

Report of the Rules Committee
September 25, 1992

Meetings of the rules committee were held on September 23, 24 and 25 1992. Members present were June Krauser, Leo Letendre, Catie Cooper, ~~Daniel~~ Diehl, Ted Haratz, Janet Kranadas, Bobbie Turcotte, Carolyn Boak, Margaret Stannard and Bill Hall (September 24 and 25).

The committee received 89 proposed rule ammendments which are listed in the convention booklet. Of these ammendments

- 17 items were recommend for approval
- 13 items were recommend for approval as ammended
- 56 items were rejected
- 3 items were tabled pending the outcome of the USS meeting

The accompanying score sheet details the recommendations of the committee.

Those recommend for approval as amended are the following:

R 22 102.4 Change title, number current .1 Add a new section .2
p20 102.4 WARM-UP/WARM-DOWN AVAILABILITY
.1 Availability - If there ...
.2 Procedure - Swimmers must enter the pool feet first in a cautious manner, with at least one hand in contact with the pool deck or gutter. Diving shall be permitted only from the blocks in the designated sprint lanes.

R 23 102.7 Amend
p21 ENTRY FEES - Entry fees for local Masters events shall be set by the LMSC. Entry fees for regional championships cannot exceed fees specified for National Championship Meets in Article 104.5.4 D. A surcharge of up to \$5.00 per swimmer may be charged at local and regional meets to help defray pool use fees and/or automatic timing costs.

R 27 102.10.1 E Amend
p22 D Delete this section
E The 1000/1650 yard and 800/1500 meter freestyle events my be seeded differently than the events of a shorter distance (e.g., distance events may be seeded fast to slow in meets where shorter events are seeded slow to fast). Seeding at meets other than National Championship Meets may be either fast-to-slow or slow-to-fast. Seeding may differ for sprint and distance events (events 400 yards or longer) within a meet. Women's and men's heats may be alternated in the distance events. The meet announcement shall state the seeding for these all events.

R 34 103.1.1 Add the following sentence and delete 102.15.2 A on page 27
p30 The Referee or designated official making a disqualification shall make every reasonable effort to seek out the swimmer or his coach and inform him of the reason for the disqualification.

- 47 103.10.3 Delete present chart and replace with the following
39 Timing Method Official Time Level
- Automatic Timing - World Records ...
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- ~~Manual electronic or~~
Three watches or manual-
electronic with three
buttons - World Record and USMS National
Records
- Initial splits and relay lead-off
times for World Records only
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- Two watches or manual-
electronic with two buttons - USMS Top Ten Times
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- 50 104.1.1 Amend
40 .1 Short Course National Championship Meet Dates - Men's and women's short
course (25 yards) National Championship Meet, which shall be held
between April ~~15~~ 1 and May 31.
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- 65 104.5.4 B 4. Amend
46 4. Relay entry cards - On the relay card, relay teams must list the name
of the registered swim club and the full name (as it appears on the
USMS registration card), the age, and ~~for mixed relays the sex~~ the meet
ID number of each member. The age group of the relay team may be
changed up to the relay check-in deadline.
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- 66 104.5.4 C 1. Amend
66 1. Individual Entry deadline - The deadline for receipt of entries for the
National Championship Meets shall be not more than 35 days prior to the
first day of competition.
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- 69 104.5.5 A 4 Amend
46 4. Events ~~over longer than 200 yards/meters, except for the 1000/1650 or~~
~~800/1500 meters, may be pre seeded per Article 104.5.5 A 3, 5, 6 and 7~~
~~or may be deck seeded by time only as in Article 104.5.5 A 5.~~ may be
deck seeded by one of the following methods: a) by entry time only, b)
by age group first, then by time, or c) by a combination of a) and b).
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- 72 104.5.6 C 1 & 2 Amend Club Scoring by Division
48 1. Division I - Clubs with more than 16 entrants for short course
championships or more than 12 entrants for long course championships in
either the women's or men's categories will fall into Division I for
that category. Clubs with more than 32 entrants for short course
championships or more than 24 entrants for long course championships in
the combined category will fall into Division I.
2. Division II - Clubs with 16 or fewer entrants for short course
championships or 12 or fewer entrants for long course championships in
either the women's or men's categories will fall into Division II for
that category. Clubs with 32 or fewer entrants for short course
championships or 24 or fewer entrants for long course championships in
the combined category will fall into Division II.