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MEMORANDUM of UNDERSTANDING

Subject: Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation Surfing Contest Scheduling Policy for Kewalo Basin Park Ocean Waters

The Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation, Oahu District, has established the following procedures used in letting Ocean Use Permits for surfing contests/events in the ocean waters off Kewalo Basin Park.

This policy applies only to the four surf breaks commonly referred to as:

1. (The) Point
2. Rennicks
3. Straight Outs
4. Marineland

1 There shall be a maximum of eight (8) surf contests or promotional events in a calendar year permitted in the ocean waters designated above with a maximum of 4 to be held at the Point. The remaining 4 may be held on any of the remaining breaks.

2 Contests and events will not be scheduled during legal federal and/or state holidays.

3 All contests and events shall not exceed two consecutive days in length, with the exception of the NSSA Hawaii Regional Event.

4 There shall be no holding periods or alternate dates for surfing events.

5 Events shall not be scheduled back-to-back meaning no consecutive weekends. (maximum of 2 per month with an 8 per year cap.)

6 If an event is a 1 day event, the event can start at 7:30am and can end no later than 5:00pm.

7 If a two day contest can finish in one day, the organizer will contact the Friends of Kewalo at least one week prior to the event to see if they can run the event from 7:30am to 4:30pm on the 1st day so that the surf spot will be open to the public the next day. If there is an agreement by both parties, the organizer will contact the Oahu District office at least a week prior to the event to amend the application to show the longer hours and that the event is now only 1 day.

8 If there is a 2 day event, the times to run will continue to be from 8:00am to 4:00pm.

9 Kewalo Basin Park ocean waters shall not be used as an alternate site.

10 The name of the contest and organization will be written on the application and all signs put up for the contest will read the same as the application.

11 Contests will only be held from March to October each year.

12 All eight (8) permits will be issued and dates decided at the annual letting of permits meeting to be held at the beginning of the surfing season. Each year a meeting date and location will be set by mutual agreement between the surfing contest organizers and the department. No additional surfing contest permits will be issued for the rest of that year. The finalized list of permitted surfing contests/events shall be posted on the department's web site.

These guidelines only apply to the stated ocean recreation areas in paragraph 2 above and in no way restricts contest or event activities at adjacent surfing areas.

The division has entered into a good faith, non-binding agreement with all parties in this matter. These eight guidelines are not to be construed as rules and the division is not bound by them as such. The division shall, however make every effort to abide them and encourage all parties to do the same.

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