

Proposed Addition to Policy & Procedures C-11

Any timeline that is submitted for Technical Committee review and/or posted on the PVS website must conform to the following standards.

- For any 13&O or Open session, the minimum heat interval will be 15 seconds, with an additional 15 seconds for backstroke
- For any 12&U session or any session where more than half of the events are 12&U events, the minimum heat interval will be 20 seconds, with an additional 15 seconds for backstroke.
- For any 8&U session, the minimum heat interval will be 35 seconds.
- Any session with "chase starts" will be submitted to the Technical Committee for determination of an appropriate heat interval.
- The timeline will show all events as "seeded" unless a waiver is granted by the Technical Committee to include a "scratch rate" based on historical data.

Rationale

- The Technical Committee needs consistent and reasonable parameters for timelines to ensure compliance with the 4-hour rule. The minimum heat intervals for each age group proposed above are reasonable based on meet histories.
- Timelines for "seeded" sessions are more accurate. Timelines for "unseeded" sessions can show a session length that is 10-15 minutes shorter.

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