

TABLE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PART THREE RULES

The following proposed amendments to the USMS Rules of Competition were submitted to by the Long Distance Committee in accordance with Articles 601.2, 601.4.1, 601.4.5, and 601.4.7.

Comments are invited from delegates at the annual meeting on all proposed amendments. The committee may entertain motions to reconsider at the annual meeting in order to accommodate comments from delegates and additional actions before presentation to the House of Delegates.

Amendments which are recommended by the committee require a majority vote of the House of Delegates to adopt. Amendments which are not recommended by the committee require a 2/3 vote of the House of Delegates to adopt.

Number	Section	Description	Committee Action
LD-1	303.4.2 new E	Allows option to offer separate division for “traditional” swimwear in non-national championship swims	Tabled; withdrawn from consideration
LD-2	New 306.12; 307.8.3; 307.10.5	Allows altitude adjustment to postal swim results	Not Recommended
LD-3	307.7.4 new B	Requires photo ID at check-in for national championship swims	Recommended
LD-4	307.7.6B [1]	Allows option of starting both swimwear categories together in national championship swims when drafting is not allowed	Recommended
LD-5	307.12.1 [1]	Closes loophole that allows foreign swimmers to make the USMS Long Distance All-Star Team	Recommended
LD-6	307.12.1 [2]	Clarifies Long Distance All-Star requirement when a swim is cancelled	Recommended
LDHK-1	303.2.4	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-2	303.4.2C&D	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-3	303.4.3B	Uses more precise & clearer language	Recommended
LDHK-4	303.4.3D	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-5	303.7.4	Eliminates redundant word	Recommended
LDHK-6	303.8.5 & new 303.8.6	Splits current 303.8.5 into two articles for clarity	Recommended
LDHK-7	303.8.7	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-8	303.9.4	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-9	303.9.5	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-10	303.9.6	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-11	303.11.2	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended

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LDHK-12	303.12.1	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-13	304.1.1	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-14	305.6	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-15	305.8	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-16	307.2.1B	Corrects spelling	Recommended
LDHK-17	307.2.3B	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-18	307.3.4	Updates Championship Bid Rotation	Recommended
LDHK-19	307.7.3	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-20	307.7.5	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-21	307.7.6A	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-22	307.7.6B [2]	Updates internal rule reference	Recommended
LDHK-23	307.12. new 1	Creates parallel organization with other articles in this section	Recommended

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A. PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED: Require majority vote.

LD-1 303.4.3 new E Long Distance Committee p. 71 Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

Tabled and withdrawn from HOD consideration

LD-2 new 306.12, 307.8.3, 307.10.5 Colorado LMSC p. 78, 82-83 Add & Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

306.12 High Altitude Adjustment

306.12.1 Times achieved at an altitude of 3,000 feet and higher, may be adjusted for alternative results and scoring, in postal events of 1,500 meters or more. The adjusted times will not be considered for records or be the final official results for the event, because the adjustment is hypothetical.

306.12.2 The altitude adjustment for postal events of 1,500 meters or more will be based on the current time adjustment allowed for achieving qualification times in swims of 1,500 meters or 1,650 yards. The adjustment will be an extrapolation of the current time adjustment per 100 yard or meter in the 25 to 29 years old age group, both male and female, currently allowed in Appendix B.

Example of time extrapolation based on current postal championship events:

Swims at altitudes of 3,250 – 4,249 feet

Adjustment in seconds

<i>1,500 Meters</i>	<i>Basis Per 100 Meter</i>	<i>Adjustment 5,000 Meters</i>	<i>Adjustment 10,000 Meters</i>	<i>1,650 Yards</i>	<i>Basis Per 100 Yard</i>	<i>Adjustment 3,000 Yards</i>	<i>Adjustment 6,000 Yards</i>
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Swims at altitudes of 4,250 – 6,499 feet

Adjustment in seconds

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*Swims at altitudes of 6,500 feet and higher
Adjustment in seconds*

<i>1,500 Meters Appendix B</i>	<i>Basis Per 100 Meters</i>	<i>Adjustment 5,000 Meters</i>	<i>Adjustment 10,000 Meters</i>	<i>1,650 Yards Appendix B</i>	<i>Basis Per 100 Yards</i>	<i>Adjustment 3,000 Yards</i>	<i>Adjustment 6,000 Yards</i>
<i>32.5</i>	<i>2.17</i>	<i>108.33</i>	<i>216.67</i>	<i>32.5</i>	<i>1.969</i>	<i>59.09</i>	<i>118.18</i>

307.8.3 High altitude time adjusted alternative results shall be tabulated electronically by gender and age group. These results are not to be considered for records, all-American or top-ten consideration. The hypothetical results shall be posted on the USMS website. Adjusted times will be marked with an asterisk or alternative symbol, so that adjusted times are recognized as being adjusted. For each swimmer, the following information must be reported in this order:

- A. Age group place.
- B. Swimmer’s name (as it appears on the USMS membership card).
- C. Age.
- D. Club (official USMS club abbreviation).
- E. USMS number.
- F. Altitude adjusted time or official time if event not swum at altitude.
- G. Special information (overall place, place among gender, etc.).

