Fall 2022 HOD

Proposed Legislation

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| **Block A** |
| **Number** | **Subject** | **Effective Date** | **Req’d** | **Pull** |
| B-01 | Eliminate Spring HOD | Immediate | 67% |  |
| B-02 | Contingent on B-01 passing; time of athlete rep elections | Immediate | 67% |  |
| BH-01 | Athlete/Coach Rep Elections | Immediate | 67% |  |

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| **Block B** |
| **Number** | **Subject** | **Effective Date** | **Req’d** | **Pull** |
| R-01 | Championship Meet Fees | Immediate | 50% | X |
| R-02 | Closed Weekends | Immediate | 50% | X |
| R-03 | Membership (Registration) Fee Increase | Immediate | 50% |  |
| R-04 | Remove 8% charge over established facility fees | Immediate | 50% | X |
| R-05 | Contingent on B-01 passing; Process for Annual HOD/Spring Business Meeting | Immediate | 50% |  |
| Glossary |  Define NCS Club | Immediate | 50% |  |
| RH-01 | Article Reference | Immediate | 50% |  |

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| **Block C** |
| **Number** | **Subject** | **Effective Date** | **Req’d** | **Pull** |
| R-06 | Meet Entry Due Date | Immediate | 90% |  |

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Note: Items labeled BH-XX or RH-XX are housekeeping changes which just clarify existing items.

To be Considered by the

House of Delegates

*Fall 2022*

B-01

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Eliminate requirement for Spring HOD

Rationale: Elections and legislation can be handled annually at one HOD

Submitted by: Board of Directors

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediately

ARTICLE 4 - HOUSE OF DELEGATES

4.6 ANNUAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS - ~~The annual meeting of the House of Delegates of NCS shall be held in the fall. Regular meetings of the House of Delegates will also be held each spring.~~

.1 The annual meeting of the House of Delegates of NCS shall be held in the Fall at which all legislative proposals will be considered and elections will be conducted.

.2 Regular LSC Business meetings will be held in the spring, which will include the Operations Committee meeting to approve the upcoming short course season.

ARTICLE 6 - OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

6.2 OTHER DIRECTORS

.1 ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVES - Two (2) Athlete Representatives shall be elected, one each year for a two-year term, or until their respective successors are elected. At the time of election, the Athlete Representative must (a) be an athlete member in good standing; (b) be at least a sophomore in high school or at least 16 years of age, (c) be currently competing, or have competed within the three (3) immediately preceding years, in the program of swimming conducted by NCS or another LSC; and (d) have his or her place of permanent residence in the Territory and expect to reside therein throughout at least the first half of the term (other than periods of enrollment in an institution of higher education). The election of Athlete Representatives shall be conducted annually during ~~Spring~~ the annual meeting of the HOD, or other regularly scheduled meeting designated by the Board of Directors.

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B-02

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Correct according to procedures

Rationale: The Athlete and Coach Representatives are elected by their peers

Submitted by: Legislative Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

*If B-01 passes*

6.2 OTHER DIRECTORS

 .1 athlete representatives ‑

 Two (2) Athlete Representatives shall be elected, one each year for a two-year term, or until their respective successors are elected. At the time of election, the Athlete Representative must (a) be an athlete member in good standing; (b) be at least a sophomore in high school or at least 16 years of age, (c) be currently competing, or have competed within the three (3) immediately preceding years, in the program of swimming conducted by NCS or another LSC; and (d) have his or her place of permanent residence in the Territory and expect to reside therein throughout at least the first half of the term (other than periods of enrollment in an institution of higher education). The election of Athlete Representative shall be conducted annually during ~~Spring~~ the Annual HOD, or other regularly scheduled meet designated by the Board of Directors. The balloting shall take place at a meeting called for that purpose by the Athletes Committee, or failing that, at a time and in a manner designated by the Board of Directors. The Athlete Representatives elected shall be determined by a majority of the Athlete Members in good standing present and voting who are thirteen (13) years of age or older.

