7th	60	25th	12
8th	55	26th	11
9th	51	27th	10
10th	47	28th	9
11th	43	29th	8
12th	39	30th	7
13th	35	31st	6
14th	31	32nd	5
15th	27	33rd	4
16th	23	34th	3
17th	20	35th	2
18th	19	36th	1

SENIOR TIE RULES:

2026-2027 Nautique Water Ski World Series

Stop #1 Tie Breaker Rule:

1. If a tie exists in the final round for first place, the tie will be run off.
2. All other ties in the final round will be broken by the highest score from the first round.
3. If a tie still exists, the skiers will each receive the points for the placement they are tied for.

Stop #2 and beyond Tie Breaker Rules:

1. All ties for first place will be run off.
2. All other ties will be broken first by the 2026-2027 Nautique Water Ski World Series Ranking List – the skier with the highest placement in the most recent event receives the higher placement points.
3. If a tie still exists, the tie will be broken first by the highest score from the first round.
4. Finally, if a tie still exists, the skiers will each receive the points for the placement they are tied for.

Series Championship Tie Breaker Rule - The season series championship for the Nautique Water Ski World Series Ranking List will be determined by combining all points from all the events in the series. In case of a tie for the first place:

1. The first tiebreaker is the skier who took home the most 1st place finishes.
2. The second tiebreaker is the skier who has the most 2nd place finishes.
3. The third tie breaker is the skier that finishes highest at the final event.

SENIOR DIVISION COMPETITOR CAPS:

Senior Men Slalom: 12 Senior Women Slalom: 8

SENIOR WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS PAY-OUT:

Senior Series Champions will be honored with an exclusive VIP weekend at the 2027 Masters Water Ski & Wakeboard Tournament, providing a unique opportunity to celebrate their achievements alongside the world's top athletes.

