

2004-05 Swimming and Diving Rules Changes

- 1-3-15 & 16 Define a dive as beginning when the diver assumes a starting position and ending when the diver has passed below the surface of the water.
- Rule 2 The NFHS does not perform scientific tests on any specific items of equipment to determine if the equipment poses undue risks to student-athletes, coaches, officials or spectators. Such determinations are the responsibility of equipment manufacturers.
- 2-7-2 When starting platforms are used, the minimum water depth for racing starts shall be measured from the end of the pool to a distance at least 16'5" (5 meters) from the end wall.
- 2-7-5 Proper distance for placement of backstroke flags for 25 yard pools is 5 yards, and for 25 meter pools is 5 meters.
- 3-2-5 For relay events in all meets, the coach shall submit to the referee or the referee's designee, the name of the lead off swimmer for the relay, not later than the conclusion of the race.
- 3-3 PEN When it is discovered during his/her dive, that a diver is wearing illegal attire or jewelry, he/she shall be disqualified from the event.
- 4-2-2j During the meet, the responsibility of the referee is to determine if there is a need for the integration of backup times.
- 4-6-2 Dual confirmation may be used for all meets.
- 4-6-3 Dual confirmation is recommended for relays.
- 6-4-1 When the referee determines there is a malfunction of the primary timing system, and determines the need for integrated back-up times, the back up times(s) shall be adjusted for the timing system difference before integrating them with the accurate primary times and determining the official times and order of finish.
- 8-2-5 In the individual medley, each section must be finished in accordance with the rule which applies to the style concerned.
- Rule 9 Dives 5121, 5131, 5421
- Editorial Changes: 2-7 Chart; 3-2-2; 3-2-3;3-2-4; 3-2-6; 3-2-7; 3-3 PEN 1; 4-6c; 9-3-3b; 9-3-4