

Proposed Legislation
To be Considered by the
House of Delegates
Fall 2025

Block A				
Number	Subject	Effective Date	Req'd	Pull
R-01	Clarify entry fees	Immediate	50%	
R-02	Travel expenses increase	Immediate	50%	
R-03	Expand travel expenses reimbursement to Para Camps	Immediate	50%	

Block B				
Number	Subject	Effective Date	Req'd	Pull
R-04	Clarify Junior and Senior differentiation in Glossary	Immediate	66.6%	
R-05	Update Athlete Board Representative election guidelines to reflect current practices	Immediate	66.6%	
R-06	Clarify Athlete Committee make up and reflect current election practices	Immediate	66.6%	

R-01

ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Clarify entry fees

Rationale: Clarification of what entry fees include

Submitted by: Sanctioning Committee

Effective Date: Immediately

205.3. PAYMENT OF FEES

.1 & .2 No Changes

- .3 The Entry Fee Assessment of total entry fees (to include but not limited to regular, late, and time trials) for sanctioned and approved meets, is to be identified as 'Assessment Fee of Entry Fees' and must be paid according to the following schedule:
- A. National Championships: 0%
 - B. Sectional and Zone Championships: 0%
 - C. Senior, Age Group and Senior/Age Group meets, year-round: 8%
 - D. Open Water Meets: 0%

R-02

ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Travel expenses increase

Rationale: Growing balance in travel fund and increased cost of travel expenses.

Submitted by: Jon Fox, Treasurer

Effective Date: Effective Immediately

211.3 ATHLETE FUNDING

.5 USA SWIMMING CAMP SELECTIONS

A. USA Swimming Camps will be reimbursed as follows:

1. National Select Camp ~~\$200~~ \$300
2. National Open Water Select Camp ~~\$200~~ \$300
3. Zone Select Camp ~~\$200~~ \$300
4. Zone Diversity Select Camp ~~\$200~~ \$300

B. Swimmers selected to represent North Carolina Swimming at USA Swimming Camps must be registered year-round NCS athletes but are exempt from other funding requirements.

C. Athletes must travel to and participate in a camp to receive reimbursement.

D. Athletes whose camp attendance is funded by USA Swimming are not eligible for additional reimbursement from NCS.

E. Camps do not count toward a meet season limit

211.5 REIMBURSEMENT LEVELS

.1 Winter Championship Season

A. USA Swimming Winter Junior Nationals ~~\$400~~ \$500

B. USA Swimming Winter Senior Nationals / US Open ~~\$550~~ \$650

.2 Summer Championship Season

A. Southern Age Group Zone Meet Funds are determined by the North Carolina Swimming Board of Directors

B. Southern Zone Open Water Championship Funds are determined by the North Carolina Swimming Board of Directors

C. USA Swimming Summer Junior Nationals ~~\$550~~ \$650

D. USA Swimming Summer Senior Nationals ~~\$650~~ \$750

E. USA Swimming Summer Senior Nationals/World Championship Trials ~~\$650~~ \$750

F. USA Swimming US Open ~~\$650~~ \$750

G. USA Swimming Open Water Nationals and Open Water Junior Nationals ~~\$250~~ \$400

H. USA Swimming Olympic Team Trials

1. \$650 plus a per diem of eighty (\$80) per day.

2. Swimmers qualified and participating in one (1) event shall receive three (3) days per diem.
3. Swimmers qualified and participating in two (2) events shall receive five (5) days per diem.
4. Swimmers qualified and participating in three (3) or more events shall receive eight (8) days per diem.

.3 & .4 No Changes

R-03

ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: To provide athletes with disabilities and their coaches that are members of North Carolina Swimming and USA Swimming with travel funds for US Para Camps, Nationals, and US Paralympic Trials

Rationale: Just as we provide travel assistance for able bodied athletes who qualify for National level meets (Junior Nationals to Olympic Trials), we should provide the parallel accommodations for athletes with disabilities for those same level meets in the Para sector.

