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To: USA Swimming Registered Coaches
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USA Swimming Board of Directors

From: Bruce W. Stratton, Chair, USA Swimming Rules & Regulations Committee

Subject: Approved Swimwear

On May 19, 2009, FINA issued a list of swimsuits approved for competition. The approved list, which was effective immediately and is attached, includes 202 swimsuits. The Rules and Regulations Committee, under the provisions of Article 511.1, has the authority to alter or amend any provision of Part One of our rules to conform to the rules of FINA. Accordingly, effective immediately, Article 102.9 is amended as follows:

102.9.1A: Only swimwear approved by FINA, as reflected on its published list of approved swimwear, may be worn in any USA Swimming sanctioned or approved competition.

(Existing subsections A, B, and C of Article 102.9.1 shall be redesignated as subsections B, C and D, respectively.)

Since the FINA approved list only addressed new model swimsuits submitted by swimsuit manufacturers, swimmers will, until otherwise directed by FINA, also be able to wear traditional swimsuits not on the FINA approved list as long as the swimsuit meets the following criteria:

1. For female swimmers, the swimsuit shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulders or past the pelvis, and
2. For male swimmers, the swimsuit shall not extend above the navel or below the knees.

In addition to the 202 approved swimsuits on the attached FINA list, there were an additional 136 swimsuits that could be resubmitted to FINA for reconsideration and possible approval. The expected decision date for such approval is June 19, 2009. At such time as FINA publishes any list of additional swimsuits approved for competition, those additional swimsuits will also be approved for USA Swimming sanctioned or approved competitions.

FINA has also declared that only those permitted swimsuit models that are available to all World Championship competitors may be used at the FINA 2009 World Championships in Rome. To be consistent with this FINA requirement, only those permitted swimsuit models that are available to all competitors may be used at the USA Swimming World Championship Trials to be held July 7-11, 2009, or at the USA Swimming Open Water World Championship Trials to be held June 14, 2009. To avoid confusion, availability is defined as follows:

1. The swimsuit manufacturer is present at the USA Swimming World Championship Trials and/or USA Swimming Open Water World Championship Trials with its approved swimsuits available for all competitors on a purchase, loan, give-away or other basis, or
2. The swimsuit manufacturer has provided to USA Swimming a written representation in the form requested by USA Swimming that its approved swimsuit will be made available before July 7, 2009 to all World Championship Trials competitors and before June 14, 2009 to all Open Water Championship Trials competitors on a purchase, loan, or give-away basis through retail stores, the internet, or other means. USA Swimming will publish a list of swimsuit manufacturers who have made this representation once they are received. Competitors may rely on this list as approval to wear a particular swimsuit model at either of the World Championship Trials.

Any questions regarding the adoption of this new rule may be addressed to the Chair of the Rules & Regulations Committee. Any questions specifically regarding swimwear at World Championship Trials or Open Water World Championship Trials should be addressed to our National Team Head Coach/General Manager



