

TO: American Kneeboard Association Clinicians

FROM: Officials and Driver's Training Committee

DATE: Open

SUBJECT: Official's Development Program

Thank you for the enthusiasm and initiative you have showed in volunteering to organize and conduct an AKA Officials and Drivers Clinic.

The number of people, both aspiring and upgrading, who have expressed interest in joining our team of officials, excites us. Your numerous impromptu mini seminars at events and socials about the sport of kneeboarding have apparently paid off. The number of officials is growing.

The AKA feels that it is important that all aspiring officials have a basic understanding of tournament management. Therefore clinicians should do a presentation of "Section 1 GENERAL" prior to the specific clinic materials relating to judging, scoring, or driving.

Clinicians may opt to present clinic materials on a projection screen or TV. When this type of presentation is conducted the only hard copy printouts required for attendees are the scorers work sheet, the judges self tests, and the drivers self tests. Clinicians may copy the Development Program CD and distribute one per attendee.

When conducting a renewal clinic it is not necessary to cover the "Section 1 GENERAL" in detail. A clinician should familiarize his or herself with any new policies, procedures, or rules adopted by the AKA and conduct a question and answer period with clinic attendees. Please refer to the latest edition of the AKA Rulebook when conducting a clinic. A review of "Section 1 GENERAL" would be beneficial to attendees working on quantitative requirements for maintenance or for upgrading.

Thank you for your time and efforts in working with aspiring officials and those upgrading individual ratings.

*The Officials and Drivers Training Committee*