

# 2019-20 NFHS SWIMMING AND DIVING RULES POWERPOINT

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#### VISION

 The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) is the national leader for education-based high school athletics and activities, which <u>prepare tomorrow's leaders for the next level of life</u> through innovative programs, healthy participation, achievement, and development of positive relationships.





#### MISSION

• The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) serves its members by providing leadership for the administration of education-based high school athletics and activities through the <u>writing of playing rules that emphasize health and safety, educational programs that develop leaders, and administrative support to increase participation opportunities and promote sportsmanship.</u>



- NFHS (located in Indianapolis, IN Est. 1920):
  - National leadership organization for high school
    - sports and fine arts activities;
  - National authority on interscholastic activity programs.
  - Conducts national meetings;
  - Sanctions interstate events;
  - Produces national publication for high school administrators;
  - National source for interscholastic coach training and national information center.







Membership = 50 member state associations and D.C.

 NFHS reaches more than 19,000 high schools and 12 million participants in high school activity programs, including more

than 7.8 million in high school sports.



### NFHS RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE

The NFHS Rules Review Committee is chaired by the chief operating officer and composed of all rules editors. After each committee concludes its deliberations and has adopted its recommended changes for the subsequent year, such revisions will be evaluated by the Rules Review Committee.



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- The NFHS writes playing rules for 17 sports for boys and girls at the high school level.
  - Publishes 4 million pieces of materials annually.







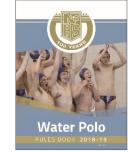


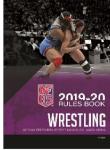






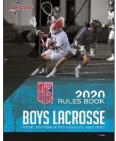


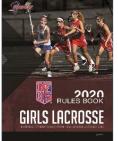


















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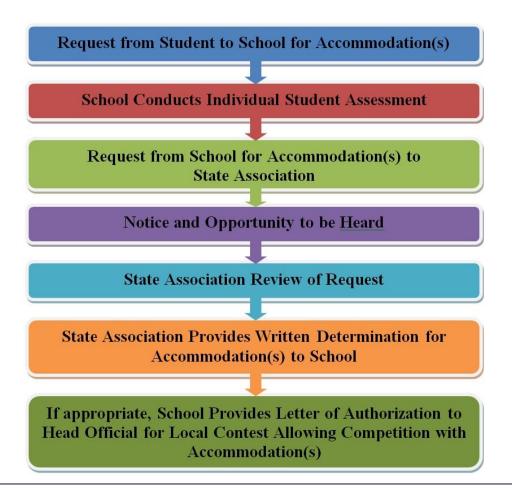
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Rule Changes

## 2019-20 NFHS SWIMMING AND DIVING





- Rule 3-3 has been reorganized to identify penalties for specific uniform violations. No other changes were made to these rules.
- Rule 3-3-1 <u>recommends</u> that all swimmers and divers wear suits of identical coloring and pattern.





- Rule 3-3-2 contains all language addressing suit coverage:
  - Suits shall be of one piece;
  - A competitor shall not be permitted to participate wearing a suit that is not of decent appearance;
  - Boys shall wear suits which cover the buttocks and shall not extend above the waist or below the top of the kneecap;
  - Girls shall wear suits which cover the buttocks and breasts and shall not extend beyond the shoulders or below the top of the kneecap, nor cover the neck.





3-3-1, 3-3-2, 3-3-2 PENALTIES, 3-3-3, 3-3-3 AND 3-3-4 PENALTIES

#### 3-3-2 PENALTIES

When an official discovers a competitor wearing illegal attire as described in Article 2, the official shall:

- When observed prior to the start of the heat/dive, notify the coach of the competitor to make the swimsuit legal;
- When observed after the heat/dive officially begins, disqualify the competitor at the completion of the heat/dive;





- Rule 3-3-3 addresses information that can be placed on the suit or cap:
  - Competitor's name, school name, school nickname or logo;
  - Advertising or name other than that permitted in 3-3-2c is prohibited;
  - Size of a single visible manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference;
  - Size of one American flag or memorial patch;
  - The FINA mark and/or individual barcode.





