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**ILS COMPETITION RULE BOOK 2019 EDITION**  
**LIFESAVING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS RICCIONE - ITALY - 2020 HANDBOOK**  
**CLARIFICATIONS NOTICE – Bulletin #1 February 2020**

The ILS Sports Commission at its February 2020 meeting authorised a number of clarifications and errata to the ILS Competition Rule Book 2019 Edition and the Lifesaving World Championships Riccione - Italy - 2020 Handbook.

The clarifications and errata confirm the intent of the Rule Book and the Handbook and are summarised below.

**ILS Competition Rule Book Clarifications and Errata:**

- General:** Simple spelling errors and/or general wording inconsistencies have been corrected. All changes/clarifications are marked in **yellow** highlight.
- Section 2.3:** Added a note to clarify that a common language should be spoken between the Chief Referee and the coordinator of emergency services (Safety Officer). If necessary an interpreter may be appointed by the Organising Committee to assist with communication.
- Section 2.4.1:** Added a sentence to clarify that if an event specific officials uniform is provided by organisers it should be worn.
- Section 2.4.25:** Removed the reference to a pre-requisite SLSA qualification to be appointed as the Safety Officer.
- Section 2.5.1:** Clarified that the Referee Steward/Head Scorer should assist the Chief Referee by completing any required world record applications.
- Section 2.10.1:** Included a reference to Section 8.5 in respect of helmet colour options.
- Section 2.17:** The third paragraph had some missing wording inserted.
- Section 3.1:** Clarified in point (j) that competitors must remain in the water after the conclusion of a race until instructed to leave the water.
- Section 3.3.2:** The Manikin carry rules have been clarified at points e) and f) to confirm that:
- The competitor and manikin are considered to be one entity and either must remain at the surface.

- If the competitor and manikin are both below the surface of the water it is a disqualification.
- The head of the manikin must not be carried under any part of the competitor's body. The body includes the torso, hips, legs and arms etc.

It is also clarified that in point h) competitors in the Manikin Relay event are also not judged on the carrying the manikin criteria in the finish zone of the event. Refer also Section 3.14.1(j) which is correct.

- Section 3.3.4:** It is clarified that at the start and during a race the manikin handler must hold and maintain the manikin in the specified position using their hands.
- Section 3.11.2:** Added a new point (m) to clarify what can occur if a competitor loses their fins. In addition a new point (n) clarifies what can occur if the rescue tube has a technical defect.
- Section 3.12.2:** Added a new point (m) to clarify what can occur if a competitor loses their fins. In addition a new point (n) clarifies what can occur if the rescue tube has a technical defect.
- Section 3.14.3:** The correct disqualification reference for point (g) is DQ21.
- Section 3.16.2:** Added a new point (e) to clarify what can occur if a competitor loses their fins. In addition a new point (f) clarifies what can occur if the rescue tube has a technical defect.
- Section 3.17.1:** In point (d) it is clarified that the third competitor must touch the turn wall/edge before the fourth competitor is permitted to touch the manikin.
- Section 3.17.2:** Added a new point (l) to clarify what can occur if a competitor loses their fins.
- Section 3 DQs:** The Manikin Relay has been added to DQ18 (as per paragraph 3.14.1.  
 DQ Code 48 has been amended to clarify that victim must be holding the rescue tube after passing the 10 m line.  
 DQ Code 51 has been amended to clarify the grasping of the Line Throw bar during the race.  
 DQ Code 60 has been amended to clarify that the third competitor must touch the turn wall/edge before the fourth competitor is permitted to touch the manikin.
- Section 4.21.2:** An additional note 3 h as been added to the course description that should tide or surf or beach conditions make it impractical to set a suitable M shaped water course, the Event Management Committee may also alternatively decide to use the traditional Oceanman/Oceanwoman for the water legs of the event while retaining the on-beach course for the event.
- Section 4.24.2:** Additional notes 1 and 2 have been added to clarify course set up options should surf and/or tide conditions dictate.

## **ILS LWC 2020 Handbook Clarification:**

### **Part A**

**Section 5.3:** Back Up Beach – The backup beach for ocean events has been nominated.

**Section 6.6:** Equipment Pool – Details have been further updated based on advice received.

### **Part C**

**Section 2.2:** Award Ceremonies – It is clarified that shoes are to be worn by presenters.

**Section 4:** Medals – Different ribbon colours are to be used for National Teams, Interclub and Masters Championships.

The exact wording for each of the clarifications and/or errata are highlighted in **yellow** in the ILS Competition Rule Book 2019 Edition and the Lifesaving World Championships - Riccione - Italy 2020 Handbook contained on the ILS website at:

<https://www.ilsf.org/lifesaving-sport/rules>.

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