

## CSI PROCEDURES FOR CUTTING OVERSUBSCRIBED MEETS

- 8 & Under Meets:** These meets are scheduled to be run in one session. If the time line exceeds three and one half hours the meet must be divided into two sessions, one for girls and one for boys.
- Qualifiers:** All sessions containing 12/U swimmers must be planned to finish in four hours or less. This includes all events in a session, not just the events for 12/U swimmers. If a session is over subscribed first 7/Us, followed by relays, and then all fourth events will be cut. If the time line estimate still exceeds four hours teams will be cut based on date of receipt. Host teams must include an early Connecticut only entry due date for SC Qualifiers.
- Invitationals:** Teams hosting invitationals may set their own cut procedures, but age group sessions must be planned to allow the events for swimmers 12/U to be completed within four hours. CSI recommends that relays be cut first followed by heat limitations on events 400m/500y events and longer and then by team based on date received. Host teams may include an early Connecticut only entry due date during the SC season. This is mandatory in the LC season and must create a substantial window for in-state only entries. CSI does not allow distance events to be run with two swimmers to a lane. The meet announcement must contain the cut procedures that will be used.
- Championships:** The four-hour rule is suspended at this level. The relays at the Regional meets may be cut with Program Operations approval if a session is oversubscribed.
- Unattached Entries:** Meet hosts must treat these as if they were team entries. If there are teams cut that were properly received prior to an unattached entry, then that unattached entry must be cut as well. Determination of in-state or out-of-state status for unattached entries shall be by registration of each swimmer.
- Venue Limitations:** Some venues may impose capacity or timeline restrictions of their own. The meet host must honor venue restrictions as well as CSI regulations such that meets are in compliance with both and cuts have been applied fairly and in accordance with the Meet Announcement. Any conflicts should be resolved in advance in consultation with Program Operations.