

1 **USA SWIMMING RULES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE**

2 **AMENDMENTS TO THE 2004 RULES& REGULATIONS**

3 **APPROVED BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

4 **September 18, 2004**

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7 **R-1 ACTION: Adopted as amended**

8 **Location:** Page 22 101.6 RELAYS

9 **Effective:** **January 1, 2005**

10 **101.6 RELAYS**

11 **.3 Rules Pertaining to Relay Races**

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14 D. Any relay team member and his/her relay team shall be disqualified from a race if a team member
15 other than the swimmer designated to swim that leg ~~shall jump into or enters~~ the pool in the area
16 where the race is being conducted before all swimmers of all teams have finished the race. Exception:
17 When an in-the-water start is required or such start is approved by the Referee.
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22 **R-2 ACTION: Adopted as amended**

23 **Location:** Page 22 101.6 RELAYS

24 **Effective:** **January 1, 2005**

25 **101.6 RELAYS**

26 **.3 Rules Pertaining to Relay Races**

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29 G (new) In relay races involving in-the-water starts, the team of a swimmer who has lost touch with the
30 end of the course before his/her preceding teammate touches the wall shall be disqualified, unless the
31 swimmer in default returns to the original starting point at the wall.
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36 **R-3 ACTION: Adopted**

37 **Location:** Page 31 102.12 OFFICIALS

38 **102.12 OFFICIALS**

39 **.3 For all swimming meets or time trialsand judge the order of finish.**

43 *No change in list except for the last item, as follows:*
44 Marshal(s) (number determined ~~as required~~ by the LSC)

46 **.4 Minimum Number of Officials Required for Dual Meets**

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48 *No change in list except the following:*
49 Marshal(s) (number determined ~~as required~~ by the LSC)

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R-4 ACTION: Adopted as amended

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53 **Location:** Page 38 102.16.4 Requirements for Official Time

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55 **Effective:** January 1, 2005

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57 **102.16.4 Requirements for Official Time**

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59 B. Timing Resolution – All timing systemswith no rounding.

PRIMARY TIMING SYSTEM	USE OF OFFICIAL TIME
62 LEVEL 1 63 Automatic Timing 64 for all purposes.	- World, American and U.S. Open Records; - Initial distance splits and relay lead-off times
65 66 LEVEL 2 67 Semi-Automatic 68 With 3 buttons	- NTVs for 50m distances in a 50m pool; - National age group records; - National reportable times for 50m distances in a 50m pool.
69 70 LEVEL 3 71 Semi-Automatic with 72 2 buttons, or 73 Manual with 3 watches	- NTVs, except for 50m distances in a 50m pool; - National reportable times, except 50m distances in a 50m pool; - LSC and other local records, unless prohibited by the LSC; - Initial distance splits and relay lead-off times for age group time standards (A, B, C times, etc.)
74 75 LEVEL 4 76 Manual with 2 watches	- Zone, Regional, or LSC sponsored meet time standards, unless Timing System Level 3 is specified; - Age group time standards (A, B, C times, etc.)

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R-6 ACTION: Adopted

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83 **Location:** Page 71 207.7 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDUCT OF USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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85 **207.7 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDUCT OF USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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87 **.3 Credentials** – Credentials for national championships will be provided at no charge for participating athletes
88 and officials who are members of USA Swimming. Credentials for coaches, managers and chaperones to

89 serve as admittance passes to national championships shall be issued to those persons listed on the
90 submitted team roster forms and according to the following schedule and is based upon the total size of
91 the team. There shall be a surcharge of ~~\$10.00~~ \$20.00 per person for spectator passes, which money shall
92 become the property of the meet host.

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R- 7 ACTION: **Adopted**

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95 **Location:** Page 71 207.7 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDUCT OF USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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97 **207.7 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDUCT OF USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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99 .3 **Credentials** – Credentials for national championships will be provided per person for
100 spectator passes, which money shall become the property of the meet host. For clubs that wish to bring
101 one certified massage therapist with their teams, a \$50.00 surcharge will apply if the massage therapist
102 exceeds the deck pass formula below. These funds shall become the property of the meet host. All
103 massage therapists must be members of USA Swimming in the Sports Medicine category.

