

TPC Teleconference Call

3/19/14

7:30 to 8:15 pm

In attendance – Bill Christensen, Sherry Gentry, Jason Walters, Chris Rowe, Mike Gentry, and Maggie Shook

Recommendations from TPC to House of Delegates for changes in NTSI Policy and Procedures

3.1 CLASSIFICATION OF SWIMMERS:

Swimming competition shall be conducted under the following classifications:

- 3.1.1 Senior:** All USA Swimming registered swimmers are eligible for the Senior Class and meet the requirements of the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.
 - ~~**3.1.2 Junior:** All USA Swimming registered swimmers 19 years of age and under are eligible for the Junior Class, subject to age group restrictions elsewhere in these rules.~~
 - 3.1.3 Age Group:** Age Group Swimming is for swimmers 18 years of age and under, and shall be conducted under the provisions of the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.
 - 3.1.4 Open Water:** All USA Swimming registered swimmers are eligible for open water swimming.
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3.3.1 Level 1 – 13 -14 year olds, and 15 & Over Sectional level Swimmers with 15-16 “AA” time standards to swim events.

3.3.2 Level 2 – Swimmers with “BB” times or better

3.3.3 Level 3 – Swimmers with less than “BB” times.

~~**3.1.5 C Competition:** An athlete age 12 or under, may compete in any event in a C competition in which he or she has not achieved the applicable B time standard.~~

~~**3.1.6 B Competitions:**~~

~~**3.1.6.1** An athlete age 12 or under, may enter any B/C event in which he or she has achieved the applicable B time standard, but has not achieved the applicable BB time standard.~~

~~**3.1.7 BB Competitions:**~~

~~**3.1.7.1** An athlete may enter any BB event in which the athlete has achieved the applicable BB time standard, but has not achieved the relevant A time standard. All athletes 13 years or older who have not achieved the relevant A time standard are eligible to enter BB events.~~

~~**3.1.7.2** An athlete with 1 or 2 BB times can swim in BB meets with 2 bonus swims per meet, provided they have entered at least 1 event with the cut.~~

~~**3.1.7.3** A swimmer with 3 or more BB times can swim any event up to daily limit with no limit to the distance.~~

~~**3.1.7.4** Bonus swims must be marked as bonus swims on the entry file.~~

3.1.8 A Competition:

~~3.1.8.1 An athlete may enter an event in an A competition in which the athlete has achieved the applicable A time standard.~~

~~3.1.8.2 In entering any A competition, any swimmer with one or two A times can swim in A meets with 2 bonus swims per meet, provided they have entered at least 1 event with the cut.~~

~~3.1.8.3 A swimmer with 3 or more A times can swim any event up to daily limit with no limit to the distance.~~

~~3.1.8.4 Bonus swims must be marked as bonus swims on the entry file.~~

4.1.1 MEET RULES: ALL MEETS

4.1.1.1 All meets that include the 15 - 18 age group shall provide an Age Group to allow athletes over the age of 18 to compete.

4.1.1.2 All NTSI sanctioned meets shall be scored in conformance with USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.

~~4.1.1.3 All "BB" and "B-C" meets/Meets will be awarded by age groups.~~

4.1.1.4 Keep all teams together for A meets as a single division.

~~4.1.1.4.1 Compete two divisions format~~

~~Division 1: DAC, FAST, IS, LAC, MAC, MARS, MTRO-FW, NTN, QA, SWAT, SNAP, TRS, TCU, WEST, WKB~~

~~Division 2: ATAC, CAT, COPS, COR, DM, ESP, FA, LSSC, MTRO, RACE, SDST, SMU~~

4.1.1.4.2 Team assignments for three division formats:

4.1.2 Division 1 - FAST, MAC, MARS, NTN, MTRO-FW, SWAT, SNAP, TRS, TCU

4.1.3 Division 2 - DM, DAC, ESP, FA, IS, LAC, LFIT, QA, SMU, WEST, WKB

4.1.4 Division 3 - ATAC, CAT, COPS, COR, DAYT, LSSC, MTRO, RACE, TXAQ

~~4.1.4.1.1 Compete three divisions format:~~

~~Division 1: FAST, MAC, MARS, NTN, MTRO-FW, SWAT, SNAP, TRS, TCU~~

~~Division 2: DM, DAC, ESP, FA, IS, LAC, QA, SMU, WEST, WKB~~

~~Division 3: ATAC, CAT, COPS, COR, LSSC, MTRO, RAC, SDST~~

~~4.1.4.1.2 Compete four division format~~

~~Division 1: FAST, MAC, MARS, NTN, QA, MTRO-FW, SNAP, TCU~~

~~Division 2: DM, DAC, IS, LAC, SMU, TRS, WEST, WKB~~

~~Division 3: COPS, FA, MTRO, SDST~~

~~Division 4: ATAC, CAT, COR, ESP, LSSC, RACE, SWAT~~

4.1.4.2 NT Champs Requirements:

~~4.1.4.2.1~~ The order of events for championship meets must be followed as recommended by Technical Planning

~~4.1.4.2.2~~ A/BB Champs, Senior Champs

~~4.1.4.2.2.1~~ If over 450 swimmers, 2 pools for a 3 session meet, 1 pool must use 5 session meet.

~~4.1.4.2.2.2~~ NT entries are not allowed.

~~4.1.4.2.2.3~~ Teams will be divided into 3 divisions.

~~4.1.4.2.3~~ B/C Champs Level 3

~~4.1.4.2.3.1~~ If over 450 swimmers, 2 pools for a 3 session meet, 1 pool must use 5 session meet.

~~4.1.4.2.3.2~~ NT entries are not allowed

~~4.1.4.2.3.3~~ Teams will be divided into 3 divisions.

~~4.1.4.2.3.4~~ 8 and Under individual events be awarded and scored as 7 and Unders, and 8 year olds.

~~4.1.4.2.3.5~~ Best Time Ribbons must be given out to swimmers achieving best times for 8 & unders session.

4.1.5 Meet Parameters: Summer Season March/April to August

~~4.1.5.1~~ Level 2-A and BB meets shall be conducted in a long course pool.

~~4.1.5.2~~ Level 3-All B/C meets shall be conducted in a short course pool

All meets shall be conducted as specified by the Technical Planning Committee.

~~4.3.1~~ ~~The A Championship~~ **All Championship Meet(s)** is limited to athletes registered with NTSI either attached or unattached . If held prior to the TAGS qualifying deadline, -the meet shall include all TAGS events and shall conform to the age groups and events, set forth in the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations.

~~4.3.1.1~~ ~~Other Championship Meets~~ are limited to athletes registered with NTSI either attached or unattached

7.1.1 For ~~B/C~~ Level 3 meets in a 25 pool yard sessions, one 30-minute warm up period is required. The first 20 minutes will be general warm up. During the last 10 minutes, racing starts will be permitted using the required procedures and lane assignments.

7.1.2 The first 30 minutes of meets other than ~~B/C~~ Level 3 meets, will be a general warm up, all lanes. No sprinting or pace work will be allowed during the general warm up session. NO DIVING will be allowed from the blocks or the edge of the pool. Swimmers shall enter the pool feet first from the start end of the pool in a cautious manner.

