

Statement Regarding new Swimsuits – June 2, 2009

FINA has published the initial [list of approved swimsuits](#) and the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Committee has issued an [Interpretation](#) stating that only suits on the approved FINA list may be worn in USA-S sanctioned or approved meets. As we follow the USA-S technical rules, and generally have our major meets approved, we will follow that Interpretation. We will again allow for non-swimwear modesty apparel (e.g., athletic supporters for men and sports bras and bikini pants for girls), but two swimsuits may not be worn in any case.

There have been a number of rules changes relating to swimwear proposed to the Rules and Regulations Committee, which will be voted on by the House of Delegates at the Annual USA-S Convention in September. The proposed rules changes will be posted on the USA-S website later this month. Everyone is encouraged to review these proposals and make their views known to their local LSC delegates to the Convention.

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