

Final

1989 Proposed Amendments to United States Masters Swimming Rules

The following proposed items were rejected by the House of Delegates.

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- MSR 1 101.3.1 by Pacific Northwest  
p 17 A. The swimmers shall line up in the water facing the starting end with both hands placed on the gutter or on the starting grips ~~not the top of the block or the platform itself. The feet may be placed in any position on the end of the pool which does not remove either foot completely from the water, nor either hand from the starting grips or the pool edge.~~  
B. Prior to the command "take your mark" and until the feet leave the wall at the starting signal, the swimmer's heels shall be placed under the surface of the water. Curling the toes over the gutter is permissible. Standing in or on the gutter is not permitted at any time before or after the start. A backstroke starting block may not be used.
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- MSR 2 101.6.3 F by SPMA  
p 19 F. Mixed relays shall consist of ~~two men and two women at~~ least two women, one man and one other person, who may swim in any order.
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- MSR 3 102.3.1 and 102.3.2 A and B by Gulf  
p 19-20 Delete (~~not to be swum at National Championships~~) in all three places.
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- MSR 7 102.13.3 B by SPMA  
p 25 B products involving tobacco, alcohol, or pharmaceuticals ~~containing drugs banned under IOC or FINA rules may not be advertised under .3A above, but the advertiser's name only may be used.~~ may be advertised by manufacturer's name only.
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- MSR 8 102.14 by Indiana add a new .14  
p 26 .14 Any swimmer who swims in an empty lane and assumes the identity of another swimmer officially and/or swims unofficially will be suspended from competing in two National Championships, from that occurrence.
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- MSR 12 205.5.8 by Indiana  
p 49 .8 Entry deadline - The deadline for receipt of individual and relay entries for National Championship Meets shall be not more than 35 days prior to the first day of the meet.
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- MSR 13 205.5.10 by Pacific - add a new .10 and renumber  
p 49 .10 Time Standards - In each national Championship meet, a swimmer may enter a maximum of two events unrestricted by time standards. for each of his remaining events, up to the total permitted maximum, he must have achieved, during the past 24 months, times equal to or faster than the following:  
  
49 years and under -- 20th place time swum in the most recent National Championship meet held in the zone containing the meet

being entered. If there were fewer than 20 entries, there is no time standard.

50 years and over -- 15th place time swum in the most recent National championship meet held in the zone containing the meet being entered. If there were fewer than 15 entries, there is no time standard.

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MSR 14 205.5.12 A by Indiana - delete and substitute  
p 49 A. All events shall be pre-seeded with the oldest age groups first, slowest heats first within each age group.

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MSR 15 205.5.12 E by Indiana - delete and substitute (and by Pacific)  
p 49 E All deck seeded events (500/400, 1000/800, 1650/1500 Free, and 400 IM) shall be seeded as above slow to fast, oldest to youngest with the fastest 8 in each age group swimming first. All other swimmer's would then be seeded by time slow to fast.

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MSR 17 205.5.11 by Indiana - delete  
p 49 ~~.11 Relay entry deadline Relays may be entered the day before ... USMS relay cards must be used.~~

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MSR 18 205.5.11 by Indiana - new .23  
p 52 .23 Entry Standards - There shall be entry standards for 1990 USMS National Championships. These standards will be determined by the USMS Championship Committee.  
The following rule changes, as amended, were reported out of committee with a recommendation for approval by the House of Delegates.

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MSR 19 205.5.12 E by Pacific  
p 49 E ~~Events over 200 yards/meters except for the 1000/1650 or 800/1500 meters may be pre seeded as above or may be deck seeded by time only as in B above. All events over 200 meters shall be deck-seeded, with slowest heats swum first in odd numbered years, and fastest heats swum first in even numbered years.~~

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MSR 20 205.5.18 Delete by Legislation Committee  
p 51 .18 Team Scoring - Club scoring will be tabulated in three ...

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MSR 21 Event rotation as proposed by the Championship Committee (see page 3 of the Championship Committee report).

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The following proposals were approved by the House of Delegates:

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MSR 4 102.11.3 by Gulf - add a new .3 and renumber  
p 19 3. National Championships - All National Championship meet scoring and awards shall be treated as if the meet is swum in a ten lane pool, regardless of the actual number of lanes available

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MSR 5 102.13.2 by SPMA - delete  
p 24 2. ~~Insignia No swimmer shall be allowed ... or Regional Championships.~~

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MSR 6 102.13.3 A by SPMA - delete  
p 25 A. ~~in the competition venue ... until they appear properly costumed.~~

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MSR 11 102.18.5 C by SPMA - delete  
p 29 C ~~Such disqualifications shall not be charged as a false start.~~

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MSR 16 205.5.15 by Pacific  
p 50 At the option of the Meet Director, with the approval of the Championship Committee, the 1000/1650 yards and the 800/1500 meters freestyle may be swum as the first day of the program.

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The following proposal was approved, as amended, by the House of Delegates.

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MSR 10 102.18.2 (and 101.3.1 p 17) - By Pacific  
p 28 B The backstroke start: The swimmers shall line up in the water facing the starting end, with both hands placed on the gutter or on the starting grips. For short course yards events, the feet may be placed in any position on the end of the pool, and the swimmer may assume any desired starting position which does not remove either foot completely from the water, nor either hand from the starting grips or the pool edge. For short course meters and long course meters events, prior to the command "take your mark" and until the feet leave the wall at the starting signal, the swimmer's feet, including toes, shall be placed under the surface of the water. For backstroke events in any course, standing in or on the gutter is not permitted at any time either before or after the start. A backstroke starting block may not be used.

(Note: The FINA backstroke rules must be followed in all long course and short course meter events.)

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The following proposal was withdrawn.

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MSR 9 102.16.2 by San Diego - Imperial  
p 26 Effective January 1, 1990, one or more officials should be a Collegiate, USS or YMCA certified Referee, Starter, or Stroke and Turn Judge.

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no minutes

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