

## Proposed Changes to Policies and Procedures

### Changes to C. CLASSIFICATIONS, TIME STANDARDS, and ENTRIES:

#### *Current Wording:*

3. *Relay Events:* A swimmer may participate on a relay when the stroke and distance of his leg of the relay is not faster than the time permitted to enter that stroke and distance as an individual event in the meet. If a swimmer betters the maximum entry time in the same meet, the swimmer may still compete on the relay.

#### *Proposed Wording:*

.3 Relay Events: A swimmer may participate on a relay **when his time** in the stroke and distance of that leg of the relay is not faster than the time permitted in the individual event for the meet. (Remaining statement unchanged.)

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#### *Current Wording:*

5. *If a swimmer betters an entry time after the entries have been submitted so that it is faster than the meet permits, the swimmer shall not participate in that event. The swimmer must notify the meet director who may allow the swimmer to select an alternate event. If an alternate event is not available, the entry fee should be refunded.*

#### *Proposed Wording:*

.5 **After entering an event** if a swimmer **achieves** a time that is faster than the meet permits, the swimmer shall not participate in that event. The swimmer/**coach** must notify the meet director who may allow the swimmer to select an alternate event. If an alternate event is not available, the entry fee should be refunded.

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### Changes to H. Illegal Entries:

#### *Current Wording:*

3. *If the illegal entry is discovered after the event is swum the meet director, meet referee, or designated VSI officer may challenge the entry.*

#### *Proposed Wording:*

3. The meet director, meet referee, or designated VSI officer may challenge any entry that is suspected of being illegal.

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#### Change 4. and 5. to 3.a and 3.b

4. Proof-of-Time: The burden of proof shall be borne by the challenged club or by the individual if unattached. The proof of time must include the name and date of the meet where time was achieved, a copy of the official results, and it must be submitted within 7 days of being challenged.

5. Restoration of Time: If a valid achieved time exists that corrects a previous disqualification for an invalid time submission, the disqualification may be removed. In addition, the restored time must be published in the meet results provided that proof (see paragraph J.4 – **needs to be H.4**) is submitted to the Meet Director within seven days after the meet. Any fine(s) shall remain in effect.

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**Change to D. Sanctioning Process :**

2. The host team for the meet will submit a request for sanction **or approval (added)** to the Administrative Vice Chairman along with a draft meet announcement, a check for the sanction fee, and meet expense worksheet (if required) 60 days prior to the scheduled date of competition. The minimum information required for a sanction to be issued is a list of events, the date, time, and location of the meet, and the name and contact information of the referee for the meet. Sanction request forms are available on the VSI website or may be obtained from the VSI Administrative Vice Chair or VSI Technical Planning Chair. At the option of the host team, and with the approval of the Administrative Vice-Chair, the sanction fee may be paid after completion of the meet with the meet rebate fees and other fees remitted to VSI.

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**Change to I. Coach Credentials:**

*Current Wording:*

*All coaches are required to have their coaching credentials visible (on their person) at all meets. The date of expiration will be shown on the credentials. The Registration Chairman will issue these credentials. Coaches who are registered and in good standing but do not have their credentials with them at a particular meet, will be issued temporary credentials by the meet director.*

*Proposed Wording:*

All coaches are required to have their coaching credentials visible (on their person) at all meets. The date of expiration will be shown on the credentials. Credentials will only be issued by the registration chair. This will only occur after s/he has received documentation that all requirements for certification have been met. Coaches who are registered and in good standing but do not have their credentials with them at a particular meet will be issued temporary credentials by the meet director.

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**Change Procedures B. VSI Records and Top 16 Times** – change to Top 10 and remove references to records since it is now included in the Records Policy

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**Move H. Illegal Entries to C. Classifications, Time Standards and Entries**

.6 Illegal Entries (move from section H and place it here; renumber subsequent sections)

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**Proposed reordering of Policies:**

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