- Rule 3-3-4 addresses suit construction for swimmers (excluding divers):
  - Constructed of a woven/knit textile material;
  - Must be permeable except for one post-construction, school name and/or logo not to exceed 9 square inches;
  - May not aid buoyancy;
  - May not have fastening systems other than a waist tie for a brief or jammer and elastic material in the terminal ends.





- Rule 3-3-3 and 3-3-4 PENALTIES: When an official discovers a competitor wearing illegal attire as described in Articles 3 and 4, the official shall:
  - When observed prior to the start of the heat/dive, notify the coach or the competitor to make the swimsuit legal;
  - When observed after the heat/dive officially begins, disqualify the competitor at the completion of the heat;





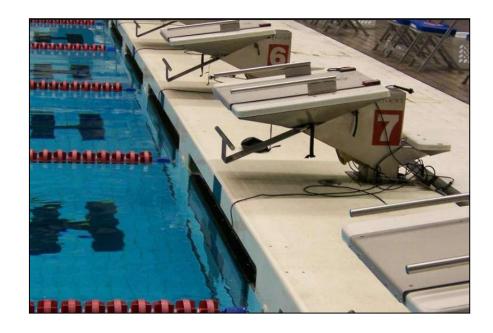
- The remaining articles have been renumbered:
  - Rule 3-3-5 addresses speed, buoyancy, body compression and adhesives.
  - Rule 3-3-6 requires coaches to verify that all competitors are legally attired.

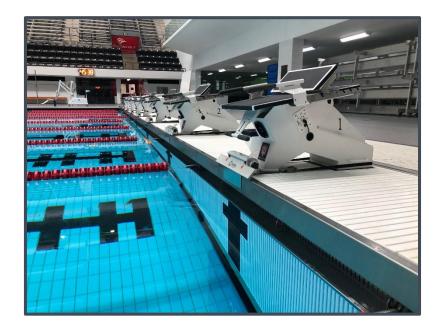




8-1-7, 8-2-1g, 8-2-2h, 8-2-3g, 8-2-4e

■ Rule 8-1-7: To finish the race, the swimmer shall contact the finish end in the manner prescribed by the stroke.









8-1-7, 8-2-1g, 8-2-2h, 8-2-3g, 8-2-4e

Rule 1-1-1: The end walls are the walls perpendicular to the race course.











8-1-7, 8-2-1g, 8-2-2h, 8-2-3g, 8-2-4e

#### Rule 8-2-1g

The backstroke finish requires completion of the required distance and contact with the touchpad or finish end by any part of the swimmer with some part of the body at or above the surface.

#### Rule 8-2-2h

The breaststroke finish requires completion of the required distance and contact with the touchpad or finish end with both hands simultaneously, not necessarily on the same plane.





8-1-7, 8-2-1g, 8-2-2h, 8-2-3g, 8-2-4e

#### Rule 8-2-3g

The butterfly finish requires completion of the required distance and contact with the touchpad or finish end with both hands simultaneously, not necessarily on the same plane.

#### Rule 8-2-4e

The freestyle finish requires completion of the required distance and contact with the touchpad or the finish end by any part of the swimmer.





8-1-7, 8-2-1g, 8-2-2h, 8-2-3g, 8-2-4e, 8-3-5

• Rule 8-3-5: Each swimmer of a relay team must contact the finish end at the conclusion of his or her leg of the relay in accordance with the finish rule applicable to the stroke being swum.



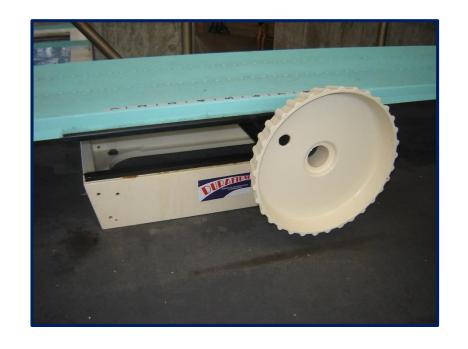




## THE POOL, BOARD AND EQUIPMENT

9-1-3

A fulcrum, which can be moved and set at varying positions between 5 feet 1 inch and 7 feet 6 inches (1.549 m and 2.286 m) from the rear of the diving board, is required.