307.10.5 High altitude mythical-adjusted age group or overall event finishers, finishing in 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in their respective category shall be awarded a certificate showing their respective adjusted finish in the event. This certificate shall be sent in either electronic or paper format to the finisher at the discretion of the event host.

***Rationale:** Swimming at altitudes of 3,250 feet and higher, results in a slower swim when the distance swum is 200 yards or more. Members who live at 3,250 feet and higher have less incentive to participate in postal competitions nationally, because there is no altitude adjustment for the time achieved in the swim. Allowing for a hypothetical time adjustment, alternative results, and certificate of achievement for those participating in a postal event at a high altitude, will increase competitiveness in the events and increase participation of swimmers who live at a high altitude.*

LD-3 307.7.4B Long Distance Committee p. 81 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

307.7.4 Eligibility

A Swimmers with one-event registrations shall not be eligible to compete in open water and postal national championships, nor shall they be eligible for records, All-American status, or any

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other USMS special awards. Such swimmers may be allowed to participate in a separate non-championship category in these swims.

B On the day of the championship swim, swimmers shall present their own photo ID at check-in to verify their identity.

Rationale: This proposal ensures that all swimmers are who they say that they are. Fraudulent replacement of another swimmer challenges the integrity of the swim and has potential consequences for USMS event insurance.

LD-4 307.7.6B Long Distance Committee p. 81 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
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B At the discretion of the event host, swimmers wearing category II swimwear as defined in articles 303.7.1 and 303.7.3 may participate in events containing national championship swims, but shall be excluded for the purposes of articles 307.8 through 308.1. In addition, category II competitors shall have a separate start time, unless drafting is prohibited under article 303.9.6.

Rationale: This proposal allows the option of starting both swimwear categories together in national championship swims when drafting is not allowed. The purpose of the separate start time rule is to prevent swimmers in the championship category from gaining advantage through drafting from swimmers in the non-championship category. If drafting is already prohibited under 303.3.6, this becomes moot. Allowing the same starting time in this instance gives the event host flexibility in organizing the start and strengthening the safety plan. Note that there is another unrelated proposal (LDHK-22) involving this article.

LD-5 307.12.1 Long Distance Committee p. 84 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

307.12.1 To be eligible for the All-Star Team, a USMS member swimmer shall legally complete at least three events, of which at least one shall be an open water event and at least one shall be a postal event.

Rationale: As the article reads now, a foreign-registered swimmer could be named to the USMS All-Star team, which was not the original intent of this article and which does not add value to USMS membership. Using parallel language with article 307.11.1, which currently limits All-American status to USMS members, this proposal would close that unintended loophole. Note that there is another unrelated proposal (LD-6) involving this article.

LD-6 307.12.1 Long Distance Committee p. 84 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

307.12.1 To be eligible for the All-Star Team, a swimmer shall legally complete at least three events, of which at least one shall be an open water event and at least one shall be a postal event. Cancellation of an open water championship shall not relieve the requirement of completing an open water event to qualify for the All-Star Team.

Rationale: For future possible event cancellations, this proposal will eliminate the confusion and debate that has accompanied previous event cancellations. Note that there is another unrelated proposal (LD-5) involving this article.

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B. PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED: Require 2/3s vote.

LD-2 new 306.12, 307.8.3, 307.10.5 Colorado LMSC p. 78, 82-83 Add & Modify

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307.10.5 High altitude mythical-adjusted age group or overall event finishers, finishing in 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in their respective category shall be awarded a certificate showing their respective adjusted finish in the event. This certificate shall be sent in either electronic or paper format to the finisher at the discretion of the event host.

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C. HOUSEKEEPING PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED: Require majority vote

LDHK-1 303.2.4 Long Distance Committee p. 69 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.2.4 Standard USMS swimwear scoring divisions consist of Category I and Category II swimwear as defined in article ~~303.7~~ 303.4.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-2 303.4.2C&D Long Distance Committee pp. 70-1 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

C Exemptions to the restrictions in articles ~~303.7.2A-B~~ 303.4.2A-B may be granted to a swimmer...

