

# WISCONSIN SWIMMING, INC.

Title: Fines

Policy Number: 11

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April 26, 2005	11.3.2, 11.3.4 and 11.3.11

**SCOPE:** This policy provides direction to LSC members relating to potential fines that may be levied by the LSC.

**11.1 Levying Fines:** Wisconsin Swimming, Inc. provides for and allows for a fines levied on an individual member and/or group member for a violation of Rules or Bylaws of WSI or USA Swimming. The General Chairman, Administrative Chairman, or Registration Coordinator, or their designees may levy fines. The interested party may appeal any fine to the LSC Review Board. (Refer to the WSI Bylaws for appeal procedures.) These fines are recommendations only and may be increased for repeat violations.

## **11.2 Registration Fines**

**11.2.1 \$50** Athlete competes in a sanctioned Meet and is not a USA Swimming registered athlete member. The fine is assessed, for each infraction, i.e., for each event in which the athlete competed, against the:

- A. Group member, if the athlete competes as an athlete member of that group or the group member entered the athlete into the Meet; or
- B. Athlete, if the athlete competes as an unattached athlete and submitted his/her own Meet entry(ies).

**11.2.2 \$50** Person coaches at a sanctioned Meet and is not a USA Swimming registered coach member. The fine is assessed against the person.

**11.2.3 \$50** Person officiates at a sanctioned Meet and is not a USA Swimming registered official member. The fine is assessed against the person.

**11.2.4 \$50** Person functions as a group member's Safety Coordinator and is not a USA Swimming registered non-athlete member. The fine is assessed against the group member.

**11.2.5 \$50** Athlete competes in a sanctioned Meet as a USA Swimming registered athlete member of a specific USA Swimming group member and, in fact, is not eligible to represent that group member. The fine is assessed against the group member for each infraction, i.e., each event in which the athlete competed. In addition, the athlete member shall:

- A. Serve one hundred twenty (120) days as an “unattached” athlete from the date of the infraction; and
- B. Be ineligible for membership in the group member until the group member pays the fine.

**11.2.6** \$100 Athlete competes in a sanctioned Meet as a member of a relay team as a USA Swimming registered athlete member of a specific group member and, in fact, is not eligible to represent that group member. The fine is assessed against the group member. In addition,

- A. The athlete shall:
  - Serve one hundred twenty (120) days as an “unattached” athlete from the date of the infraction; and
  - Be ineligible for membership in the group member until the group member pays the fine.
- B. The relay team shall be disqualified, except that the lead-off swimmer’s time remains an official time, provided that this swimmer was a registered athlete member of USA Swimming.

**11.2.7** \$50 A group member enters an athlete into a sanctioned Meet and that swimmer is not a USA Swimming registered athlete member or is a registered athlete member of another group member. The fine is assessed against the group member. To compete, the swimmer must comply with USA Swimming registration requirements for a new or transferring athlete and the group member must pay the fine.

### **11.3 Meet Sanction Fines**

11.3.1 \$75 Meet Host fails to obtain a Meet sanction prior to distribution of Meet Information.

11.3.2 \$50 Meet Host fails to e-mail LSC Registration Coordinator the “Meet Back-up” and SDI format file containing an export of USA Swimming registration data, as specified in 2.4.4, within seven (7) days of the last day of Meet.

11.3.3 \$50 Meet Host fails to adhere to sanctioned Meet Information or fails to adhere to the information presented to the LSC in the group member’s Meet Bid.

11.3.4 \$50 Meet Host fails to send Meet Information to all WSI group members or to post Meet Information on the on the LSC website, when reservations are not accepted.

11.3.5 \$50 Meet Host fails to submit Meet Financial Report to WIS Treasurer within twenty-one (21) days of the Meet.

11.3.6 \$50 Meet Host fails to format Meet Final Results properly. In addition, the Meet Host must correct the format and distribute the corrected Meet Final Results to all teams

participating in the Meet and to all WSI officers on the Meet Final Results distribution list.

11.3.7. \$50 Meet Host fails to send Meet Final Results to all participating teams and WSI Officers on the Meet Final Results distribution list within fourteen (14) days of the Meet. This fine increases by \$25 for each additional week of delay. (One week is defined as days one through seven.)

11.3.8 \$50 Meet Hosts fails to register its Meet Director or Meet Marshal(s) as USA Swimming non-athlete members.

11.3.9 \$300 Meet Host fails to hold a group member's reservation check until the Meet entry due date.

11.3.10 \$50 Meet Host fails to send Meet Information at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the entry deadline.

11.3.11 \$50 Meet Host fails to send by mail or e-mail, as requested by the LSC Officer, Meet Heat Sheets, Meet Final Results, or other Meet reports, as specified in 2.4.4, and which are conditions of receiving a Meet sanction or approval.

**11.4 Other Fines**

**11.4.1** The aforementioned fines are not all inclusive.

**11.4.2** A fine may be levied for a violation not mentioned above, if the violation is determined not to be in the best interest of competitive swimming.

**11.5 Payment of Fine**

**11.5.1** Failure to pay a fine means:

- A. The athlete is unable to compete.
- B. A Meet Host is unable to obtain another Meet sanction.

**11.5.2** Fines are payable to Wisconsin Swimming, Inc. and sent to the LSC Treasurer for deposit for the LSC's general operations.

Revisions

April 27, 2004	11.2.6	Add fine for entering a non-registered swimmer in a Meet
	11.10	Move part of 2.4.1 regarding refunding any unused reservation moneys to this section
June 22, 2004	11.2.4	Add fine for not have a registered member for Club's Safety Coordinator
	11.5	Add Rule and re-number and specify depositing fines and failure to pay fine
April 26, 2005	11.3.2	Replaced host requirement for checking registration
	11.3.4	Post information rather than mail
	11.3.5	Aid treasurer in gaining compliance with sanction requirements