

2021 WATER WALKER MEMBERSHIP PACKET



Are you and your family looking for a fun summer activity? Love spending time on the water and catching a few rays? Then the Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team might be right up your alley! A family friendly team atmosphere is what makes the Water Walkers unique.

We have skiing members ranging in ages from 3 to 60 and they all ski in our shows! There are not many organizations where you can join as a family and everyone can participate. Even if water skiing isn't quite your thing, there are plenty of ways to get involved! We can always use help in our concession stand, on the dock, in the boats, and selling tickets.

We perform public community shows on Tuesdays on Lake Wausau and Thursdays on Lake DuBay. We typically have a team practice on Mondays and a specialized practice on Wednesdays, all of which are voluntary participation.

2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT – Joe Nagrant (jnagrant88@gmail.com)

The President has the esteemed mission of leading the team, being responsible for the administration of Board, facilitate the team motor sponsor program, and pursuing a continued betterment of the team as a whole.

TREASURER – Scott Gokey (sdgokey@hotmail.com)

The Treasurer is responsible for the execution and recording of all money spent and income earned, keeping accurate financial statements and books, and tracking the team budget.

SHOW DIRECTOR – Janelle Nagrant (live2showski@hotmail.com)

The Show Director is tasked with the development of show production, promoting club exposure in the community, and providing organization at all team practices and shows.

SECRETARY – Lauren Leurquin (laurenleurquin@outlook.com)

The Secretary keeps record of all meetings and distribution as necessary, organizes yearly Board of Directors elections, and heads membership coordination.

SAFETY COORDINATOR – Claire Brooks (claire.e.brooks@gmail.com)

The Safety Coordinator is responsible for maintaining qualified boat personnel at all skiing functions, coordinating boat driving and safety clinics, and has final authority to enforce safety protocol.

SITE AND EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR – Scott Gokey (sdgokey@hotmail.com)

The Site and Equipment Coordinator maintains all ski sites, storage unit, and all equipment owned or used by the team as well as coordinating dock and jump installation and removal.

SKIER REPRESENTATIVES – Jessica Wittock (jwittock86@yahoo.com) and Jason Engel (jasonengel28@gmail.com)

The Ski Reps represent the team as a whole on the Board, resolve grievances and disputes, and promote good team morale and positivity.

WATER WALKER MEMBERSHIP COMPONENTS

Per team rules and bylaws, all 4 components must be completed prior to participation in your first show.

1. WATER WALKER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

All members, skiers and volunteers, must fill out membership paperwork (pages 6-9 of this packet). Families can be on the same form but please include all members that will potentially ski or volunteer. Membership packets will be available at any practice, will be provided via email to be printed, or can be completed via our online form:

<https://forms.gle/9zZm17Ljn5h8VxN97>

2. WATER WALKER TEAM DUES

Team dues are required by all skiers (not volunteers). These dues help provide funds to keep us on the water.

Individual Skier: \$100

Family (3+ skiers living in same household, children under age 25): \$230

Pay to Play Format: each skier pays \$5 to participate in a show or on-water practice (up to the total full dues amount (\$100 for an individual or \$230 for families))

*This option allows you flexibility on payments and participation.

Dues will be accepted in person via cash or checks payable to CWWSSST. Dues can also be paid online with a credit or debit card at <https://water-walkers.square.site/product/membership/1?cs=true&cst=custom>

3. WISCONSIN WATER SKI FEDERATION MEMBERSHIP

This membership is part of the state water ski organization. Having WWSF is a great way to support the sport here in Wisconsin and is a necessity for anyone participating at state, including skiing (individually or with the team) or volunteering.

Individual (18 or older): \$15

Family (up to 6 members including children under 18, living in the same household)*: \$30

Lifetime Individual: \$250

This can be completed online at <https://www.joinit.org/o/wwwsf>.

If you are a new member, once on the home screen, scroll down to view membership options. Click the green "Join" button and fill out info.

If you are a returning member, sign into your account in the top right of the home screen. Once logged in, click the green "Renew" button and fill out info.

*Family Memberships: Please put ALL members of your family on the form since it is very difficult to add later if needed. Family memberships require an email for each member of your family. You may re-use the same email for more than one member of the family. If you require more than 6 in your family membership, use the Membership Services contact form located on the WWSF website to make your request.