# CHOICE OF DIVES 9-4 TABLE

The degree of difficulty of four dives has been changed:

Dive No.	T/C	P/B	S/A
BACK DIVES			
201 Back Dive	1.5 1.5 2.0 2.0 3.0	1.6 1.6 2.3 2.3 3.2	1.7 1.7 2.5 —
REVERSE DIVES			
301 Reverse Dive	1.6 1.6 2.1 2.1	1.7 1.7 2.4 2.4	1.8 1.8 2.7 2.9
305 Reverse 2½ SS	3.0	3.2	_





### FORM OF THE DIVES

9-5-6

- The flight shall be either in the:
  - a. straight position where the body shall not be bent either at the knees or hips. The feet shall be together and the toes pointed. The position of the arms is at the option of the diver;
  - b. pike position in which the body shall be bent at the hips, the legs must be kept straight at the knees, the feet shall be together, and the toes pointed. The position of the arms is at the option of the diver;
  - c. tuck position in which the body <u>shall be compact</u>, is bent at the k<u>nees and hips</u> with the knees and feet close together within the bodyline of the shoulders. The hands shall be on the lower legs and the toes pointed;
  - d. free position in which a combination of positions may be used to perform twisting dives.





## AWARDING POINTS

9-7-4 **NOTE** 

A dive is unsatisfactory if, in the diving referee's opinion:

**NOTE:** In a championship meet, the diving referee may consult with a designated member of the judging panel concerning a possible <u>unsatisfactory</u> dive.







Major Editorial Changes

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### **AUTHORIZED OFFICIALS**

4-1-2

■ In <u>championship meets</u> <u>multi-team</u> meets, a meet committee and a meet director shall assume responsibility for all aspects of meet management. The meet committee shall make decisions on matters not specifically covered by the rules or on the misapplication of a rule during a meet. Judgment calls of officials are not subject to review by this committee. The decisions of the meet committee are final.





## THE REFEREE

4-2-2e

During the meet, the responsibilities of the referee are to:

Notify the competitor's coach of an observed violation of 3-3-2 3-3-5 during competition. This may be accomplished with a verbal announcement if the competitor's coach cannot be reached without delay of the meet.





### **CHOICE OF DIVES**

#### **9-4-1d TABLE**

 A row in the Figure 9 Table was omitted from the previous rule book and has been reinserted to Rule 9-4-1d.

No. of Contestants	Preliminaries	Semifinals	Finals	
	(Performed in any order within each round of competition)			
1-32	2 vol. & 3 opt.	2 vol. & 1 opt.	1 vol. & 2 opt.	

#### FIGURE 9

**NOTE**: When there are more than 32 divers entered, all divers should be permitted to complete the preliminaries (5 dives). However, the sponsoring organization has the right to reduce the field to 32 divers after three rounds. With the field thus reduced, the remaining two dives of the preliminaries are performed, followed by semifinals and finals.





Points of Emphasis

## 2019-20 NFHS SWIMMING AND DIVING





## PREVENTING SHALLOW WATER BLACKOUT

- How to Avoid Shallow Water Blackout
  - Never hyperventilate
  - Never ignore the urge to breathe
  - Never swim alone
  - Never play breath holding games
  - No repetitive underwater laps





### **SUIT COVERAGE**

- Suit Coverage:
  - Continues to be a focus;
  - Language addressing coverage and the protocol for addressing violations has been reorganized in the rules book;
  - Pre-meet coaches and athlete meetings requires the coach to verify that his/her athletes are properly and legally equipped;
  - Recommend that school administrators and coaches address suit coverage with parents and athletes during their pre-season meetings.





## ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY

- Accommodations for Students With a Disability Updates:
  - Updated language for hearing and visual impairments;
  - Updated images of official's signals for forward and backstroke starts;
  - Updated images of modified starting positions;
  - Available in the 2019 NFHS Swimming Officials Guidelines Manual.