D Swimmers are not permitted to wear or use any device or substance to help their speed, pace, navigation, buoyancy, or endurance during a swim (such as wetsuits, webbed gloves, fins, snorkels, buoyant armbands, audio players, etc.). Medical identification items may be worn. Any

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kind of tape on the body or flat armband is not permitted unless approved by the referee. Any devices used to maintain body heat are not permitted, except for those listed in article ~~303.7.2A~~ 303.4.2A.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LD-HK-3 303.4.3B Long Distance Committee p. 71 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

B Wetsuits, neoprene caps, or any other heat-retaining swimwear may be allowed at the discretion of the event ~~director~~ host, but only when the water temperature is not greater than 78 degrees Fahrenheit.

Rationale: Housekeeping:

- (1) *“host”*: Properly speaking, this responsibility belongs to the event host, for whom the event director is usually (but not always) the acting agent. Therefore, this change is more precise (and flexible) than the previous language.
- (2) *“,but only”*: This addition amplifies that thermal gear may not be worn—for swimmer safety—when the water temperature is greater than 78 degrees Fahrenheit. Amplification is needed here to dispel confusion due to the difference in the 78° rule between the USMS rule and the USA-Triathlon rule (which allows thermal swimwear at water temperatures higher than 78 degrees F.).

LDHK-4 303.4.3D Long Distance Committee p. 71 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

D At the discretion of the event host, except for national championship swims, swimmers may be permitted or required to wear a personal buoy for identification and safety. Requirements for buoys as well as rules for the use of these devices will be included in the event information. Permitted personal buoys, if not required under ~~303.7.2.E~~ 303.4.2E, will be considered Category II Swimwear for purposes of placement and scoring.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-5 303.7.4 Long Distance Committee p. 72 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.7.4 Backup Timing and Judging—In open water swims in which electronic ~~chip~~ timing is used, an independently operating backup timing and judging system is required.

Rationale: Housekeeping (Redundant language; electronic timing may or may not include ‘chips’). There should always be a backup system.

LDHK-6 303.8.5 & 6 Long Distance Committee p. 73 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

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303.8.5 Make forward progress by pulling on or pushing off the venue bottom, other than near the start and finish and at specified locations.

303.8.6 Make forward progress by pulling, pushing, or maintaining contact on physical features and/or craft on or near the course, ~~other than the bottom near the start and finish and at specified locations.~~ Event hosts may choose to prohibit deliberate contact between swimmers and craft and physical features if it has been announced in the event information.

Rationale: Housekeeping. To clarify the USMS rule about contact with the bottom and bring it closer to the USA-Swimming rule on the same topic, this proposal splits the rule about contacting the bottom and the rule about contacting physical features and craft into two separate articles. This should make the USMS rule clearer to USA-Swimming open water officials, thus making officiating easier in dual-sanctioned events including swimmers from both NGBs. Renumber after.

LDHK-7 303.8.7 Long Distance Committee p. 73 Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.8.7 Violate rules on escorted swims as described in article ~~303.3.3~~ 303.9.3 or receive similar assistance from any craft on the course.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-8 303.9.4 Long Distance Committee p. 74 Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.9.4 If a swimmer’s escort craft becomes disabled as per article ~~303.3.1~~ 303.9.1, an escort craft for another swimmer may assume responsibility for the swimmer with the disabled escort craft, subject to the following conditions:

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-9 303.9.5 Long Distance Committee p. 74 Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.9.5 In any swim in which individual escorts are required and motorized escorts are allowed, drafting from any craft or other swimmers is prohibited. Swimmers must attempt to remain 3 meters or more from other swimmers, except when rounding buoys, when overtaking other swimmers when space is not readily available, when unescorted at the start and finish of the swim, and when the swimmer’s escort craft becomes disabled as per articles ~~301.3.1~~ 303.9.1 and ~~303.3.4~~ 303.9.4. Incidental or accidental incursion into the 3-meter zone of another swimmer shall not be the basis for disqualification.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-10 303.9.6 Long Distance Committee p. 74 Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
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HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated
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303.9.6 In any swim in which individual escorts are required and nonmotorized escorts are used, the event host may choose to allow drafting or prohibit drafting in accordance with article ~~303.3.5~~ 303.9.5.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-11 303.11.2 Long Distance Committee p. 75 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.11.2 If a swim is stopped and swimmers are removed from the water for their safety, the referee, with the agreement of the safety director, shall determine if the swim is to be restarted or considered official. If the referee determines the swim to be official, article ~~303.9.2~~ 303.8.2 may be waived and the referee shall determine the order of finish of the swimmers who had not finished when the swim was stopped.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-12 303.12.1 Long Distance Committee p. 75 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

