



## **Swimming Canada Rule Updates – October 25, 2023**

### **Officials fault rule added to Part I:**

**I.6.1.6.2** If an error by an official follows a fault by a competitor, the fault by the competitor may be expunged. If an official's call on deck leads to a review of an athlete's potential infraction, and it is deemed that the athlete made no error, the athlete will be cleared of the inquiry. Additionally, if an error by a competitor follows a fault by an official, the fault of the competitor shall be expunged.

### **Masters added to provincial jurisdiction:**

**II.C1.0.3** Provincial Sections shall sanction all meets and time trials held within their jurisdiction. The PS may make special rules and regulations for age group, senior **and masters** events.

### **Updates to swimwear and taping rules:**

**C15.3.2** At a Swimming Canada National Competition, a committee shall be created to review ~~and approve~~ taping requests.

**C15.2.2** In all other sanctioned age group **and masters** swimming events, swimwear is exempt from compliance with the II.15 Swimwear and Wearables rules if the fabric of the swimwear is a permeable open mesh textile and would not reasonably be seen to create a technical advantage. Such swimwear includes a) a swimsuit that covers more of the body, or b) the use of a separate garment worn over or under a regular swimsuit.

### **Updated SNC rules regarding scratch deadlines and fines:**

**SNC 3.1** Scratch Deadlines shall be clearly stated in the Meet Information Package. Scratches without penalty may be made by submitting the online scratch form naming the swimmer or team and event no later than the scratch deadline as defined in the Meet Information Package.

#### **SNC 3.4 Penalties**

**SNC 3.4.2** Fines incurred during a Swimming Canada National Competition must be paid no later than 7 days after the final day of competition (i.e. if the



final day of competition is Sunday, August 6, fines must be paid by 11:59 PST on Sunday, August 13).

**SNC 3.4.3** Any fines not paid will be doubled and due immediately. Entry to future Swimming Canada National Competitions will not be permitted until fines are paid in full.