Bruce W. Stratton, Chair
USA Swimming Rules & Regulations Committee

News

FINA 2009 List of Approved Swimsuits

Press Releases Federations News	The FINA Commission in charge of the swimwear approval, formed by representatives of the FINA Executive, FINA Technical Swimming Committee, FINA Coaches Commission, FINA Athletes Commission, and FINA Legal Councillor had a meeting on May 18, 2009 in Lausanne (SUI) and after reviewing 348 swimsuits from 21 manufacturers forwarded its proposal to the FINA Executive, who decided or approved the following swimsuits models (this list is valid until December 31, 2009): <i>(last update : 25.05.2009)</i>		
Calendar			
Directory			
Bios & Stats	Adidas	TechfitPowerweb	S8140602BJ B85779 full
Development		TechfitPowerweb	S8140603BJ B85777SL full
Antidoping		TechfitPowerweb	S8140609BJ B85762 full - knee
Media Room		TechfitPowerweb	S8140607BJ B85768 pants - long
Media Player		TechfitPowerweb	S8140606BJ B85771 pants - short
Publications	Agon Sport L.L.C.	2009	full - knee
		2009	pants - long
		2009	pants - short
	Akron SRL	Halifax	Allison full
		Halifax	Buster full
		Halifax	Ark pants - long
	Arena Italia S.p.A.	Powerskin	2512450 full
		Powerskin	2512850 full
		Powerskin	2512550 full
		Powerskin	2710650 pants - long
		Powerskin	2906850 classic
		Powerskin	2710550 pants-short
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2522850 full
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2522750 full
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2522650 full
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2786650 full - knee
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2522550 full - knee
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2522450 full - knee
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2786250 pants - long
		Powerskin R-Evolution	2786550 pants-short
		Powerskin R-evolution +	2525650 full
		Powerskin R-evolution +	2525450 full
		Powerskin R-evolution +	2525350 full
		Powerskin R-evolution +	2525750 full - knee
		Powerskin R-evolution +	2525550 full - knee
		Powerskin R-evolution +	2790050 pants - long
		Powerskin X-treme	2513850 full
		Powerskin X-treme	2514350 full
		Powerskin X-treme	2513950 full
		Powerskin X-treme	2513750 full - knee
		Powerskin X-treme	2514450 full - knee
		Powerskin X-treme	2514250 full - knee
		Powerskin X-treme	2731750 pants - long
		Powerskin X-treme	2925450 classic
		Powerskin X-treme	2737650 pants-short
	Asics Corporation	TIL	ALS503 full
		TIL	ALS505 full
		TIL	AMA503 pants - long
		TIL	AMA502 pants - short
		TIL	ALS502 pants - short
		TIL	ALS500 classic
		TIL	ALS504 classic

	TIL	AMA501	classic
	TIL	ALS501	classic
	TIL - Cloth	AMX964-4	full
	TIL - Cloth	ALX964-5	full
	TIL - Cloth	ALX964-6	full
	TIL - Cloth	AMX964-3	pants - long
	TIL - Functional Layered System	AMA515	full
	TIL - Functional Layered System	ALS515	full
	TIL - Functional Layered System	AMA516	pants - long
	TIL - Functional Layered System	AMA511	inner tights
	TIL - Functional Layered System	ALS511	inner tights
	TIL - Functional Layered System	AMA510	inner top
	TIL - Functional Layered System	ALS510	inner top
	TIL +	AMX1087	full
	TIL +	AMX1087-2	full
	TIL +	AMX1087	full
	TIL +	AMX1098	full
	TIL +	AMX1086	full
	TIL +	AMX1085	full
	TIL +	ALX1085-2	full
	TIL +	ALX1085	full
	TIL +	ALX1086	full
	TIL +	ALX1098	full
	TIL +	AMX1088	pants - long
	TIL +	AMX1088-2	pants - long
	TIL +	AMX1088	pants - long
	TIL +	AMX1083	classic
	TIL +	ALX1083	classic
Descente LTD	III jan09		full
	III jan09		full
	III jan09		full
	III jan09		full - knee
	III jan09		pants - long
	III jan09		pants - short
	IV jan09		full
	IV jan09		full
	IV jan09		full
	IV jan09		full - knee
	IV jan09		pants - long
	IV jan09		pants - short
	I mar09		full
	I mar09		pants - long
	I mar09		full
	I mar09		full
	I mar09		classic
	I mar09		full - knee
	I mar09		classic
	I mar09		pants - short
	III mar09		full
	III mar09		full
	III mar09		full
	III mar09		full - knee
	III mar09		pants - long
	III mar09		pants - short
	III mar09		classic
Diana Sport	Submarine Shinning Arrow	232M SA	full
	Submarine Shinning Arrow	250W SA	full
	Submarine Shinning Arrow	251W SA	full
	Submarine Shinning Arrow	233M SA	full - knee
	Submarine Shinning Arrow	253W SA	full - knee