<https://www.waterski.org/contact/membership-services.html>

4. USA WATER SKI MEMBERSHIP

USA Water Ski is a national governing body of which the Water Walkers are an affiliated club. Membership, which includes insurance, is a Water Walker requirement. This includes all skiers, boat drivers, spotters, dock help, announcers, sound technicians, etc. The Water Walker bylaws dictate that anyone under 16 years of age (as of June 1) must have a guardian with USA Water Ski membership as well. The membership is good for 365 days (from the date you register). You may renew your existing membership prior to expiration and it will renew on the date of expiration (i.e., You will not lose days by renewing early). Your membership must be current in order to participate in any practice or show. Sign up/renew online at <https://www.usawaterski.org/members/join/>

Active Membership: anyone who goes over the jump, drives a boat, or participates at the state tournament

Under 25 years old: \$55

Adult: \$85

Family (up to 6 members residing at the same address, children under 18)*: \$175

Grassroots Membership: anyone not going over the jump, driving a boat, and not participating at state tournament

All Ages: \$40

It is possible to upgrade from Grassroots to Active or from individual to family later/after signing up but it takes some time and effort. If you have questions about which membership to get, please ask.

*Family Membership: if you require more than 6 memberships, please contact USA Water Ski directly at 863-324-4341 or memberservices@usawaterski.org



This QR code provides access to all necessary links.

ATHLETIC WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in The Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team's programs and related events and activities, I, as the adult member and/or guardian of a minor member:

1. Agree that prior to participating, they each will inspect the facilities and equipment to be used; and if they believe anything is unsafe, will immediately advise a board member or other adult team member of such conditions and refuse to participate.
2. Acknowledge and fully understand that each participant will be engaging in activities that involve risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and severe social and economic losses which might result not only from their own actions, inactions or negligence, but the actions, inactions or negligence of others, the rules of play or the condition of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, that there may be other risks not known or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
3. Assume all foregoing risks and accept responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability or death.
4. Release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue the Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team, it's affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, board members, and other employees of the organization, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event, all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releases", from any demands, losses or damages on account of injury, including death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by negligence of the releases or otherwise.
5. Understand that all team memberships will expire on the last day of the calendar year.
6. Understand that all members are required to be affiliated with USA Water Ski and register for insurance purposes with an active or grassroots USA Water Ski membership, paid for by the member.
7. Agree to abide by all rules and regulations of The Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team, as set forth in the rules and regulations, code of conduct, and bylaws.

ADULT AND PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct gives everyone a guide as to what is expected if we are part of an organization, participating in a sport, or as spectators.

By signing the acknowledgement page, I, as an adult team member or the parent of a minor team member, agree that:

1. I will encourage **good sportsmanship** by demonstrating positive support for all skiers and volunteers at every practice and show.
2. I will promote a **safe and respectful environment** and will encourage my child and other skiers to do so as well.
3. I will **inform those in authority** of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of myself, my child, or the safety of others.
4. I will remember, and will teach my child, that doing one's best is important, however, I will **place the emotional and physical well-being of myself and/or my child ahead of my personal desires** for their achievements.
5. I will **never ridicule** or yell at my child, other participants, or volunteers for making a mistake.
6. I will do my best to make skiing fun and I will remember that I, my child, and other team members participate in **skiing for their own enjoyment and satisfaction**.
7. I and my child will treat all skiers, volunteers, board members, and audience members with **respect**, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation, or ability.
8. I will **applaud a good effort**, emphasizing positive accomplishments and learning from the mistakes.
9. I will, and will encourage my child to, **resolve conflicts** without resorting to hostility or violence.
10. I will be a **positive role model** for my child and other skiers.
11. I will demand a skiing environment for myself and my child that is **free of drugs**, and agree that I will not use or provide to a third party any drug prescribed by the applicable federal, state, or municipal law.
12. I will **not provide alcohol** to, or condone the use of alcohol by, minors or abuse alcohol in the presence of skiers.
13. I will respect those in authority and will **refrain from coaching my child or other skiers** during practices because it may conflict with the show director's plan or strategies.
14. I will recognize the **importance of volunteering and show appreciation for other volunteers** and club officials.
15. I will **respect the volunteer Board of Directors** and refrain from criticizing their actions. However, I understand that I can address the Board of Directors directly via e-mail, phone, or at a board meeting.
16. I will not compare myself or my child's skill level or number of show acts to other skiers on the team.

