Alterações às regras

Nova regra:

SW 2.1.6 A disqualification for starting before the starting signal must be observed and confirmed by both the starter and the referee.

Alteração a amarelo (antes era a SW 2.1.6)

SW 2.1.7 The referee shall disqualify any swimmer for any other violation of the rules that he personally observes. The referee may also disqualify any swimmer for any violation reported to him by other authorised officials. All disqualifications are subject to the decision of the referee.

Alteração a amarelo

SW 2.6.3 In individual events of 800 and 1500 metres, each inspector of turns at the start and turning end of the pool shall record the number of laps completed by the swimmer in his/her lane. The swimmers shall be informed of the remaining number of laps to be completed by displaying "lap cards" showing odd numbers at the turning end of the pool. Electronic equipment may be used, including under water display

Nova regra:

SW 6.2 When a backstroke ledge is being used, each inspector at the starting end shall install and remove the ledge after the start.

Nova regra:

FR 2.10 Backstroke Ledge A backstroke ledge may be used:

- The ledge may be adjustable to 4 cm above or 4 cm below the water level.
- The ledge is a minimum of 65 cm in length.
- The ledge must be 8 cm in height, 2 cm at the width with 10 degrees of slope

Alteração a amarelo

FR 2.11 False Start Rope may be suspended across the pool not less than 1.2 metres above the water level from fixed standards placed 15.0 metres in front of the starting end. It shall be attached to the standards by a quick release mechanism. The rope must effectively cover all lanes when activated. See Pool Diagrams in FR 2.6.6. See Swimming Diagrams 1 & 2, Fig. 1 & Fig 2

SW 6.1 Prior to the starting signal, the swimmers shall line up in the water facing the starting end, with both hands holding the starting grips. Standing in or on the gutter or bending the toes over the lip of the gutter is prohibited. When using a backstroke ledge at the start, the toes of both feet must be in contact with the end wall or face of the touchpad. Bending the toes over the top of the touchpad is prohibited.

Interpretation:

How many (toes)?

At least one (1) toe from each foot.

Must the feet be parallel?

No

Interpretação da regra SW 4.4

SW 4.4 Any swimmer starting before the starting signal has been given, shall be disqualified. If the starting signal sounds before the disqualification is declared, the race shall continue and the swimmer or swimmers shall be disqualified upon completion of the race. If the disqualification is declared before the starting signal, the signal shall not be given, but the remaining swimmers shall be called back and start again. The Referee repeats the starting procedure beginning with the long whistle (the second one for backstroke) as per SW 2.1.5.

Interpretation:

After all swimmers are "stationary" (SW 4.1), any swimmer who moves before the starting signal may be disqualified when such movement if observed and confirmed by both the starter and referee (SW 2.1.6). When video-tape timing system (FR 4.7.3) is available, it may be used to verify the disqualification.

As restantes alterações às regras já são do conhecimento do CNA.