

Report of the Rules Committee
Chairman - Tom Boak
September 22, 1995

The Rules Committee met on September 22, 1995 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.
The following items were discussed:

EMERGENCY LEGISLATION (Approved, requires 90% vote)
Championship

104.4.2 Payments-Successful bidders...in the meet. Upon compliance with the conditions set forth in the meet contract, the sum of \$2.00 per entrant shall be returned as stipulated in the contract. Non compliance with said conditions, as determined by the Meet Evaluation Committee within thirty days of the receipt of the final meet report, shall result in forfeiture of part or all of this amount. An additional amount of up to \$1.00 per entrant may be returned for outstanding performance by the host. ~~Noncompliance with said conditions, as determined by the Meet Evaluation Committee within thirty days of the receipt of the final meet report, shall result in part or all of this amount.~~

Records and Tabulation

105.5 **World Records** - Applications and documentation for World Records (25 meter and 50 meter courses only) shall be supplied to the USMS Records and Tabulation Chairman ~~within thirty days of the date of the swim~~ as detailed in Appendix B.

The Committee next reviewed proposed housekeeping changes submitted by the Rule Book Committee. Those which were deemed to be housekeeping will be changed for the next issue of the Rule Book. The balance of the changes will be restudied and resubmitted if appropriate.

Kathy Casey presented "Instructions for Submission for Proposed Rules Changes". After discussion, it was agreed that the idea was sound and helpful, and that Tom Boak and Kathy Casey will work on formatting the final document for use during the coming year.

During the past year, the Rules Committee reviewed the Rule Book by section, and compiled a list of problem areas. During the next month, the document will be sent to each of the members of the Committee for consideration and vote. A final document will then be generated for submission at next years' Convention.

Ted Hartz presented a letter expressing two areas of concern over our stroke rules. It was agreed that the Rules Committee would redraft the Butterfly section to make it easier for Officials to interpret, and submit the proposed change to next years' Convention.

Kathy Casey noted that Article 102.1.1 (page 19) should also be included in Article 201.1 (page 51), specifically:

102.1.1 Swimmers 19 years of age and over may register with USMS.

Moved, seconded and passed to submit to Legislation for consideration by the House of Delegates.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.