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R- 8 ACTION: **Adopted**

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106 **Location:** Page 71 207.7 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDUCT OF USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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108 **207.7 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDUCT OF USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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111 and officials who are members of USA Swimming. Credentials for coaches, managers and chaperones to
112 serve as admittance passes to national championships shall be issued to those persons listed on the
113 submitted team roster forms and according to the following schedule and is based upon the total size of
114 the team.....*no further change in paragraph*)

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A 1-3 swimmers in individual events, or 1-only relay team with any number of alternates: 1 deck
116 pass; 1 spectator pass.

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B 4-~~9~~ 6 swimmers in individual events: 2 deck passes; 1 spectator pass.

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C (new) 7-9 swimmers in individual events: 3 deck passes; 1 spectator pass.

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(Redesignate existing paragraphs C through I as D through J, respectively.)

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R-9A ACTION: **Divided:** (A) Deletion of ‘yards’ references – **Adopted**

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124 **Location:** Page 75 ff. ARTICLE 207 USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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126 **207.8 PROGRAMS**

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128 .2 Four-Day (Modified) Program

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130	Day One	Women's	1000-yard /800-meter freestyle
131		Men's	1000-yard /800-meter freestyle
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133	Day Two	Women's	100-yard /meter freestyle
134		Men's	100-yard /meter freestyle
135		Women's	200-yard /meter breaststroke
136		Men's	200-yard /meter breaststroke
137		Women's	200-yard /meter backstroke
138		Men's	200-yard /meter backstroke
139		Women's	200-yard /meter butterfly
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142	Day Three	Women's	200-yard /meter freestyle
143		Men's	200-yard /meter freestyle
144		Women's	400-yard /meter individual medley
145		Men's	400-yard /meter individual medley
146		Women's	400-yard /meter freestyle relay
147		Men's	400-yard /meter freestyle relay
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149	Day Four	Women's	100-yard /meter backstroke
150		Men's	100-yard /meter backstroke
151		Women's	500-yard /400-meter freestyle
152		Men's	500-yard /400-meter freestyle
153		Women's	100-yard /meter breaststroke
154		Men's	100-yard /meter breaststroke
155		Women's	100-yard /meter butterfly
156		Men's	100-yard /meter butterfly
157		Women's	800-yard /meter freestyle relay
158		Men's	800-yard /meter freestyle relay
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160	Day Five	Women's	200-yard /meter individual medley
161		Men's	200-yard /meter individual medley
162		Women's	1650-yard /1500-meter freestyle
163		Women's	50-yard /meter freestyle
164		Men's	50-yard /meter freestyle
165		Men's	1650-yard /1500-meter freestyle
166		Women's	400-yard /meter medley relay
167		Men's	400-yard /meter medley relay

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169 A & B (no change)

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171 C The 800-meter/~~1000-yard~~ on day one shall be conducted on a timed final basis.....(no further change
172 in section).

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174 D The 500-meter/~~1650-yard~~ freestyle events on Day 5 shall be conducted during the preliminaries on a
175 timed final basis,(no further change in section)

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177 (1), (2), (3), (4) - no change

178 (5) In the event of an unequal number of women's and men's heats, the excess slow heats
179 will be swum first, then the remaining heats will be swum as indicated in (1) through
180 (4) above.

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182 The starting time for each preliminary heat shall be scheduled so that the second fastest heat of
183 the men's 1500-meter/~~1650-yard~~ freestyle is concluded 60 minutes before the evening finals
184 session is scheduled to begin.
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R-10 ACTION: **Adopted**

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188 **Location:** Page 75 ff. ARTICLE 207 USA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS
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190 **207.8 PROGRAMS**

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192 .2 Four-Day (Modified) Program
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194 **Day Three**

195 Women's 200-yard/meter freestyle
196 Men's 200-yard/meter freestyle
197 Women's 400-yard/meter individual medley
198 Men's 400-yard/meter individual medley
199 Women's ~~400~~ 800-yard/meter freestyle relay
200 Men's ~~400~~ 800-yard/meter freestyle relay
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202 **Day Four**

