
Records and Tabulation

Committee Members

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Introduction

The Records and Tabulation Committee serves our members by ensuring that pool meet results are accurate and that rules, policies and standards are followed. The committee works closely with the National Top Ten Coordinator to review and verify the submitted LMSC Top Ten data and help finalize Individual and Relay USMS Top Ten for each course (SCM, SCY, LCM). The committee also supports the USMS National Recorder with the World Aquatic Masters Top Ten submissions and ongoing National and World record applications. Annually, the committee works with the National Top Ten Coordinator to compile the USMS All-American and All-Star rosters.

Discussions and Projects Since Last Annual Meeting

1. Established internal mentoring for first year committee members and external mentoring for first year LMSC TTRs.
2. Established a Rules, Policies, Guidelines work group that conducted a review of current R&T-related Rule Book articles and submitted proposed amendments to Rules, Legislation and Executive Committee. Several of the amendments were based on a review of the updated [USMS Guidelines for Rules, Policies and Guidelines](#).
3. A Documents work group was established and has completed recommended revisions to R&T-related documents found online in current USMS web pages. Some of the existing forms are planned to be migrated to electronic versions.
4. Top Ten Recorder Best Practices work group was established to examine the journey of pool meet results, compile input about the current process and develop webinar content for the Top Ten Recorder community.
5. An Event Results Processing work group was formed to partner with the National Office about planned software changes to TTR tools and databases. This work group maintains a list of current committee meet result processing system improvement priorities and stands ready to collaborate with the National Office on planned enhancements.
6. Walt Reid, current World Aquatics Masters Recorder, shared updates regarding meet eligibility requirements for World Aquatics Masters Records and Top10.
7. Work with Bethany Burchill, in her USMS National Recorder role, to set up a record application review process.

Action Items

1. Complete the remaining Documents work group reviews and updates.

2. Finalize content, schedule and deliver the TTR Best Practices webinar.
3. Attend upcoming Annual Meeting Legislation and Rules committee forums to speak to our proposed amendments.

Agenda

1. Check-in and introductions
2. Review any open action items
3. Committee focus area updates
 - Rules, Policies, Guidelines
4. Documents
5. Top Ten Recorder Best Practices
6. Meet Results Processing System enhancements
7. Audience Q&A

Records and Tabulations Committee Meeting

[Sunday, September 13, 2026 6:30pm-7:30pm EST | Zoom Registration Link](#)

Rules

Committee Members

Mollie Grover, Chair; Christina Fox, Vice Chair

Kathrine Casey, Marianne Hassan, John King, Claire Letendre, Susan Nolte, Eric Schmitt, Gerald Vandam, Jason Weis, Patrick Weiss, Kris Wingenroth, Rome Yount

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Introduction

The Rules Committee is responsible for ensuring the competitive rules in Part One of the USMS Rules and Regulations provide for fair and equitable competition in the best interests of all USMS members. The committee works throughout the year to ensure USMS members are informed of current rules, interpretations, and changes to rules. The committee accepts, considers, and reports proposed amendments to Part One and the Glossary to the USMS House of Delegates in conjunction with the USMS Annual Meeting. The committee held a late winter organizational call and then met three times in July and once in August to consider proposed amendments and prepare the pre-meeting delegate packet for the 2026 Annual Meeting.

Discussions and Projects Since Last Annual Meeting

1. The Chair answered rules questions from LMSC leaders, other standing committees, and general membership inquiries as received throughout the year.
2. The committee voted to approve the adoption of finish rules for freestyle, butterfly, and backstroke that were initiated by World Aquatics (AQUA).
3. The committee separately voted to approve the adoption of the remainder of the AQUA rule changes issued in 2026.

Action Items

1. Submit proposed amendments to the House of Delegates. Motions to reconsider proposed amendments are in order if additional work is required in committee meetings held in conjunction with the USMS Annual Meeting.
2. Prepare the final report for updates to the 2027 UMS Rules and Regulations following actions by the House of Delegates.
3. Discuss and vote on disposition of the housekeeping (HK) proposals (after the adjournment of the USMS Virtual Annual Meeting).
4. Support the editorial process for publication of the 2027 USMS Rules and Regulations.

Agenda

1. Approval of July 21st and August meeting minutes.
2. Review of fall schedule to deal with HK proposals.

Rules Committee Open Forum and Meeting

[Thursday, September 10th, 8:00pm-9:30pm EDT | Zoom Registration Link](#)