

USA Swimming Rules

Pursuant to 601.4.7, amendments to USA Swimming articles 101, 102, and 105 shall automatically be adopted by the USMS unless the USMS House of Delegates votes to reject those amendments.

The following changes were adopted by the USA Swimming House of Delegates at the 2016 convention.

The USMS Rules Committee recommends **rejection** of U-1. Rationale: This proposal is very similar to HK-4 and the Rules Committee favors the language in existing HK-4.

U-1 103.17.3 pages 23-24 Modify **Recommend Rejection**

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103.17.3 Determination of Official Time

A Automatic timing—When recorded by properly operating automatic timing equipment, the pad time shall be the official time.

B Semiautomatic or manual timing—Whenever semiautomatic or manual timing is used, only valid times shall be used in calculating the official time. The times shall be determined as follows:

- (1) If two of the three valid button times or two of the three watch times agree, ~~the time of the two buttons or two watches in agreement that~~ shall be the time for that timing system.
- (2) If three valid buttons or ~~three~~ watches disagree, the time of the intermediate button or intermediate watch shall be the time for that timing system.
- (3) If only two valid button or ~~two valid~~ watch times are available, the time shall be the average of the those two button times or the average of the two watch times shall be the time for that timing system. The digits representing thousandths of a second shall be dropped with no rounding.
- (4) If only one valid button or ~~one~~ watch time is available, the time of that button or watch shall be the time for that timing system provided it is supported by other information.

The USMS Rules Committee **recommends acceptance** of U-2

U-2 102.6 page 7 Modify **Recommend Acceptance**

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102.6 Event Limit

A swimmer may compete in not more than ~~five~~ six individual events per day (or three individual events if the meet is a trials/finals format) and shall compete not more than once in each individual event entered (unless the meet is a trials/finals format). If, however, due to conditions beyond the control of meet officials, an event or events are postponed to a subsequent day of the meet, such postponed events shall not be included in the five (or three) events per day limitation.