



## **Cancellation and Interruption of CSI Meets**

### ***PROTOCOL FOR CANCELLATION OF CSI SANCTIONED MEETS***

(Approved January 25, 1994; Revised June 15, 2005)

To be used prior to the commencement of a meet.

- I. Prior to the commencement of a meet the authority to cancel a CSI Sanctioned meet lies with the Meet Director, or the Meet Committee if one has been appointed, subject to paragraph IV hereof. In either event, the Meet Referee and other experienced persons should be consulted before any decision is made. Once a meet has commenced the authority to cancel the meet lies solely with the Meet Referee (subject to Paragraph IV), who may consult with the Meet Director and any appointed Meet Committee as well as other interested persons.
- II. No CSI Sanctioned meet shall be cancelled unless State Roads have been officially closed or the meet facility has been closed by someone other than the sponsoring entity. In the event that State Roads are closed, a meet should generally be cancelled unless special circumstances otherwise require (*e.g.*, the meet is a championship meet at which many swimmers are ensconced in local lodgings).
- III. In case of possible inclement weather, arrangements should be made for participants to have access to information regarding the status of the meet by phone no later than two hours prior to the commencement of warm-ups. (These arrangements should be included in the meet announcement.) Absent the most extraordinary circumstances, no decision should be made to cancel a meet within two hours of the scheduled commencement of warm-ups.
- IV. No CSI Sanctioned meet shall be canceled without the approval of either the General Chairman or the Program Operations Chairman or a delegate thereof.
- V. In making a decision as to whether or not to cancel a meet, the safety of the participants will be the determining factor
- VI. Before deciding to cancel a meet consideration should be given to delaying the start of the meet or canceling only the subject session of the meet in lieu of a cancellation of the entire meet.

### ***PROTOCOL FOR CSI MEET INTERRUPTION AND CANCELLATION POLICY***

(Approved June 15, 2005)

To be used after commencement or imminent commencement of the meet.

- I. The safety of our swimmers and other participants is our highest priority. We will not allow competition to take place in unsafe conditions.

- II. Prior to the commencement of the session, the authority to determine time schedule, venue modifications or cancellation lies with the Meet Director. Once the session has commenced, the authority to determine time schedule or venue modifications lies solely with the Meet Referee. The facility, in its sole discretion, may restrict the use of its facility, in which case the Meet Director or Meet Referee will comply with its instructions.
- III. The decision to change the time schedule, venues or cancel the meet shall be final and may not be protested.
- IV. If circumstances do not warrant continuance, the Referee may cancel the meet or event, or postpone it to a future date or time, with the approval of the meet committee. (102.8.4B)
- V. Should an event have actually commenced but is terminated prior to an official finish, and is postponed to another time or date, it shall then be conducted between the swimmers who were officially competing in the event at the time of termination. (102.8.4 D)
- VI. If the meet is suspended, the clock will stop on all preliminary or timed final events subject to scratch deadlines. The remaining time will be made up when the meet resumes.
- VII. Time Trials are subject to cancellation at any time if the meet schedule or venue is changed.
- VIII. Swim-offs will not be cancelled, unless the meet is cancelled, but may be moved to a different time that day or a different venue.
- IX. Entry fees for teams or swimmers may be refunded, in whole or part, at the discretion of the meet director, upon cancellation of a meet or particular event. The decision of the meet director on refunding may be appealed to the CSI Board of Review. (102.8.4E)
- X. Connecticut Swimming or the host club will communicate changes made prior to the starting day of the meet or changes made two (2) hours in advance of that morning's warm-up time, via web site posting and email to the contact listed on the club entry hardcopy. It will be the participating club contact's responsibility to disseminate changes to his/her club's participating coaches and athletes.