### **SUB-VARSITY COMPETITION**

- State associations may modify events and distances for non-varsity competition.
- NFHS playing rules are written specifically for varsity competition.
- Modifications for levels other than varsity are at the discretion of the state association.





#### PRE-MEET CONFERENCE

- In situations where conducting a pre-meet conference is impractical:
  - State associations may determine an alternative method of compliance;
  - Topics that should be covered are listed in the NFHS Swimming Officials Guidelines Manual;
  - Must provide appropriate information for athletes, coaches, and meet officials to assure that the stated purposes for the pre-meet conference are met.





Swimming and Diving Reminders

### 2019-20 NFHS SWIMMING AND DIVING





#### **EXHIBITION COMPETITORS**

1-2-3, 3-2-1c, 9-3-1

- Rule 1-2-3: Exhibition competitors are permitted unless state association policy determines otherwise. An exhibition competitor is a non-scoring contestant in a regularly scheduled and scored event.
- Rule 3-1-2c: Each team shall be permitted an equal number of additional entries in a pool with eight lanes or more.
- Rule 9-3-1: The number of team entries permitted in swimming and diving events shall be the same.

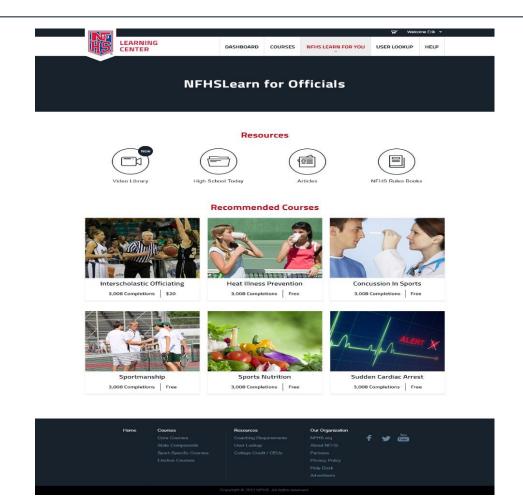




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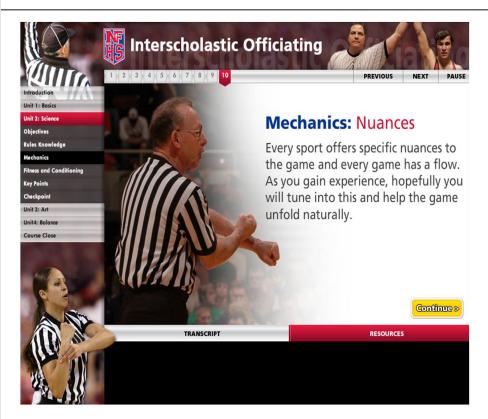
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- Officiating Volleyball Ball Handling

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- Track and Field
- Volleyball Overlapping
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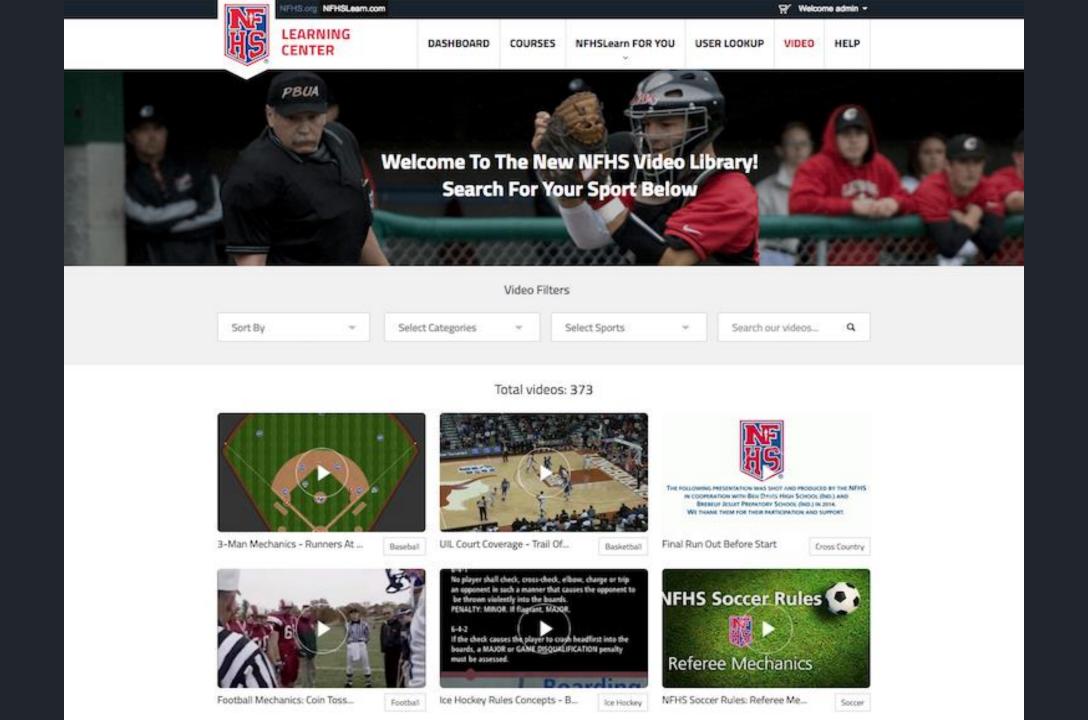