203 Women's 100-yard/meter backstroke
204 Men's 100-yard/meter backstroke
205 Women's 500-yard/400-meter freestyle
206 Men's 500-yard/400-meter freestyle
207 Women's 100-yard/meter breaststroke
208 Men's 100-yard/meter breaststroke
209 Women's 100-yard/meter butterfly
210 Men's 100-yard/meter butterfly
211 Women's ~~800~~ 400-yard/meter freestyle relay
212 Men's ~~800~~ 400-yard/meter freestyle relay
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R-11 ACTION: **Adopted**

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216 **Location:** Page 82 207.12 QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS
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218 **207.12 QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS**
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220 .1 USA Swimming spring championship and National Championship qualifying time standards will be
221 determined from performances at the respective spring and summer championship meets for all swimmers
222 and may be based on world rankings so that they will be of comparable quality for all events. The time
223 standard formulas shall be established by the Championship Time Standards Committee in consultation
224 with the National Team Director. Time standards shall be designed to allow 900-1000 swimmers in
225 individual events at the USA Swimming spring championship and the National Championship. ~~Time~~
226 ~~standards shall be designed to allow for 1000-1200 swimmers in individual events at the USA Swimming~~
227 ~~National Championship.~~
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R-12 ACTION: **Adopted**

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231 **Location:** Page 82 207.13 PROOF OF ENTERED TIME
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233 **207.13 PROOF OF ENTERED TIME** -- Procedures for obtaining proof of time shall conform to the current edition
234 of the USA Swimming National Times Database Handbook. Verifications shall be issued only for official times
235 achieved in accordance with the requirements of 102.16.4. ~~Individuals must request a verification for their~~
236 ~~fastest qualifying times achieved during the qualifying period for the championship season.~~
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R-13 ACTION: **Adopted**

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240 **Location:** Page 105 ARTICLE 303 ELIGIBILITY
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242 **NOTE:** *Website designations may be revised to reflect current relevant sites at the time the*
243 *rulebook is finalized..*
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245 **303.3** As a member National Governing BodyThe USOC has designated the United States
246 Anti-Doping Agency (“USADA”) as that organization. The current anti-doping rules of the USOC, FINA and
247 USADA are available at the offices of USA Swimming or on line at the following websites:

- 248 FINA www.fina.org
249 USOC www.usoc.org
250 USADA www.usantidoping.org

251 *(No further change in section)*
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253 **303.4** *Delete this entire section.*
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255 *Renumber existing 303.5, 6 and 7 to 303.4, 5 and 6 respectively, and change references in 304.3.2.*
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R-14 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 107 ff. ARTICLE 304 CODE OF CONDUCT

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304.3 The following shall be considered violations of the USA Swimming Code of Conduct:

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.13 Action, other than through general advertising, by a coach, owner, officer, volunteer, representative, or employee of a swim club, or a USA Swimming or LSC employee, either through direct contact with an athlete or the encouragement of others, to recruit or otherwise encourage an athlete who is already a member of a USA Swimming member swim club to compete for or become a member of the swim club with which the acting party is affiliated, unless the acting party receives prior written approval to recruit or encourage the athlete from the coach of the athlete's existing USA Swimming-member swim club or contact is initiated by the athlete, the athlete's parent or authorized representative. General advertising includes any information that is:

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A. distributed to an identifiable general population where there is a reasonable expectation that the majority of that population are not current members of USA Swimming, or

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B. placed in or on any item that is sold.

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R-15 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 109 ARTICLE 403 JURISDICTION

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403.1 JURISDICTION OF THE LSC – In ~~these~~ matters involving ~~only~~ a member or members of only one LSC, those matters arising in regional or zone competition and any complaint alleging violations of Articles 304.3.12 ~~11~~ through 304.3.15 inclusive of the USA Swimming Code of Conduct to the National Board of Review pursuant to Article 407 hereof.

