PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE

L-1 **403.1** p. 73 Rule Book Committee

403.1 REPORTING

Any individual or the estate of....has occurred, or is about to occur, as a result of actions taken by any person or organization affiliated with USMS shall notify the chairman of the LMSC...

403.5.2 p. 74

403.5.2—Jurisdiction may be delegated to the zone representative and/or the chairman/executive officers of the LMSC...

507.1.1B p. 80

507.1.1B The Zone Committee chairman.

507.4 p. 83-83

507.5 AD HOC COMMITTEES

The president may establish other ... Each committee shall meet annually in conjunction with the annual meeting of the House of Delegates, if requested by the committee chairman, a committee member, or any member of the House of Delegates.

601.2.3 p. 86

601.2.3—Submission Deadline

Proposed changes by an LMSC must be submitted to the chairman of the Rules, Legislation, or Long Distance Committee...

Rationale: Forgot to neuter these chairmen when the changes were made last year.

L-2 **507.3.5** p. 81-82 Rule Book Committee

507.3.5—Finance Committee—The Finance Committee shall consist of at least one member from each zone. The treasurer, the internal auditor, and the controller shall serve as ex-officio members of the committee.

A— The Finance Committee shall:

A(1) Develop policies...

 $\underline{B(2)}$ Receive and review...

C(3) Prepare or cause...

<u>D(4)</u> Annually receive...

E(5) At each annual...

Rationale: Our numbering got off kilter. There's no reason to separate out "The Finance Committee shall" as 507.3.5A. It should just be another sentence in 507.3.5. See the structure for 508.3 for precedent.

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L-3 **201.1.3** p. 57 San Diego/Imperial

201.1.3—One Event Registration

An LMSC may offer a single-event registration that allows... One-event registrants must be considered unattached and agree to be governed by the rules and regulations of USMS, except that their times shall not be considered for Top Ten tabulation or world records, All American status, or any other USMS special awards.

Rationale: One-event registrants recently have been awarded All American status by mistake. The proposal is really house keeping which makes it clear under the registration section what the limitations are for a one-event registrant, and brings this section of the rulebook into conformity with the long distance rule (Article 301.2.4, page 61).

L-4 **601.2.1** p. 86 Legislation Committee

601.2.1—Authorization

Changes to the USMS Code of Regulations and Rules of Competition may be proposed only by an LMSC, a standing committee of the House of Delegates, the Zone Committee, the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee.

Rationale: Housekeeping. Last year, when the Zone Committee was moved from the Standing Committee section to a separate section, no change was made to 601.2.1. Previously, as a standing committee, the Zone Committee was allowed to propose amendments. Now it is not. This could be corrected by adding "the Zone Committee" to 601.2.1

L-5 **507.3** p. 81 Legislation Committee

507.3 STANDING COMMITTEES

The president shall appoint.... Whenever possible, each committee shall have representation from each zone. If the relocation of a committee member results in a committee no longer meeting zone representation requirements, the committee chair shall notify the president so that a replacement can be named as the situation merits. Standing committees shall...

Rationale: Certain committees require a specific number of committee members from each zone, but there are no guidelines as to how to deal with the relocation of one or more members out of their initial zones. Replacement of a member who moves close to the time of convention can disrupt the work of the committee for that year. This amendment would allow the President and the committee chair to consider each situation and replace a member who relocates when and if appropriate.

L-6 **507.3.3** p. 81 Executive Committee

507.2.2--Computer Online Communications Committee

The Computer Online Communications Committee shall maintain the official USMS Web site plan and provide guidance for communications with the general membership. That guidance shall encompass the USMS Web Master and Magazine Editor positions. The committee shall interact with all USMS committees and LMSCs to develop Web site content communications that promotes the healthy lifestyle of Masters Swimming, highlights the benefits of membership, and provides ongoing feedback and information regarding USMS programs.

Rationale: To centralize the communications functions under the auspices of one committee. It is offered as emergency legislation so that the changes in organizational structure can begin now.

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Legislation Committee Report

You will find the proposed amendments to the code in the delegates' handbook. We will be considering those amendments and any others that may come to us from the USMS standing committees at our meeting at convention. In addition we will continue work on projects which are ongoing leading up to convention 2001.