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BH-01

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Correct according to procedures

Rationale: The Athlete and Coach Representatives are elected by their peers not the HOD

Submitted by: Legislative Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

4.5 DUTIES AND POWERS ‑ The House of Delegates shall oversee the establishment of policies, procedures and programs. In addition to the duties and powers prescribed in the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, USA Swimming Corporate Bylaws, or elsewhere in these Bylaws, the House of Delegates shall:

.1 Elect the officers, ~~Athlete Representatives, Coach Representative(s),~~ At-Large Board Members and the committee chairs and coordinators listed in Articles 6 and 7

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R-01

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Increase Championship Meet Entry Fees

Rationale: Escalating facility expenses are causing financial losses for hosts

Submitted by: Operations Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

203.2 Championship Meet Entry Fees - The maximum allowable entry fee for all NCS Championship meets is as follows:

~~Short Course (Sr & AG): $6.00 individual, $10.00 relay~~

~~Long Course (AG): $6.00 individual, $10.00 relay~~

~~Long Course (Sr): $8.00 individual, $12.00 relay~~

Age Group - $8 (short course)/$10 (long course) Individual, $12 relay

Senior - $12.00 Individual, $20 relay

Facility~~/swimmer~~ surcharge may not exceed the following:

 Age Group - $15.00 for short course or $~~15~~20.00 for long course

Senior - $20 for short course or $30 for long course

 ~~Relay only swimmer facility / swimmer surcharge may not exceed $7.50 for short course or $7.50 for long course.~~

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R-02

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Open NCS OW Championships weekend

Rationale: Action is not expected to affect participation in the OW meet

Submitted by: Operations Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

202.1. SCHEDULING

.3 A protected date is a date where no additional NCS sanctioned meets open to a particular level of swimmer may be subsequently added to the schedule. Saturday and Sunday of any weekend for the following events on the scheduled NCS calendar will be protected dates for which no meets shall be sanctioned or approved except as noted.

A. ~~Regularly scheduled~~ Annual HOD meeting~~s~~ *(If B-01 passes)*

B. NCS SC 14 and Under and Senior Championships Meets

C. NCS LC 14 and Under and Senior Championships Meets

~~D. NCS Open Water Championships~~

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R-03

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: 1) USA Swimming will add transaction charges to online LSC registration fees 2) Add the new Administrator membership category

Rationale: Add USA Swimming transaction charges to the required membership fees

Submitted by: Registration

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediately

207.3 NCS YEAR-ROUND ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP $10.00 is the current annual NCS Swimming athlete membership (registration) fee plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.4 NCS FLEX MEMBERSHIP $10.00 is the current annual NCS Swimming flex membership (registration) fee plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges. ~~(Effective 9/1/2018).~~

207.4 NCS SINGLE SEASON ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP $10.00 is the current seasonal NCS Swimming athlete membership (registration) fee plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.5 NCS SINGLE MEET OPEN WATER ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP $10.00 is the current NCS Swimming athlete membership (registration) fee plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.6 NCS INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP $10.00 is the current annual NCS Swimming non-athlete membership (registration) fee plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.7 NCS ADMINISTRATOR MEMBERSHIP The current annual NCS Swimming Administrative membership (registration) fee is $0.00 plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.~~7~~8 NCS COACH/JUNIOR COACH MEMBERSHIP

.1 NEW COACH/JUNIOR COACH MEMBER

1. FEE: $10.00 plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

.2 RENEWAL COACH/JUNIOR COACH MEMBER

1. All certifications must be up to date before renewal application will be considered complete.
2. NCS COACH/JUNIOR COACH RENEWAL
3. FEE: From 9/1 to 12/20 - $10.00 plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.
4. FEE: After 12/20- $50.00 plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.
5. COACH/JUNIOR COACH RENEWAL (Non NCS)
6. FEE: $10.00 plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.~~8~~9 OUTREACH MEMBERSHIP FEE - The current annual NCS Swimming Outreach membership (registration) fee is $0.00 plus the current USA Swimming required fees and transaction charges.

207.~~9~~10 Registration fees are non-transferrable. Change to a different level of membership will require a new registration fee.

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R-04

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Remove per swimmer facility fees of 8% penalty for exceeding established rates

Rationale: As the $13/$18 fee is not based on actual Facility or per swimmer costs, the LSC should not penalize meet host clubs that exceed these arbitrarily set limits. The LSC utilizes a “Free Market” Meet bid system, allowing competing meets in the same region, on the same weekend, reducing the opportunity to cover increasing facility costs is unjust. Additionally, this unfairly penalizes clubs that do not own their own facility, favoring those clubs that can host meets at marginal or no facility ‘Cost”.