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403.2 JURISDICTION OF USA SWIMMING

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.1 **Original and Exclusive Jurisdiction** – The National Board of Review has original and exclusive jurisdiction to hear:

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A *(No change)*

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C any complaint under Articles 304.3.1 through 304.3.14 ~~10~~ against any member of USA Swimming, in the affairs of USA Swimming; or

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(no further change in article)

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R-19 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 122 504.9 Meetings

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504.9 Meetings Meetings of Board of Directors of such notice.

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.1 The presence of a majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Ex Officio Directors will not be counted to establish a quorum. Proxy voting is not permitted.

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R-20 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 130 508.2 General Financial Procedures

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508.2 General Financial Procedures The Treasurer shall supervise the preparation of the USA Swimming annual budget by the Executive Director and staff and shall be responsible for presenting such budgets to the Board of Directors for approval and to the House of Delegates for adoption at the USA Swimming annual meeting. The Treasurer shall prepare an annual financial report to be presented to the House of Delegates at the annual meeting ~~and oversee the USA Swimming Controller and accounting staff who shall on behalf of USA Swimming receive all moneys due USA Swimming and deposit same to accounts in the name of USA Swimming; pay any bill approved by the Executive Director, a duly authorized corporate officer or by the Board of Directors.~~ If requested by the USA Swimming Board of Directors or auditors, the Treasurer and the USA Swimming ~~Controller~~ Managing Director of Financial Affairs shall deliver to the requesting party all money, accounts, books, papers, vouchers and records pertaining to the accounts of USA Swimming or the office of the Treasurer for audit or other purposes.

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R-21 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 139 ff. APPENDIX 6-D DESCRIPTION OF LSC BOUNDARIES

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**APPENDIX 6-D
DESCRIPTION OF LSC BOUNDARIES**

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ADIRONDACK – That portion of New York State east ~~and north~~ of the counties of Oswego, Onondaga, Cortland, and Broome; and north of the counties of Sullivan, Orange and Dutchess ~~counties.~~

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ALASKA – State of Alaska.

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ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN – ~~All counties in~~ That portion of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania west of the counties of Potter, Clinton, ~~Center-Centre,~~ Huntingdon and Bedford ~~Counties;~~ ~~Counties of Marshall, Brook, Ohio and Hancock in~~ the counties of Hancock, Brook, Ohio and Marshall in the State of West Virginia; and ~~Counties~~ the counties of Columbiana, Jefferson and Belmont ~~and Jefferson in~~ the State of Ohio.

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ARKANSAS – State of Arkansas, and Bowie County, Texas.

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ARIZONA – State of Arizona.

BORDER – ~~The Counties~~In the State of Texas, the counties of El Paso, Hudspeth, Culberson, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Brewster, Terrell and Crockett ~~in the State of Texas.~~

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA – ~~Counties of~~In the State of California, the counties of Merced, Mariposa, Mono, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Kern and Inyo ~~(except, excluding the city~~ City of Bishop and the community of Mammoth Lakes), ~~Mono, Kern and Merced in the State of California.~~

COLORADO – State of Colorado, ~~except the Burlington and Wray Swim Teams in Kit Carson County~~

CONNECTICUT – State of Connecticut.

FLORIDA – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* That portion of the State of Florida east of the Apalachicola River and including Gulf County, except for the counties of Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and the part of Hendry east of Route 833.

FLORIDA GOLD COAST – ~~Counties~~In the State of Florida, the counties of Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and ~~that the~~ part of Hendry County East east of Route 833 ~~in the State of Florida.~~

GEORGIA – State of Georgia, ~~and the Counties of~~ Chambers and Russell, counties in the State of Alabama.

GULF – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* That portion of the State of Texas bounded on the north by and including the counties of Shelby, Nacogdoches, Angelina, Houston, Leon and Robertson; and on the west by and including the counties of Brazos, Grimes, Waller, Fort Bend, Wharton, Colorado and Matagorda.

