

2020 Rip Curl Gromsearch presented by Banzai Bowls

Regional Qualifiers to National Final at BSR Surf Resort, Waco, Texas - October 10

Regions: West Coast, USA + Canada
Hawaiian Islands
East Coast, USA + Texas + Puerto Rico

Divisions: Boy's 16 & Under
Girl's 16 & Under
Boy's 14 & Under
Boy's 12 & Under

How it Works:

Step 1: Choose your region, division, and register (it's free).

Step 2: Enter two separate single rides by video footage (based on rules listed below) prior to entry deadline Aug 15th.

- Ensure each wave as a separate clip.
- Each athlete will need to enter under their own profile/login.

Step 3: RCGS National Final Qualifiers announced September 1st via Instagram @ripcurl_usa.

Entry Rules

Cost: Free to enter.

Regions: You can only enter one region, both video clips must be filmed from that region (your region is where your wave was surfed, not where you are from).

Region Example: You live in Hawaii, but spending time in California, you submit your waves from Lower Trestles into the West Coast Region. You are then surfing in the West Coast + Canada Region, and cannot submit waves into the Hawaii Region.

Division: You can only enter one division, ages are set as of January 1st, 2020.

Video Clips: Performance surfing only, each clip must be entered separately, no music, and regular motion (no slow motion). Please aim to enter wave from take off until wave is fully complete.

Labeling Your Entry: You must title each ride with surfer's name, wave location/region, and the date wave was surfed.

Swapping Entries: You may swap out a wave for a new wave by deleting an entry to repopulate with a new entry prior to deadline.

Waves: You may submit two rights, two lefts, or a combination of one right and one left.

Wave Pools: Will not be permitted. Ocean surfing ONLY allowed for submission.

Wave Assist: Tow-in's, Tow-at's, Step-Offs, or any type of PWC assist will not be permitted for entry.

Competition Clips: Clips entered from previously surfed competitions from 2020 will be accepted.

Video Quality: Any camera quality is allowed; home video camcorder, iPhone, Surfline Camera Rewind, etc. However, clear quality is preferred.

Video Clip Timeframe: Must be filmed anytime from Jan 1st, 2020 to Aug 15th, 2020.

Video Clip Deadline: Must be submitted on or before Aug 15th 11:59pm (region time zone).

Judges: Each wave reviewed and judged on 0.1-10 point system based on WSL Short Board judging criteria. Your combined score will be your 'Heat Score out of maximum 20 points.'

Results & Leaderboard: Revealed Sept 1st, 2020.

Judging Panel:

Bill Seitz (from West Coast)- WSL North America Head Judge and CT judge

Dave Shipley (from Hawaii)- Former WSL CT judge and WSL CT Women's head judge

Jeremy Saukel (from East Coast)- WSL judge

Video Waiver Rights: By entering you give Rip Curl rights free use of video footage you submitted of your entry to be used at Rip Curl's discretion.

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RCGS Qualifier Info:

- Winners qualify for the National Final (specific numbers TBD).
- RCGS NF is a single day event, with two practice days available on October 8th and 9th.
- RCGS will provide a practice round free for competitors the morning of the event.
- RCGS will offer practice days at a reduced BSR event rate on Oct 8th and 9th.
- Event Prizing TBD.
- You must confirm or decline your participation in the event by September 8th.

Questions: Contact Matt Myers, matt.myers@ripcurl.com

Disclaimer: Per CDC/WHO/Local, State, and National Guidelines Rip Curl reserves the right to cancel GromSearch National Final if deemed unsafe for its competitors.