

# USMS Convention - Greensboro, North Carolina. 2012

<b>Committee Name:</b> Rules	<b>Session #:</b> 4	<b>Report #:</b> 18
<b>Committee Chair:</b> Kathy Casey	<b>Vice Chair:</b> Leianne Crittenden, Matt Hooper	
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b> Kris Wingenroth	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b> 9/14/12 8:45 p.m.	

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## Action Items:

1. R 16, MSA as amended
2. R 55, MSA as amended
3. R 5, MSA as amended
4. R 1, MSA
5. R 2, MSA as amended
6. R 3, MSA to withdraw
7. The proposed USMS Transsexual Policy document was amended.

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<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 12	<b>Absent:</b> 5	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b> 2
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**Committee members present:** Present: Kathy Casey (Chair), Leanne Crittenden (Vice Chair), Matt Hooper (Vice Chair), Kris Wingenroth (Secretary), Charlie Cockrell, Sally Dillon, Barry Fasbender, Judy Gillies, Laura Groselle, Brian Hoyt, Jessica Seaton, Steve Unruh

Absent: Marilyn Fink, Robert Mitchell, Kelly Sharitt, Ginny Trimble, Carolyn Boak was excused for her IMSHOF induction

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 p.m.

1. MSA to remove R 16 from the Table  
MSA to amend R 16 to read:  
**101.1.1 Forward Start**—The forward start may be taken from the starting block, the pool deck or a push from the wall. At the commencement of each heat, the referee shall signal to the swimmers by a short series of whistles to remove all clothing except for swimwear, followed by a long whistle indicating that they should take their positions with at least one foot at the front of the starting platform or the edge of pool deck ~~or on the wall~~ before the command "Take your mark." ~~These Swimmers~~ starting in the water should take their positions on the wall with must have at least one hand in contact with the wall or starting block platform and one foot in contact with the wall before the command "Take your mark".

MSA as amended, R 16

Since the amendment somewhat modified the intent of the original proposal, it was deemed that the first sentence in the rationale should be deleted.

2. MSA to remove R 55 from the Table  
MSA to amend R 55 to replace all of the previous proposed modifications with only the following additional part F to 103.17.3.  
**103.17.3 Determination of Official Time**  
**F- Fully-Integrated Video Timing Systems** – If the backup system is a fully integrated, stationary overhead video system, the video camera time shall be the official time without adjustment in the event of a primary timing system malfunction.

MSA as amended, R 55

3. MSA to remove R 5 from the Table  
MSA to amend R 6 to read, :**Medical identification item – an item** worn by a swimmer that identifies medical conditions, emergency contacts or other information necessary to protect the health of the swimmer. Medical identification items are not considered part of swimwear.

MSA as amended, R 5

4. The proposed USMS Transsexual Policy was discussed.  
MSA to amended the proposed USMS Transsexual Policy to read:
  1. A competitor who has undergone sex reassignment after puberty will be eligible... (~~delete “from male to female (and vice versa)...~~
  1. B. Legal recognition of the assigned sex can be validated by the appropriate official authorities (including but not limited to, identification such as ...)
  1. C. Hormonal therapy appropriate for the assigned sex has been administered continuously and uninterrupted in a verifiable manner for a sufficient length of time, no less than two years, ...Delete number 2 and renumber the other sections 3 to 2, 4 to 3 and 5 to 4.

5. MSA, R1

6. MSA to amend R 2 to delete everything after the word “Swimming” so it will read: “FINA – Federation International de Natation (International Federation of Swimming).”

MSA as amended, R 2

7. MSA to withdraw R 3.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m

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