HAWAII – State of Hawaii, ~~the five islands, Oahu, Hawaii, Maui, Kauai, and Molokai.~~

ILLINOIS – State of Illinois, except ~~St. Clair,~~ the counties of Calhoun, Greene, Jackson, Jersey, Monroe, Madison, St. Clair, Monroe, Jackson and Vermillion ~~Counties.~~

INDIANA – ~~All of~~ State of Indiana, except Floyd, and Clark ~~Counties~~ counties, and including Vermillion County, Illinois.

INLAND EMPIRE – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* That portion of the State of Idaho north of and including Idaho County; and that portion of the State of Washington east of and including the counties of Okanogan, Chelan, Kittitas, Yakima, and the part of Klickitat east of Highway 97 and including the City of Goldendale.

IOWA – State of Iowa, except the ~~following~~ counties: of Lyon, Osceola, Sioux, O'Brien, Plymouth, Cherokee, Woodbury, Ida, Monona, Crawford, Harrison, Shelby, Pottawattamie, Mills, Montgomery, Freemont; and Page.

KENTUCKY – ~~The State~~ Commonwealth of Kentucky, ~~(except the counties of~~ (except the counties of Campbell, Kenton and Boone; ~~Counties)~~ and including Floyd and Clark ~~County,~~ counties in the State of Indiana.

LAKE ERIE – In the State of Ohio, the ~~Counties~~ counties of Tuscarawas, Seneca, Crawford, Erie, Huron, Richland, Lorain, Ashland, Cuyahoga, Medina, Wayne, Summit, Lake, Geauga, Portage, Stark, Tuscarawas, Ashtabula, Trumbull; ~~and Mahoning, Summit and Wayne.~~

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LOUISIANA – State of Louisiana.

MAINE – State of Maine.

MARYLAND – State of Maryland, ~~(except the counties of Montgomery and Prince George's)~~ counties.

METROPOLITAN – That portion of New York State south of and including the counties of Sullivan, Orange and Dutchess Counties.

MICHIGAN – State of Michigan.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC – That portion of the State of New Jersey, south of Trenton and Mercer County and Monmouth counties; all of the State of Delaware; and that portion of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, east of and including the counties of Potter, Clinton, CenterCentre, Huntingdon and Bedford Counties.

MIDWESTERN – State of Nebraska, ~~except the Counties of Scottsbluff, Sioux, Dawes, Sheridan, Bos Butte, Garden, Morrill, Deuel, Cheyenne, Banner, and Kimball counties of Sioux, Scotts Bluff, Banner, Kimball, Dawes, Box Butte, Morrill, Cheyenne, Sheridan, Garden and Deuel; and the following Counties in the State of Iowa: including the counties of Lyon, Osceola, Sioux, O'Brien, Plymouth, Cherokee, Woodbury, Ida, Monona, Crawford, Harrison, Shelby, Pottawattamie, Mills, Montgomery, Fremont; and Page in the State of Iowa.~~

MINNESOTA – State of Minnesota, ~~except for Polk and Pennington Counties, counties; and Counties including the counties of St. Croix, Dunn and Pierce in the State of Wisconsin.~~

MISSISSIPPI – State of Mississippi.

MISSOURI VALLEY – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* In the State of Missouri, the counties west of and including Schuyler, Adair, Macon, Randolph, Audrain, Callaway, Cole, Moniteau, Morgan, Benton, Hickory, Polk, Greene, Christian and Taney; the State of Kansas; Texas County, Oklahoma; and Hansford County, Texas.

MONTANA – State of Montana, ~~except the Counties of Dawson and Wibaux counties.~~

NEW ENGLAND – The states of New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

NEW JERSEY – That portion of the State of New Jersey, north of and including Mercer and Monmouth Counties counties.

NEW MEXICO – State of New Mexico.

NIAGARA – That portion of New York State west of and including the counties of Oswego, Onondaga, Cortland and Broome Counties.