Submitted by: Dwight Dickerman, Sailfish Aquatics

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

205.3. PAYMENT OF FEES

*.1 - .3 no changes*

.4 Assessment of all per swimmer facility fees required for entry into sanctioned and approved meets in excess of $20: 8%

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R-05

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Change the Scheduling Process to reflect Fall HOD and Spring LSC Business Meeting

Rationale: Make approval process similar for both seasons

Submitted by: Operations Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

202.1. SCHEDULING

.1 Except when the House of Delegates determines otherwise by a 2/3 majority, the schedule for each short course season (September through approximately April) shall be approved by one representative from each club in attendance at the Operations Committee meeting at the corresponding ~~House of Delegates~~ Spring LSC Business meeting the previous Spring. ~~and~~ T~~t~~he schedules for each long course season (approximately May through August) shall be approved by one representative from each club in attendance at the Operations Committee meeting at the corresponding House of Delegates meeting the previous Fall.

.4 The Scheduling Coordinator/staff, shall post the scheduling framework to the North Carolina Swimming website at least forty (40) days prior to the upcoming House of Delegates/Spring LSC Business meeting.

.5 Based on the scheduling ~~framework~~, the Scheduling Coordinator/staff shall solicit bids from member clubs and prepare a recommended schedule for consideration ~~by~~ at the Operations Committee meetings at the Fall House of Delegates and Spring LSC Business meetings.

 .7 For a meet that has been properly bid to remain on the schedule ~~and sent to the House of Delegates~~, a representative of the host club must be present at the Operations Committee meeting.

203.5 Facility Fees

*.1 No Changes*

.2 In order to assess a facility surcharge, the meet classification, the facility to be used, and the amount of the surcharge must be included in the bid packet and ~~must~~ shall be approved ~~by the NCS House of Delegates~~ by one representative from each club in attendance at ~~a regular~~ the Operations Committee meeting at the upcoming House of Delegates/Spring LSC Business meeting. ~~held to approve the meet schedule or by the Board of Directors between meetings of the House of Delegates.~~

204.3 SANCTION/APPROVAL REQUEST PROCEDURE

*.1 - .4 No Changes*

.5 USA member swim clubs may not host Approved meets unless approved first by the ~~House of Delegates~~ one representative from each club in attendance at the Operations Committee meeting at the upcoming House of Delegates/Spring LSC Business meeting ~~at the scheduling meeting~~ or the NCS Sanction Committee and then by USA Swimming. YMCA-affiliated USA Swimming clubs hosting closed league meets are exempt from these requirements.

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R-06

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Allow meet entries to be due 15 days prior to the first day of the swim meet date.

Rationale: Facilities in the LSC require payment in full 10 or more days prior to the first day of the swim meet. Increasing the number days to 15 gives the host team time to evaluate their entries against the cost and reduce their risk of financial loss.

Submitted by: Dwight Dickerman, Sailfish Aquatics

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

206.4 ENTRY DEADLINE The entry deadline ~~cannot~~ shall be no more than ~~ten (10)~~ 15 (fifteen) days prior to the first day of the swim meet.

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Glossary

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Add to glossary a definition of the term NCS Club

Rationale: The term is used extensively throughout the rules

Submitted by: Operations Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

NCS CLUB - An organization that has been accepted for membership by USA Swimming and operates, trains, and competes on a year-round basis primarily within NC Swimming’s geographic borders.

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RH-01

**ACTION:** Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Edit to just include the article in which the chart is referenced

Rationale: Streamline future editing

Submitted by: Legislative Committee

Recommendation: *(Office Use Only)*

Effective Date: Immediate

# ARTICLE 202: MEET SCHEDULING PROCESS

202.1. SCHEDULING

.8 Once approved, the schedule shall be open to additional meets if any such meet does not conflict with a protected date. Any requests for additional meets must be submitted to the Scheduling Coordinator and the sanctions committee prior to the appropriate sanction request deadline (30 days prior to the meet start date for closed, dual, tri or quad meets and 60 days prior the meet start date for all other type meets). Requests for additional meets that are made after the sanction request deadline shall be assessed a late fee in addition to the sanction fee as detailed in the summary chart in section 204~~.6~~. Meet requests within 8 days of the meet start date will not be considered. The Scheduling Coordinator shall have the authority to approve or reject any additional meets submitted for scheduling approval. A club may appeal any rejection or fine to the Operations Committee.