

Virginia Swimming HoD Meeting 26 April 2009

Proposed Policy Changes:

(italicized items show changes)

C. Classifications, Time Standards and Entries

6. Penalties and Fines:

- a. *A fine of up to \$100 per event may be assessed for any of the following:*
 - (1) Entries using fraudulent and/or non-verifiable entry times*
 - (2) Illegal entries (see section H for definition)*
 - (3) Swimmer not registered with USA-S prior to the first day of the meet*
 - (4) Submitting a document that indicated a swimmer is properly registered with USA-S for a meet when, in fact, that swimmer is not properly registered.*
 - (5) Entering a swimmer as attached to a club when, in fact, that swimmer is unattached. (Applies to VSI and non-VSI competition)*
- b. *Any event in which a swimmer illegally participates shall be rescored and any corrections to the awards shall be made.*
- c. *If the swimmer is representing a club in competition, the fine will be levied on the club, if unattached, the fine will be levied on the swimmer.*
- d. *Assessment of Penalties and Payment of Fines: no change.*

E. Meet Results and Financial Reports

2. *Financial Reports: Host Clubs are required to submit a meet financial report detailing all receipts and disbursements in connection with a sanctioned or approved (added) meet. This report shall be submitted to the Treasurer and the General Chairman on the proper form within thirty (30) days of the close of a meet.*

K. Eastern Zone Competition

5. *C. 9 to 14 year old swimmers (Changed from 14 and younger swimmers)*
 - (a) *The selection of the 14 and younger (changed from older) zone team will take place at the Virginia Swimming Age Group Championship Meet.*

Q. Records

1. *In order to be considered for VSI Age Group and Open records, a swimmer or relay team must be registered with USA Swimming and representing a VSI club when the time is achieved.*

2. *VSI records will include only those events or distances recognized by USA Swimming or VSI Swimming. VSI records represent the fastest time in each event by a VSI swimmer or relay and may be achieved in either age group or senior competition.*
 - a. *Virginia Swimming shall establish and maintain age group and open records for both 25 yard and 50 meter courses for the 10 and under, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18, and open age groups*
 - b. *Records must be achieved in accordance with Article 104 of the Technical Rules of USA Swimming and the policies and procedures of Virginia Swimming in effect at the time.*
 - c. *The fastest time swum by a VSI registered athlete or relay at time of performance in any VSI or USA Swimming sanctioned, approved, or observed meet, or in an International Championship event recognized by USA Swimming will be recognized as a record. The swim must appear in the SWIMS National Times Database.*
 - d. *A tie of an existing record shall be recognized as such in the Records list.*
 - e. *Any swim timed with semi automatic or automatic timing used as the primary timing system may establish a record.*
 - f. *Any intermediate time or time achieved in a time trial is not acceptable as a VSI record.*
3. *Final results for meet outside the boundaries of VSI must be submitted for record verification. It is the responsibility of the swimmer, or their representative, to submit the proper documentation to verify a record performance. Forwarding a copy of the meet results (via mail or email) or notifying the Records Chair where the results can be found online will serve as acceptable documentation.*

Request permission to rearrange the Policies so that similar topics are grouped together. No changes would be made to the policy, just a re-ordering of the sections. Example: move *H. Illegal Entries* in front of *C. Classifications, Times Standards and Entries* and adjust current sections accordingly