	Submarine Shinning Arrow	230M SA	pants - long
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	202M	full
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	210W	full
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	221W	full
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	203M	full - knee
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	213W	full - knee
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	200M	pants - long
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	201M	pants - short
	Submarine Thermo Fusion	219W	classic
Finis Inc.	Amphibian		pants - long
	Amphibian	ATS8-LTM28	pants - long
	Amphibian	ATS8-JM28	pants - short
	Amphibian Long John	ATS8-LJM32	full
	Amphibian Long John	ATS8-LJF30	full
	Amphibian Short John	ATS8-SJM31	full - knee
	Amphibian Short John	ATS8-SJF30	full - knee
	Hydrospeed 2 Brief	1.10.131.101.28	classic
	Hydrospeed 2 Clipback	1.10.024.101.28	classic
	Hydrospeed 2 Jammer	1.10.132.101.28	pants - short
	Hydrospeed 2 Race John	1.10.025.101.28	full - knee
Jaked SRL	J03		full
	J03		pants - long
Kiwami	Kameleon		full - knee
Mizuno Corporation	Accel Suits		full
	Accel Suits		pants - long
	SST	85RB-100	full
	SST	85RB-101	full
	SST	85OB-100	full
	SST	85OB-110	
	SST	85OB-111	full
	SST	85RB-10009	full
	SST	85RD-100	pants - short
	SST	85RC-100	pants - long
	Water Gene	85RB-850	full
	Water Gene	85OB-850	full
	Water Gene	85OB-851	full
	Water Gene	85OC-850	full - knee
	Water Gene	85OD-850	pants - long
	Water Gene	85RC-850	
	Water Gene	85RD-850	
Orca	RS1	men	full - knee
	RS1	women	full - knee
Rocket Science Sports	Rocket Light		classic
	Rocket Light		
	Rocket Sprinter		
	Rocket Sprinter		
	Rocket Trainer		classic
	Rocket Trainer		
	Rocket 2skin		full
Sailfish GmbH	Sailfish furious		full - knee
	Sailfish furious long		full
Speedo	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05887	full
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05889	full
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05892	classic
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05891	pants - short
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05890	pants - long
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05886	full
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05885	full - knee
	FastskinXT (Flying Fish)	8-05888	classic
	LZR Racer (Male BNA)	8-018030001	full

	LZR Racer (Legskin)	8-018040001	pants - long
	LZR Racer (Jammer)	8-018050001	pants - short
	LZR Racer Pro Body Skin No Arms		full
	LZR Racer Pro Body Skin No Arms		full
	LZR Racer Pro Jammer		pants - short
	LZR Racer Pro Leg Skin		pants - long
	LZR Racer Pro Record Breaker		classic
	LZR Racer Pro Record Breaker Body		full
	LZR Racer Pro Record Breaker Knee Skin		full - knee
	Japanese LZR Hybrid	SPE015	full
	Japanese LZR Hybrid	SPE015	full
	Japanese LZR Hybrid	SPE015	full - knee
	Japanese LZR Hybrid	SPE015	pants - long
	Japanese LZR Hybrid	SPE015	pants-short
	Fastskin Pro	8 008093218	pants - short
	Fastskin Pro	8 008133218	full
	Fastskin Pro	8 008153218	classic
	Fastskin Pro	8 008143218	full - knee
	Fastskin Pro	8 008053218	full
	Aquablade	8 205157031	classic
	Aquablade	10 072 7031	classic
	Aquablade	8 101077031	pants - short
	Fastskin	8 100090001	pants - short
	Fastskin	8 100080001	pants - long
	Fastskin	8 202230001	full - knee
Sports Hig	F-09		full
	M-12		pants- long
	M-01A		pants- long
	M-10		pants- long
	M-08		pants- long
Tyr Sports Inc.	Tracer Light	A12	full
	Tracer Rise	A10	full
		A7	full
Yamamotohokosyo Corporation	YH-M-F		pants - long
	YH-M-F2		pants - long

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