NORTH CAROLINA – State of North Carolina, ~~except the counties of Pasquotank, Camden, and Currituck and Pasquotank.~~

NORTH DAKOTA – State of North Dakota, ~~the Counties of Dawson and Wilbaux counties in the State of Montana, and the Counties of Polk and Pennington counties in the State of Minnesota.~~

444 **NORTH TEXAS** – That ~~part portion~~ of the State of Texas west of the counties of Hardeman, Foard, Knox,
445 Haskell, Jones, Callahan, Brown, Mills and Lampasas; and north of the counties of ~~bounded on the South but~~
446 ~~not including the counties of Callahan, Brown, Mills, Lampasas, Bell, Milam, Robertson, Leon, Houston,~~
447 Angelina, Nacogdoches and Shelby; and excluding Bowie County, on the East by the State of Louisiana, State
448 of Arkansas and the County of Bowie, Texas; on the North by the State of Oklahoma and the county of Bowie,
449 Texas and on the West by the counties of, but not including Hardeman, Foard, Knox, Haskill and Jones in the
450 State of Texas.

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452 **OHIO** – State of Ohio, ~~(except the counties of Seneca, Crawford, Erie, Huron, Richland, Lorain, Ashland,~~
453 Cuyahoga, Medina, Wayne, Summit, Lake, Geauga, Portage, Stark, Tuscarawas, Ashtabula, Trumbull,
454 Mahoning, Columbiana, Jefferson, Belmont, Washington and Lawrence; Summit, Wayne, Belmont, Lawrence,
455 Washington, Jefferson and Tuscarawas); and including the counties of Campbell, Kenton and Boone Counties in
456 the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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458 **OKLAHOMA** – State of Oklahoma, except ~~the County of Texas~~ County.

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460 **OREGON** – State of Oregon, except Malheur County; and in the State of Washington, the following counties
461 of Washington: Cowlitz, Clark, Skamania, and the Portion-part of Klickitat County west of Highway 97,
462 excluding the City of Goldendale.

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464 **OZARK** – That portion of the State of Missouri east of and including the following counties: of Scotland,
465 Knox, Shelby, Monroe, Ralls, Pike, Montgomery, Osage, Miller, Camden, Dallas, Webster, Douglas and
466 Ozark; and the Counties-counties of Calhoun, Greene, Jackson, Jersey, Madison, St. Clair, and Monroe and
467 Jackson in the State of Illinois.

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469 **PACIFIC** – In the State of Nevada, the counties of Lyon, Douglas, Carson City, Storey, and the part of Washoe
470 lying south of the northerly boundary of the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation; and in the State of California, the
471 counties The California Counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Lake, Sonoma, Napa, Marin, Contra
472 Costa, San Francisco, Alameda, San Mateo, Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito,
473 Monterey, Tuolumne; and Alpine, and the portions-parts of: Solano County and Sacramento counties south of
474 Highway 12, including the communities of Vallejo and Benicia and excluding the communities of Fairfield,
475 Suisun City; and Rio Vista; Sacramento County south of Highway 12; San Joaquin County west and south and
476 west of the line created by Highway 12; to Interstate 5; to Eight Mile Road; to Highway 99 and to Highway 4;
477 including the City of Stockton; Stanislaus County and Calaveras counties south of Highway 4, Calaveras County
478 south of Highway 4; and El Dorado County East-east of Highway 89; and the city-City of Bishop in Inyo
479 County; and the community of Mammoth Lakes in Mono County; and the Nevada Counties of Lyon, Storey,
480 Douglas, Carson City, and the portion of Washoe County lying south of the northerly boundary of the Pyramid
481 Lake Indian Reservation.

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483 The Solano Community College pool in Solano County and any pool between Eight Mile Road and Hammer
484 Lane in San Joaquin County shall be available for the use of the Pacific Swimming LSC and Sierra Nevada
485 Swimming LSCs and their respective club members, and both LSCs may sanction swimming events at these
486 pools under their own rules and regulations.

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488 **PACIFIC NORTHWEST** – That portion of the State of Washington; west of-but not including the counties of
489 Okanhogan, Chelan, Kittitas and Yakima Counties; and north of-but not including Cowlitz; and Skamania and
490 Klickitat Counties-counties.

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492 **POTOMAC VALLEY** – ~~All territory within the District of Columbia, counties of Montgomery and Prince~~
493 ~~George’s counties in the State of Maryland; the District of Columbia; and the counties of Arlington and Fairfax~~
494 ~~counties and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church in the Commonwealth of Virginia.~~

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496 **SAN DIEGO-IMPERIAL** – San Diego and Imperial ~~Counties, counties in the State of~~ California.

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498 **SIERRA NEVADA** – In the State of Nevada, the counties of Humboldt, Pershing, Churchill, Mineral, Lander
499 and the part of Washoe lying north of the northerly boundary of the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation; and in
500 the State of California, the counties ~~The California Counties~~ of Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen,
501 Tehama, Plumas, Glenn, Butte, Sierra, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, and Amador; and the
502 portions parts of: Solano ~~County~~ and Sacramento counties north of Highway 12, including the communities of
503 Fairfield, Suisun City and Rio Vista and excluding the communities of Vallejo and Benicia; ~~Sacramento County~~
504 north of Highway 12, San Joaquin County north and east of the line created by Highway 12, to Interstate 5, to
505 Eight Mile Road, to Highway 99 and to Highway 4, excluding the City of Stockton; Stanislaus ~~County~~ north of
506 Highway 4; ~~Calaveras County~~ and Calaveras counties north of Highway 4; and El Dorado County west of
507 Highway 89; and the Nevada Counties of Humboldt, Mineral, Churchill, Pershing and Lander, and the portion
508 of Washoe County lying north of the northerly boundary of the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation.

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510 The Solano Community College pool in Solano County and any pool between Eight Mile Road and Hammer
511 Lane in San Joaquin County shall be available for the use of the Pacific Swimming LSC and Sierra Nevada
512 Swimming LSCs and their respective club members, and both LSC-s may sanction swimming events at these
513 pools under their own rules and regulations.

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515 **SNAKE RIVER** – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* The State of Idaho south of Idaho
516 County; the counties of Elko, White Pine and Eureka in the State of Nevada; and Malhuer County in the State of
517 Oregon.

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519 **SOUTH CAROLINA** – State of South Carolina.

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521 **SOUTH DAKOTA** – State of South Dakota.

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523 **SOUTH TEXAS** – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* That portion of the State of Texas
524 bounded on the west by and including the counties of Val Verde, Sutton and Schleicher; on the north by and
525 including the counties of Menard, Mason, Llano, Burnet, Lampasas and Bell; and on the east by and including
526 the counties of Milam, Bureson, Washington, Austin, Fayette, Lavaca, Jackson and Calhoun.

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528 **SOUTHEASTERN** – *[Delete existing wording and substitute the following:]* State of Tennessee; the State of
529 Alabama, except Chambers and Russell counties; and that portion of the State of Florida west of the
530 Apalachicola River, excluding Gulf County.

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532 **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA** – ~~Including~~ In the State of California, the counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa
533 Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Orange, and Riverside and Santa Barbara, all within the State
534 of California; and in the State of Nevada, the counties of Clark, ~~Esmeralda~~, Lincoln, and Nye and Esmeralda;
535 all within the State of Nevada.

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537 **UTAH** – State of Utah.

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539 **VIRGINIA** – ~~State Commonwealth~~ of Virginia, except ~~the Counties~~ of Arlington and Fairfax counties and the
540 cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church; and including the ~~Counties~~ counties of Pasquotank, Camden, and
541 Currituck and Pasquotank in the State of North Carolina.

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WEST TEXAS – ~~All that part~~ That portion of the State of Texas bounded on the south ~~side~~ by and including the counties of Reeves, Pecos, Crane, Upton, Reagan, Irion, Tom Green, Concho, McCulloch and San Saba; on the west by the State of New Mexico and by and including Loving and Winkler counties; on the north by Hansford County and the State of Oklahoma; and on the ~~East~~ east by the State of Oklahoma, and by and including the counties of Hardeman, Foard, Knox, Haskell, Jones, Callahan, Brown; and Mills; ~~and San Saba in the State of Texas, except the County of Hansford.~~

WEST VIRGINIA – ~~All of the~~ State of West Virginia, ~~except the Counties~~ counties of Hancock, Brook, Ohio and Marshall; ~~also~~ and including Lawrence and Washington ~~Counties~~ counties in the State of Ohio.

