

# **South Carolina Water Ski Hall of Fame**

## **Procedures for Election of Members**

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(All dates and numbers are suggested and subject to change)

### **I. Purpose of Hall of Fame**

The purpose of the South Carolina Water Ski Hall of Fame (HOF) is to recognize individuals who have contributed to the growth and sustainment of the sport of water skiing in the State of South Carolina and those from the State who have demonstrated outstanding achievements in the sport.

### **II. Criteria for Selection of HOF Members\*<sup>1</sup>**

Factors to be considered in determining eligibility for the HOF include the following:

- Sportsmanship, integrity and character
- Records and placement in Collegiate, State, Regional, National and International Championships, as well as special invitational tournaments
- Service to the sport as an official or tournament host
- Contribution to the growth of the sport (example: teaching and mentoring skiers)
- Length of involvement in and service to the sport

After the first year, HOF selection committee members shall not be eligible for selection during their term of committee service.

### **III. Selection and Composition of HOF Selection Committee**

Beginning in the first year and each year thereafter, there will be five SCWSF HOF committee members chosen to serve on the HOF selection committee. These board members can serve multiple terms.

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<sup>1</sup> May include posthumous nominations

The five board members for the HOF selection committee will be chosen by the SCWSF Board of Directors at the yearly SC State Tournament.

The five board members on the HOF selection committee will select a chair for the committee at the SCWSF mid-winter meeting.

In addition to the five SCWSF board members, individuals who have been inducted into the HOF will be included on the selection committee for as long as they choose to serve. A maximum of 5 additional HOF inductees may participate (a total of 10 committee members).

#### **IV. Nomination and Election of HOF Inductees**

The chair of the HOF selection committee will solicit nominations with a deadline of March 1 each year from the SCWSF membership (and any HOF members).

Nominations for the HOF must be made in writing by a member of the SCWSF or, after the first year, by any HOF member. Nominations must include a written rationale for induction, including how the nominee has met one or more of the stated criteria for selection.

The chair of the HOF selection committee, by April 1 each year, will provide all committee members with a copy of all nominations received along with a ballot on which committee members may vote yes or no to each nominee.

Committee members must return ballots to the chair of the HOF selection committee by June 1 of each year. Ballots received after this date will not be counted. Ballots may be received by US mail or electronically through email.

To be elected to the HOF, a nominee must always receive a yes vote from a majority of committee members casting ballots. If no nominee receives a yes vote from a majority of committee members casting ballots, no nominee will be elected that year.

In the first year, if more than ten nominees receive a yes vote from a majority of the committee members, the ten nominees with the highest number of yes votes will be selected for the HOF.

After the first year, only the two individuals with the highest number of yes votes will be selected for the HOF.

The chair of the HOF selection committee will notify all those elected to the SC Waterski HOF by June 1 each year and provide those elected with information on when and where the induction ceremony will be held.

The induction ceremony for those elected to the SC Waterski HOF will generally be held in conjunction with the SC State Championships and summer meeting.

#### **V. Changes to These Procedures**

Any recommendations for changes to these procedures will be made at the mid-winter meeting of the SCWSF and voted on by the SCWSF members by a majority vote.