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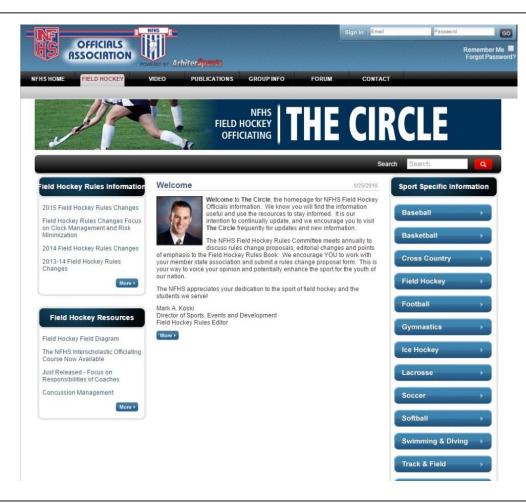


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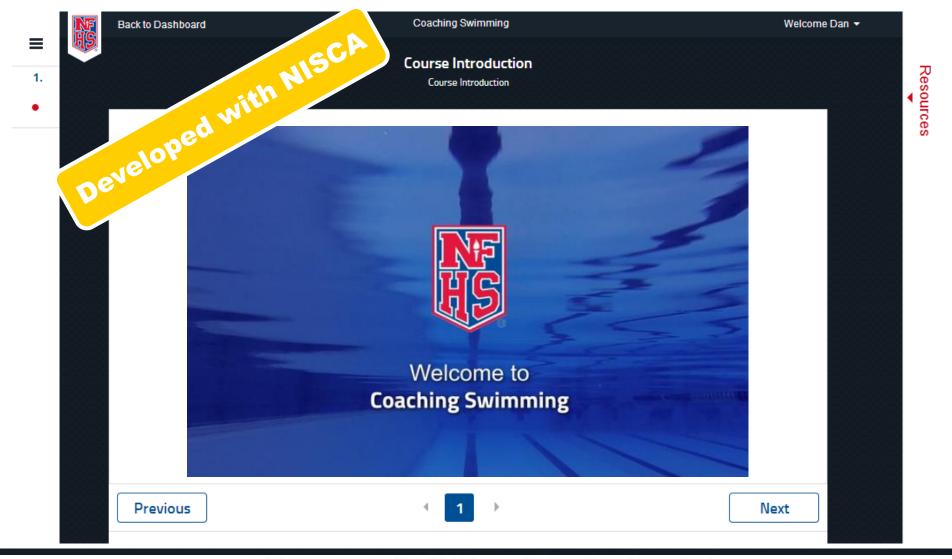
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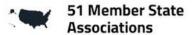




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- Inward, Reverse and Twisting Skills: demonstrations and testing

#### **Units**

- Teaching Methodology
- Fundamentals
- Dryland Skills
- Forward Skills
- