

LEGISLATION PROPOSALS

L 1 Glossary page xii **Rules Committee** **Delete**

~~**Body**—the torso, including shoulder and hips.~~

L 2 Glossary page xii **Rules Committee** **Delete**

~~**Calm State or Surface**—normal level surface without turbulence.~~

L 3 Glossary page xii **Rules Committee** **Modify**

Deck-Seeding—with or without check-in, events are seeded at the time of the event using entries received prior to or at the meet.

L 4 Glossary page xii **Rules Committee** **Modify**

~~**Drafting/Slipstreaming**—in open water...at the meet.~~

L 7 Glossary page xiv **Rules Committee** **Delete**

~~**Open Competiton**—competition that any qualified individual, club or organization may enter.~~

L 8 Glossary page xiv **Rules Committee** **Modify**

~~**Safety/Medical Evacuation Plans**—written plans for the procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency or need for medical intervention.~~

L 9 Glossary page xv **Rules Committee** **Delete**

~~**Unattached Member**—an individual member who does not represent a USMS club.~~

L 10 Glossary page xv **Rules Committee** **Modify**

~~**USA-S**—United States Aquatic Sports Inc. USA Swimming, Inc.~~

L 11 Glossary page xv **Rules Committee** **Modify**

~~**USA-S USAS**—United States Aquatic Sports, Inc.~~

L 12 Glossary page xv **Rules Committee** **Modify**

~~**Will**—consent to do; or an expectation, ~~or used interchangeably with shall.~~~~

L 13 Part 2 page 53 **Long Distance & Open Water Committees** **Modify**

TITLE: PART 2: ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

OF COMPETITION

L 14 201.1 page 53 **Long Distance & Open Water Committees** **Modify**

201.1 MEMBERSHIP OF INDIVIDUALS

All swimmers participating in events sanctioned by USMS, with the exception of events falling under article 203.1.1B and 203.1.1C, must be members of USMS registered through their LMSC or members of their nation's recognized Masters swimming governing body.

L 15 201.3.4 page 54 **Rules Committee** **Modify**

201.3.4 An unattached swimmer is an individual member who ~~does not represent a USMS club, is~~ registered with Club Unattached through an LMSC.

L 18 202.1.1A page 55 **Long Distance & Open Water Committees** **Modify**

A Applications for sanction shall be made to the LMSC within which the event is to be held, ~~and~~ Sanction applications shall be accompanied by ~~a copy~~ of the entry form and applicable fee.

Rationale: Housekeeping (grammar & consistency with USMS E2EEM online event sanction process).

L 20 202.1.1A(2) page 55 **Long Distance & Open Water Committees** **Modify**

(2) ~~Event E~~entry forms and programs must bear the statement "Sanctioned by (LMSC name) for USMS Inc. Sanction Number: _____."

L 22 202.1.1F(3) page 56 **Rules Committee** **Modify**

(3) Sanctioned events may include nonconforming swimming events so long as they are conducted in a safe manner. Nonconforming swimming events are events not defined in article 102.5, article 307.2.2G-J, or that would typically result in the disqualification of participants as defined in article 102.13. USMS records and Top 10 times shall not be maintained in nonconforming events except for initial distances and relay leadoff split times for distances that are also events defined in article 102.5.

L 41 403.7.4 page 86 **Board of Directors** **Add**

403.7.4 Any review of an LMSC decision by a National Board of Review hearing panel shall be made on the basis of the evidence and materials submitted to the LMSC, the written decision of the LMSC, concise statements from involved parties as to why the LMSC's decision is incorrect or correct, and such further information as the hearing panel may, in its sole discretion, request.

L 43 403 page 87 **Board of Directors** **Modify**

403.8.10 ~~All Communications between the parties, the National Board of Review, and the hearing panel, mailings and other correspondence from the grievant, respondent and any witnesses shall be made as prescribed by the NBR Cehair.~~

403.9 Appeal to the Board of Directors

Any person directly affected by the National Board of Review's decision may appeal to the Board of Directors for review of any decision of the National Board of Review within 30 days of the ~~postmark~~ date of the mailing receipt of the National Board of Review's written decision.

L 49 503.4 page 93 **Rules Committee** **Modify**
503.4 Zone Policies

Each zone may adopt and maintain policies that provide direction on such items as voting rights at meetings, budgets and financial records, zone championship meet conduct, zone records and zone Top 10.

L 51 506.7 page 98 **Board of Directors** **Modify**

506.7 Permanent Committees of the Board

There shall be permanent committees of the Board ... member of USMS not on the Board. The presence of a majority of the committee members with voting privileges shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of a permanent committee of the Board, except for scheduled meetings in conjunction with the annual meeting of the House of Delegates where a quorum shall consist of those members of the committee present and voting.

L 52 506.7.4 page 98 **Board of Directors** **Add**

506.7.4 Audit Committee The Audit Committee shall assist the Board of Directors with its financial oversight responsibilities. The committee shall review and monitor the reliability and integrity of the financial statements of US Masters Swimming, monitor compliance with tax, legal and regulatory requirements, monitor and evaluate effectiveness of the organization's operating systems, and monitor the independence and performance of USMS's external auditors. In performing its duties, the committee shall confer directly with USMS management and external auditors and shall report its findings and recommendations in writing to the Board.

L 53 506.7.5 page 98 **Board of Directors** **Add**

506.7.5 Investment Committee

The Investment Committee shall be responsible for developing and submitting written recommendations for Board of Directors approval of investment objectives, asset allocation targets, and performance measurement standards that are consistent with the overall fund investment goals. The committee shall review and evaluate investment results at least quarterly and take whatever action is deemed prudent when the advisor or any selected investment fails to meet performance expectations. The committee shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with all relevant federal and state regulation.

L 54 507.1 page 99 **Board of Directors** **Modify**

507.1 Standing Committees

Standing committees shall be as listed in this article... Associate and ex officio members shall have voice but no vote. The presence of a majority of the committee members with voting privileges shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of a standing committee, except for scheduled meetings held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the House of Delegates where a quorum shall consist of those members of the committee present and voting.

L 56 507.1.13 page 102 **Rules Committee** **Modify**

507.1.13 Rules Committee—The Rules Committee shall ~~assure~~ ensure that the competitive rules in Part 1 of the USMS rules and regulations provide for fair and equitable competition in the best interests of all USMS members, ~~and that~~ The committee shall ensure that the USMS members are informed of current rules, interpretation and changes. The ~~Rules C~~committee may initiate and shall accept, consider and report proposed amendments, with the committee’s recommendations, at the annual meeting of the House of Delegates, in accordance with the provisions of Part 6. When necessary, the committee shall interpret and render opinions regarding any provision of the rules and regulations of USMS within the committee’s jurisdiction as defined in article 601.1. The committee shall consist of the committee chair and sufficient members to execute the committee function, with at least one member from each zone, not to exceed 16 additional members. The Legislation Committee chair, the rule book coordinator, the Officials Committee chair and the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Committee chair shall be ex officio members of the committee.

L 61 505.1 page 95 **Legislation Committee** **Modify**

505.1 Positions

The elected officers of USMS shall be president, vice president of administration, vice president of community services, vice president of local operations, vice president of programs, secretary and treasurer. No person may concurrently hold more than one such office. ~~This amendment will take effect upon passage, at which time the vice president of national operations shall become the vice president of administration and the vice president of member services shall become the vice president of programs.~~
