



LIFESAVING SOCIETY
The Lifeguarding Experts

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ONTARIO LIFESAVING SPORT

On April 11, 2017 the Ontario Lifesaving Sport Council passed a motion to adopt the following addition to 2.10 (a) Competition Attire (ILS Competition Rule Book, 2015-2019 Edition) for Ontario Lifesaving Sport Championships:

2.10 COMPETITION ATTIRE

Competitors shall wear costumes, clothing or dress approved by ILS. A competitor shall not be permitted to take part in any competition if, in the opinion of the Chief Referee, the competitor is not properly attired.

For standards related to competition attire, see Section 8.

The Chief Referee has the authority to exclude any competitor whose swimwear does not comply with the following:

- a) **Swimwear:** The swimsuits worn by competitors shall comply with the ILS swimsuit standard defined in Section 8, and:
- be in good moral taste and not carry any symbol which may be considered offensive.
 - comply with the commercial identification policy.

Both male and female competitors may wear “modesty” swimwear made of a textile woven fabric under their swimsuits, provided that no competitive advantage is gained. Any modesty swimwear shall be restricted to the short style for men and the two-piece style top and/or bottom for women.

Upon application for religious and/or cultural reasons, ILS shall consider the wearing of (non-body shaping) textile swimwear that covers a greater part of the body provided that such swimwear does not provide a competitive advantage.

Should there be a need for a competitor to wear swimwear that does not comply with the ILS swimsuit standard (for reasons such as religious, cultural, etc.) the coach will identify this to the Lifesaving Society and/or the Chief Referee in advance of the competition, for their consideration.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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