WISCONSIN – State of Wisconsin, except ~~Counties~~ the counties of St. Croix, Dunn and Pierce.

WYOMING – State of Wyoming; and the counties of Sioux, Scotts Bluff, Banner, Kimball, Dawes, Box Butte, Morrill, Cheyenne, Sheridan, Garden and Deuel in the State of Nebraska. ~~Scottsbluff, Sioux, Dawes, Sheridan, Box Butte, Garden, Morrill, Deuel, Cheyenne, Banner, and Kimball.~~

R-23 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 158 709.8 TEAM EVENTS

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.5 ~~Swimmers may compete in only one team event in each championship. When participating concurrently in individual and team events, no participant shall compete in more than two team events, one of which may be as a member of his/her gender-specific team and the other as a member of a mixed-gender team.~~

R-24 ACTION: **Adopted**

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Location: Page 158 709.10 NATIONAL OVERALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

709.10 NATIONAL OVERALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

.1 ~~Annually, one USA Swimming Open Water Club Champion shall be determined and awarded according to the following procedures:~~

.2 ~~Standings for the USA Swimming Open Water Overall Club Championship will be determined annually using 16 place scoring. Points earned by individual club members in the USA Swimming Open Water National Championships shall be accumulated to determine the ranking in the overall club championship competition. To be eligible, a club must have its members score points (top sixteen places) minimally at two different distances in at least two separate USA Swimming National Open Water Championships.~~

584 **709.11 10 AWARDS**

585 ~~.5 Following the last USA Swimming Open Water Championship event each calendar year, USA~~
586 ~~Swimming Open Water National Overall Club Championship awards shall be given to the highest~~
587 ~~placing club, the runner up club and the third place club.~~

588 *Renumber existing .6 to .5*

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R-25 ACTION: Adopted

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592 **Location:** Page 159 709.11 AWARDS

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594 **709.11 AWARDS**

595 ~~.4 Based on points earned in the Individual Championships USA Swimming Club Championship Awards~~
596 ~~shall be given to the top three clubs in the men's and women's competitions and to the top club in the~~
597 ~~combined men's and women's competitions at all USA Swimming Open Water Championships where~~
598 ~~the following criteria are met:~~

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600 A Men's or Women's - In order for awards to be given within a specific gender, that gender shall
601 have a minimum of 16 competitors from at least three clubs starting the race.

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603 B Combined – To be eligible for this award, a club must have scored points in both the men's and
604 women's races, and there must have been a minimum of three clubs participating in each
605 gender's race.

NEW LEGISLATION (Required 90%)

R-26 ACTION: **Adopted**

Location: Page 124 506.3 OLYMPIC INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

506.3 Olympic International Operations Committee

.2 There shall be a maximum of fifty (50) members in the Committee elected or selected as follows:

C. The President of USA Swimming, the Program Operations Vice President, the Technical Vice President, and the National Steering Committee shall be members of the Committee;

.7 The Committee is responsible for all and develop budget ~~for approval by the Program Operations Vice President.~~

R-27 ACTION: **Adopted**

Location: Page 149/156 ARTICLE 704 CONDUCT OF THEIR COMPETITION/EVENTS

704.6 THE RACE

.5 Swimmers shall maintain clearance from other swimmers Race Judges shall instruct swimmers who, in the judges' opinion, are taking unfair advantage by pacing ~~or slipstreaming~~, to move clear of other swimmers. Failure to comply shall result in disqualification.....*(no further change)*

707.2 Swimmers shall be disqualified if they:

.8 Take an unfair advantage by slipstreaming ~~another swimmer or~~ an escort safety craft; and

ITEMS PROPOSED FROM THE FLOOR (Required 90%):

Adopted -- that the name of the Convention and Elections Committee be changed to the Credentials and Elections Committee.

Adopted -- that the position of Domestic and Age Group Coordinator be deleted from 506.1.6B and 506.1.7, and that the position of Age Group Time Standards be deleted from 506.1.7B. Remaining positions in 506.1.7 to report directly to the Program Development Vice President.