303.12.1 Any protest arising from an open water swim (other than national championship swims—refer to article 307.7.8) shall be made to the event referee within 30 minutes after the release of results at the venue. If results are not released in a timely manner, a protest may be made to the event director in writing within three days after all swimmers are notified of the release of results. If the protest is not resolved, the protester may appeal in writing promptly to the LMSC. If the LMSC does not satisfactorily resolve the protest, the protestor may appeal in writing promptly to the USMS Long Distance Committee chair.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-13 304.1.1 Long Distance Committee p. 75 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

304.1.1 Conduct of noncompetitive swims shall be at the discretion of the event host, as long as they conform to article 301, 302.2.2, ~~303.2~~ 303.1, and ~~303.8~~ 303.3.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-14 305.6 Long Distance Committee p. 76 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

305.6 Age Groups

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Age groups in individual and relay events for men and women shall be the same as the standard USMS age group scoring divisions (listed in article ~~303.1.3~~ 303.2.3).

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-15 305.8 Long Distance Committee p. 76 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

305.8 Protests

Any protest arising from a long distance pool swim (other than National Championship swims—refer to article ~~307.7.9~~ 307.7.8) shall be made to the referee within 30 minutes after the release of results at the venue. If results are not released in a timely manner, a protest may be made to the event director in writing within 3 days after all swimmers are notified of the release of results. If the protest is not resolved, the protester may appeal in writing promptly to the LMSC. If the LMSC does not satisfactorily resolve the protest, the protestor may appeal in writing promptly to the USMS Long Distance Committee chair.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-16 307.2.1B Long Distance Committee p. 78 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

B ~~Multi-championship~~ Multi-championship swim festivals,

Rationale: Housekeeping (spelling).

LDHK-17 307.2.3B Long Distance Committee p. 79 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

B Age groups for relay swims shall be the same as those listed in article ~~303.1.3B~~ 303.2.3B.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-18 307.3.4 Long Distance Committee p. 80 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

National Championship Bid Rotation (see 307.2.2 for distance definitions)			
Year	Area 1 West	Area 2 Central	Area 3 East
2019	Middle Distance Ultra-Marathon Distance	2-mile cable Marathon Distance	Sprint Distance Long Distance Festival
2020	Sprint Distance	Middle Distance	2-mile cable

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	Long Distance Festival	Ultra-Marathon Distance	Marathon Distance
2021	2-mile cable Marathon Distance	Sprint Distance Long Distance Festival	Middle Distance Ultra-Marathon Distance
<u>2022</u>	<u>Middle Distance Ultra-Marathon Distance</u>	<u>2-mile cable Marathon Distance</u>	<u>Sprint Distance Long Distance Festival</u>

Rationale: Annual Update

LDHK-19 307.7.3 Long Distance Committee p. 81 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

307.7.3 Officials—In addition to the officials required by article ~~303.8~~ 303.3, the following officials are required for national championship events:

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-20 307.7.5 Long Distance Committee p. 81 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

307.7.5 Age Groups—Age groups in open water swims shall be the standard USMS age groups in article ~~303.1.3~~ 303.2.3.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

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Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

A Only swimmers wearing category I swimwear as defined in articles ~~303.7.1~~ 303.4.1 and ~~303.7.2~~ 303.4.2 may compete in national championship swims.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight.

LDHK-22 307.7.6B Long Distance Committee p. 81 Modify

Committee Action:	Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action:	Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

B At the discretion of the event host, swimmers wearing category II swimwear as defined in articles ~~303.7.1~~ 303.4.1 and ~~303.7.3~~ 303.4.3 may participate in events containing national championship swims, but shall be excluded for the purposes of articles 307.8 through 308.1. In addition, category II competitors shall have a separate start time.

Rationale: Housekeeping (updates internal rule reference): after reorganization, this reference was not updated. This proposal corrects that oversight. Note that there is another unrelated proposal (LD-4) involving this article.

LDHK-23 307.12.1-3 Long Distance Committee p. 84 Reorganization

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Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

307.12.1 A USMS All-Star Team shall be selected each calendar year from the official results of the USMS open water and postal national championship events.

Rationale: Housekeeping (parallel organization). This article should be included in the list format with the following articles. Renumber after.

D. PROPOSALS TABLED & WITHDRAWN FROM HOUSE OF DELEGATE CONSIDERATION

LD-1 303.4.3 new E Long Distance Committee p. 71 Modify

Committee Action: Recommended	Recommended as Amended	Not Recommended
HOD Action: Adopted	Adopted as Amended	Defeated

Tabled and withdrawn from HOD consideration