

SUMMARY OF BYLAW RESTATEMENT

- 1) Complies with REQUIRED ("To preserve continuity across the LSC's") Amendment procedure (first time ever really as *complete* compilation.) Revises and clarifies Amendment procedure (see below) for future generation's sake. Has already been reviewed and approved by USA Swimming Counsel
- 2) Revises and contains USA edits from 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009. Brings Bylaws up to date thru most recent Sept 2009 USAS HOD.
- 3) Deletes past amendments that were never approved by USA R and R Committee.
- 4) Adds one at large athlete representative to BOD to comply with 20% rule. Now 14 members rather than 13.
- 5) Adds one athlete to Meet Scheduling Committee to comply with 20% rule. Now 8 members and Prog Dev is chair (automatically). Senior and Junior athlete reps are auto members.
- 6) Moves Athlete rep and Coaches rep election process out of Bylaws and into MS R &R - so future changes, if any, are more easily accomplished. Changes Athlete Rep qualifications to comply with MNCA and back in line with general USA requirements.
- 7) Has gone from 50 pages to 43 pages.

11.3 AMENDMENTS OF BYLAWS -

1. By MS House of Delegates: Any provision of these Bylaws not mandated by USA Swimming may be amended at any meeting of the MS House of Delegates by a two-thirds vote of the members present and entitled to vote. Amendments so approved shall **not** take effect until reviewed and approved by the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Committee.

It is the responsibility of the MS Administrative Vice Chair to forward all new amendments to the Chair of the USA Rules and Regulations Committee immediately following the conclusion of the MS House of Delegates meeting seeking USA Review and Approval. Amendments, approved by the MS House of Delegates and then by the USA Rules and Regulations Committee, become effective on the September 1st following the date of the MS House of Delegates meeting that passed the amendment or sooner if so specified by the MS House of Delegates.

2. By USA Swimming House of Delegates: These Bylaws shall be deemed to be automatically amended ninety (90) days after the conclusion of any annual meeting of USA Swimming House of Delegates at which the corresponding provisions of Part Six of the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations are amended (or such later effective date established in the amending USA Swimming legislation) to the extent that such amendment affects a provision required to be included herein or is itself required to be included herein, unless MS shall have requested permission of the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Committee not to have such amendment take effect with respect to these Bylaws.

3. Role of MS Administrative Vice Chair: The MS Administrative Vice Chair is responsible for including/editing the annual USA Swimming Amendments and MS House of Delegates Amendments (if any) into these bylaws which occur during the year and having them posted to the MS website by January 1st of each year.