Submitted by: Tom Hazelett, YOTA Swim Team

Effective Date: Immediately

211.3 ATHLETE FUNDING

.1 through .4 No Changes

.5 ~~USA SWIMMING~~ CAMP SELECTIONS

A. USA Swimming Camps will be reimbursed as follows:

1. National Select Camp \$200
2. National Open Water Select Camp \$200
3. Zone Select Camp \$200
4. Zone Diversity Select Camp \$200

B. PARA CAMP SELECTIONS

1. U.S. Para National Camps (Emerging, National Team) \$200

C. Swimmers selected to represent North Carolina Swimming at USA Swimming Camps must be registered year-round NCS athletes but are exempt from other funding requirements.

D. Athletes must travel to and participate in a camp to receive reimbursement.

E. Athletes whose camp attendance is funded by USA Swimming are not eligible for additional reimbursement from NCS.

F. Camps do not count toward a meet season limit.

.6 through .7 No Changes

211.4 COACH FUNDING *No Changes*

211.5 REIMBURSEMENT LEVELS

.1 *No changes*

.2 Summer Championship Season

- A. Southern Age Group Zone Meet Funds are determined by the North Carolina Swimming Board of Directors
- B. Southern Zone Open Water Championship Funds are determined by the North Carolina Swimming Board of Directors
- C. USA Swimming Summer Junior Nationals \$550
- D. USA Swimming Summer Senior Nationals \$650
- E. USA Swimming Summer Senior Nationals/World Championship Trials \$650

- F. USA Swimming US Open \$650
- G. USA Swimming Open Water Nationals and Open Water Junior Nationals \$250
- H. USA Swimming Olympic Team Trials
 - 1. \$650 plus a per diem of eighty (\$80) per day.
 - 2. Swimmers qualified and participating in one (1) event shall receive three (3) days per diem.
 - 3. Swimmers qualified and participating in two (2) events shall receive five (5) days per diem.
 - 4. Swimmers qualified and participating in three (3) or more events shall receive eight (8) days per diem.

.3 Para National Meets

A. U.S. Para Nationals \$550

B. U.S. Paralympic Trials

- 1. \$650 plus a per diem of \$80 per day where the athlete is competing in an individual event

.4 *NCS will not fund athlete or coach travel to USA Swimming meets not listed here.*

.5 *NCS will not fund athlete or coach travel to non-USA Swimming events.*

R-04

ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: Adds the roles of Senior Athlete Board Rep and Junior Athlete Board Rep to the bylaws, which were previously not in.

Rationale: Better defines the wording surrounding the athlete committee.

Submitted by: Athlete Committee

Effective Date: Effective Immediately

14.2 DEFINITIONS - When used in these Bylaws, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated in this Section, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms.

.1 ARTICLE - a principal subdivision of these Bylaws.

.2 ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION - the document filed with the Secretary of State of North Carolina pursuant to which NCS was formed.

.3 JUNIOR/SENIOR ATHLETE BOARD REPRESENTATIVE - an Athlete Member elected to represent athletes in the House of Delegates and on the Board of Directors.

.4 ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE – shall be (a) an athlete member in good standing; (b) currently competing, or have completed within the two (2) immediately preceding years, in a USA Swimming sanctioned event conducted by NCS or another LSC; and (c) have their 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).

.5 Board Member - a member of the Board of Directors, including the At-Large Board Members.

.6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS -the Board of Directors of NCS.

.7 BYLAWS -these bylaws as adopted and amended from time to time by, and in effect for, NCS.

.8 COACH REPRESENTATIVE - a Coach Member elected to represent the coaches in the House of Delegates and on the Board of Directors.

.9 GROUP MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE - an individual appointed to represent a Group Member in the House of Delegates.

.10 HOUSE OF DELEGATES -the House of Delegates of NCS as established by Article 4 of these Bylaws.