*Concerns regarding the Adult and Parent Code of Conduct may be addressed in writing to the Board of Directors.

RULES AND EXPECTATIONS OF ALL MEMBERS

*The following rules may or may not be part of the official team bylaws but have been approved by the Board of Directors.

1. All team members will participate in team practices, shows, and tournaments to the best of their abilities as a skier or a volunteer.
2. During the ski season, all members are required to volunteer and contribute off the water. During the off-season, members are expected to participate in the team fundraiser(s).
3. Team members are responsible for payment of their own USA Water Ski and Wisconsin Federation dues.
4. Any member under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or designated adult at all club functions, including practices and shows, at all times.
5. All applications are subject to approval and possible background check by the Board of Directors of the Water Walkers prior to becoming a member and participating in any club function.
6. All members are expected to display good sportsmanship and respect for all people at all times.
7. All members are to be a positive role model for fellow team members and the community.
8. Members are expected to display caution and care for all equipment owned by the team, self, or others.
9. All members are expected to volunteer and participate in fundraising, promotional activities, and other team activities.
10. Members shall follow all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, ordinances, and policies, and assume consequences by the authorities and/or team for non-compliance.
11. No team member shall be present or participate in team activities under the influence of any mind altering substance including alcohol. Under the influence is defined as detectable level of substance, or if participation would be a risk or danger to themselves or others.
12. No member shall use or encourage use of any amount of alcohol, drug, or controlled substance to any member under legal age, regardless of whether it is a team activity or not.
13. Smoking will not be permitted by anyone under legal age, or by anyone in boats or skier areas.
14. Unauthorized or improper use of equipment (team or individual) will not be tolerated. Team equipment may not be used by an individual outside of an approved scheduled team practice or show unless properly approved and signed out.
15. Non-members shall never be allowed in boats nor in equipment storage or staging areas during ski functions.
16. Those without active USA insurance shall not actively participate in shows, practices, be in team boats, or on team dock.
17. Team boats may be used only during approved scheduled practice, show, or team activity.
18. Proper floatation shall be used for all designated water ski acts, as per Safety Coordinator instruction and/or current law or USA Water Ski guidelines.
19. Reckless conduct and behavior shall result in removal of member privileges.
20. Any unsportsmanlike conduct by team members and/or behavior causing a negative impact on the team may be penalized at the discretion of the Board.
21. Notify the show director ASAP via Sign Up Genius or in writing if you will be absent from a show. Special circumstances will be taken into consideration.
22. The Show Director has final authority of show line up. Other members are not to change the show board without authorization from the Show Director.
23. The Safety Coordinator has final authority regarding safety during shows and practices.
24. Show acts will be towed by the boat that fits the flow of the show, not by skier's boat preference.
25. Members shall demonstrate and promote safe practices and responsible behavior on and off the water.
26. Any grievance by a member shall be resolved in the manner laid out by the team bylaws.
27. Members will abide by the bylaws of the Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team which have been made available to me via email and on the team website.

If rules are violated:

A written, documented, and signed allegation shall be presented before the Board of Directors. The Board shall vote to determine the consequences. The Board, by majority vote, may determine the next course of action. The Board is given full and final authority to select the best course of action. Membership suspension and termination will be executed as per the team bylaws.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

☐ **Individual Membership**

One skier over the age of 16 (as of June 1)
Check if you are the only person joining
from your family.

☐ **Family Membership**

Two or more members of the same family, spouses
and/or parents/guardian and children, under the
age of 25, all living in the same household.
Check if at least one family member is skiing.

☐ **Volunteer Membership**

Any number of family members that are
not skiing but joining as volunteer
members only.
Check if no family member is skiing.

Payment Options: ☐ Individual Pay In Full

☐ Family Pay In Full

☐ Pay to Play

MEMBER INFO – For family memberships, please list the main adult contact person/head of household here.

Name (First and Last): _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Goals for 2021 Season (Personal or Team): _____

ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS – if more than 6 family members, please list on back

1. Name (First and Last): _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

If applicable - Email: _____ Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Goals for Season: _____

2. Name (First and Last): _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

If applicable - Email: _____ Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Goals for Season: _____

3. Name (First and Last): _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

If applicable - Email: _____ Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Goals for Season: _____

4. Name (First and Last): _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

If applicable - Email: _____ Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Goals for Season: _____

5. Name (First and Last): _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

If applicable - Email: _____ Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Goals for Season: _____

☐ **NEW MEMBER(S)**

☐ **RETURNING MEMBER(S)**

How did you hear about us? _____

What year was your first season? _____

Why do you want to join the Water Walkers?

