

Technical Report: Bob Menck proposed the Athlete Reimbursement Policy:

TECHNICAL PROPOSALS BOD Meeting, June 12, 2018

Item 1: Creation of 100% (Invitational) Meet Entry Category

Proposed: The creation of an additional meet entry category 100% (Short Course Only)

Rationale: It is noticeable in many SC meets that use the 75/25 that entries from the 25% are sometimes scarce and not adequately filling the allotted spaces. As a result, we should add a 100% category to the meet cut policy.

Action: **REJECTED**

Effective Date: **Short Course 2018**

1. **Entry Acceptance policies:** Host teams may choose one of three methods to limit entries into their meet, which are detailed below. The method to be used must be specified in the meet announcement.

a. **75%/25% Procedure**

b. **First-Come-First-Served (FCFS) Procedure**

c. **100% Procedure**

- i. All 100% meets must be approved by the Calendar Committee.
- ii. The Calendar Committee will limit the number of 100% entry meets to no more than 50% of meets on any weekend.
- iii. All 100% meets must be at least 4 sessions long over the course of at least 2 consecutive days and be conducted under the same NES Sanction number.
- iv. The **meet bid form** must indicate which type of entry policy will be used for each meet and cannot be changed once the bid is approved, unless moving to a 75/25 from 100%.
- v. No club may use the 100% entry policy for more than 50% of the seasons meets.
- vi. The host team may select 100% of the entries ("splashes") from their own team and any other LSC team that has submitted entries.
- vii. If the meet is not full 48 hours after entries open, the host may accept entries from teams outside of the New England Swimming
- viii. Teams accepted must submit their entry and payment to the host team no later than 7 calendar days before the first date of entries, or the host team may remove them from the meet.

If the host team under-estimates the number of entries, the host team must then follow the entries cut procedure in the meet announcement

Item 2: Standardization of all Meet Bid Due Dates

Proposed: Change Policy to reflect that all meets, non-calendar and approved, closed YMCA will have bids submitted in July for Short Course and February for Long Course. Currently the policy allows bids for any non-calendar or approved meet up to 6 weeks in advance of their meet.

Rationale: This will allow the committee to make informed decisions about bid approvals and the number of meets and the busy weekends. In addition, this will limit the number of approvals from current meet hosts.

Action: **ACCEPTED**

Effective Date: Short Course 2018

B. Meet Bidding Policies and Procedures

2. Meet Bidding Process:

~~~All bids for short course are due in July prior to the short course season, and all bids for long course are due in February prior to the long course season. This includes all non-calendar and approved meets. Exact dates will be posted on the website at least 4 weeks before the bids are due.

- ~~5. **Approved YMCA Meets** where entries are closed to Y only teams will follow the YMCA sanction and NES approval must be obtained 60 days before the first day of the meet and the application and meet information at least two weeks before the meet.~~

### Item 3: YMCA New England SC Championship Approval

**Proposed:** Amend the New England Swimming Rules and Regulations as follows:

#### Section II, Sub-section D (Calendar Protection):

... No meets will be sanctioned, approved or observed at the same time and date of the New England Swimming Annual Meeting or other HOD Meeting or at the same time and date of the New England Swimming Award Banquet.

The YMCA New England SCY Championship Meet will be approved on any date.

*[Remainder unchanged]*

**Rationale:** The YMCA New England Championship meet should be approved no matter what weekend it falls on. The participants will attend this meet regardless of any New England Swimming meets being held on the same weekend. We allow Bay State Games this courtesy and we should allow the YMCA the same courtesy. This will only apply to YMCA New England Championship Meets.

**Action: ACCEPTED**

**Effective Date: Short Course 2018**

### Item 4: Defining YMCA Meets for reduced splash fees

**Proposed:** Reduced splash fees for the following YMCA meets (\$0.75):

WMYSL - Western Mass Winter Championships

SENECY – Championship Meet

YMCA Districts

YMCS New England Championships

Currently states a general policy requiring time standards and a Y sanction. This will define the exact meets that are allowed the reduced splash fee.

**Action: ACCEPTED**

**Effective Date: June 2018**

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5. **Approved YMCA Meets:** The following YMCA Meets will have the splash fee of \$1.50 reduced to the sanctioned meet fee of \$0.75 per splash. ~~where entries are closed to Y only teams will follow the approved meets policy (addendum). If the following conditions are met, the surcharges to NE~~

~~Swimming will be reduced from \$1.50 per splash to the sanctioned meet fee of \$.75 per splash:~~

- ~~• WMYSL – Western Mass Winter Championships~~
- ~~• SENEKY – Winter Championship Meet~~
- ~~• YMCA District Meet~~
- ~~• YMCA New England Championship Meet~~
- ~~• The meet must be sanctioned by YMCA of New England~~
- ~~• The meet must have qualifying times faster than the USA Swimming “A” times~~
- ~~• The YMCA sanction and NES approval must be obtained 60 days before the first day of the meet and the application and meet information at least two weeks before the meet.~~

#### **Item 5: Admission Prices for meets with paperless heat sheets**

**Proposed:** Allow teams to increase admission fees to \$4.00 for a calendar meet (non-championship) where paperless heat sheets are provided to all. (currently \$3.00)

**Rationale:** Currently NES meets waste a huge volume of paper throughout the year. Thousands of heat sheets end up in the trash can after meets. The proposed change will allow NES to do its part in joining the green Revolution and stop contributing to the marked strain on our natural resources.

**Action:** **ACCEPTED**

**Effective Date:** **Long Course 2018**

- Teams that offer a paper heat sheet for a fee may charge a maximum of \$3.00 per person for admission.
- Teams that offer a free electronic heat sheet for all sessions may charge a maximum of \$4.00 per person for admission.
- Teams that offer a fee-based electronic heat sheet may charge a maximum of \$3.00 per person for admission.