.11 IMMEDIATE PAST GENERAL CHAIR -the individual who is the immediate past General Chair of NCS.

.12 IRS CODE -the current United States Internal Revenue Code.

.13 LOCAL SWIMMING COMMITTEE / LSC - NCS as defined by the USA Swimming Corporate Bylaws.

.14 MEMBER - a Group Member or an Individual Member.

.15 NATIONAL BOARD OF REVIEW - the National Board of Review of USA Swimming established in accordance with the National Board of Review Procedures, pursuant to Policy 26.0 of the USA Swimming Operating Policy Manual. Where the context requires, a reference to the National Board of Review shall include a reference to the USA Swimming Board of Directors when that body is acting upon an appeal from the National Board of Review.

.16 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES - the principles, rules, and guidelines of NCS, as amended and adopted by the Board of Directors or the House of Delegates.

.17 National Coordinator-Board Member representing Individual members in good standing of North Carolina Swimming who are voting members of the USA Swimming House of Delegates or who are USA Swimming Committee Chairs.

.18 SECTION- a subdivision of the Articles of these Bylaws.

.19 TERRITORY -the geographic territory over which NCS has jurisdiction as a Local Swimming Committee.

.20 USA SWIMMING-USA Swimming, Inc., a Colorado nonprofit corporation which is the national governing body for the United States for the sport of swimming.

.21 NCS – North Carolina Swimming, the North Carolina not-for-profit corporation to which these Bylaws pertain.

~~.21~~ .22 WORLD AQUATICS -the international governing body for the sport of swimming

R-05

ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: The proposed change would make it official that the previous Junior Athlete Rep. will move to the Senior Athlete Rep.

Rationale: There has been conflicting information on whether the Junior Rep becomes senior or if the senior is elected; this is meant to clear that up. It will also ensure that the Senior Athlete Rep has had adequate experience since they will have served as a Junior Rep.

Submitted by: Athlete Committee

Effective Date: Effective Immediately

6.2 OTHER DIRECTORS

.1 ATHLETE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

~~Two (2)~~ One (1) Athlete Board Representatives shall be elected, ~~one~~ each year for a two-year term, serving the first year as the Junior Athlete Board Representative and automatically transitioning to serve the second year as the Senior Athlete Board Representative, or until their respective successors are elected. At the time of election, the Athlete Board 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 two (2) immediately preceding years, in a USA Swimming sanctioned event conducted by NCS or another LSC; and (d) have their 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 Board Representative shall be conducted annually during the Annual HOD, or other regularly scheduled meeting 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 Board 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.

.2 & .3 No Changes

R-06

ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

Summary: The proposed change would make it official that the previous Junior Athlete Rep. will move to the Senior Athlete Rep.

Rationale: There has been conflicting information on whether the Junior Rep becomes senior or if the senior is elected; this is meant to clear that up. It will also ensure that the Senior Athlete Rep has had adequate experience since they will have served as a Junior Rep.

Submitted by: Athlete Committee

Effective Date: Effective Immediately

7.4 STANDING COMMITTEES & COORDINATORS

.1 ATHLETES COMMITTEE –

A. CHAIR - The Senior Athlete Board Representative or their designee shall be the chair of the committee.

B. MEMBERS - The Athletes Committee shall consist of the Senior Athlete Board Representative, the Junior Athlete Board Representatives, ~~the~~ Athlete At-Large Board members and ~~the~~ Group Member Athlete Representatives. The Junior Athlete Representative and At-Large Board members are to be appointed by each Group Member pursuant to Section 4.1.1.

C. DUTIES - The Athletes' Committee shall have general charge of the business and affairs of the Athletes of NCS, and shall undertake such activities (a) delegated to it by the Board of Directors or the General Chair or (b) undertaken by the Committee as being in the best interests of the Athlete Members, NCS, USA Swimming and the sport of swimming.