How did you contribute last season off the water?

Applicant (or Head of Household) Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return application to:

CWWSST – Attn: Secretary – PO Box 245 – Mosinee, WI 54455

Or directly to Lauren (team Secretary) or via email LaurenLeurquin@outlook.com

The Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team offers equal membership opportunities regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability, or gender. All adult applications may be subject to a background check in order to ensure the safety of members and integrity of the organization.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

Whereas, the undersigned are the adult member, father, mother, or legal guardian responsible for this/these participants and/or myself.

I do hereby give authorization and consent to any properly licensed physician and/or any of their associates or other physicians they deem to be in the patients best interest to engage, to perform any and all medical/surgical procedures which these physicians, in their sole discretion, deem to be in the best interest of the injured party.

I authorize Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team's officers, agents, or volunteers to drive myself or my child to the physician, dentist, or hospital if a need for emergency care exists. I understand that an ambulance may be called if necessary.

It is further understood this consent and authorization shall remain in full force and effect for one calendar year. This information will be kept in the equipment trailer as well as in an online database.

MEMBER NAME: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Allergies: _____ Medications: _____

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Allergies: _____ Medications: _____

*If more than 6 members in the family, please list on back side.

Preferred Hospital: Aspirus Marshfield Clinic Ascension No Preference Other: _____

Preferred Dentist: _____

For Minor's:

Mother/Guardian Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Father/Guardian Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Other Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____

Member/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

*This information will be kept in the equipment trailer as well as in an online database. This information must be signed prior to participating with the club.

COVID-19 EVENT QUESTIONNAIRE AND WAIVER RELEASE

*For more information USA Water Ski COVID updates and resources, visit their website here:

<https://www.teamusa.org/usa-water-ski/covid19-resources>

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (USA-WSWS) is dedicated to protecting the health and safety of our members.

I attest that I am not experiencing any symptoms of illness such as a fever, cough, or shortness of breath. If I develop these symptoms, I agree that I will leave the event premises immediately. I am aware that I must follow the safety and hygiene protocols of the event organizer.

I attest that:

- I have not traveled internationally in the past 14 days.
- I have not traveled to a highly impacted area within the United States in the past 14 days.
- I do not believe that I have been exposed to a person with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19.
- I have not been diagnosed with COVID-19 or have been cleared as noncontagious by state or local public health authorities.
- I am following recommended guidelines as much as possible - practicing social distancing, trying to maintain separation of six feet from others, and otherwise limiting my exposure to the coronavirus.

I understand, acknowledge and assume the risks and dangers associated with participation in the sport of water skiing, wake sports and related water sport disciplines and activities, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease (including COVID-19), permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life; loss of or damage to equipment/property; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; contact with other participants, spectators, boats, animals or other natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from adverse weather conditions; imperfect ski course conditions; water and surface hazards; equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations unknown to or beyond the immediate control of the Event Organizers; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks"). I understand that these Risks may be caused in whole or in part by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Event(s), or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses which I incur as a result of my participation in the Event.

Member Name: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

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Member Name: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Member Name: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Signature of Participant or Parent/ Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TEAM RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

By initialing, I understand and acknowledge the following statements:

- _____ During the ski season, all members are required to volunteer and contribute off the water. During the off-season, all members are expected to participate in the team fundraiser(s).
- _____ Members are responsible for payment of their own USA Water Ski and Wisconsin Water Ski Federation dues each year which must be fulfilled prior to skier's first practice.
- _____ Any member under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or designated adult at all club functions, including practices and shows, at all time.
- _____ All applications are subject to approval and possible background check by the Board of Directors of the Water Walkers prior to becoming a member and participating any club function.

By signing below, I acknowledge that **I, myself, have read and have read with my children and family members,** understand, and agree to adhere to the rules and expectations of the Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team. I/we agree to abide by all of the bylaws of the team. I/we have read the membership handbook in its entirety and know what is expected of me as a member. I/we understand that if I/we violate these rules and regulations, membership may be suspended or terminated as outlined by the team bylaws.

Member/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ATHLETIC WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Athletic Waiver and Release of Liability Form of the Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team.

Member/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADULT AND PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to the Adult and Parent Code of Conduct of the Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team.

Member/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____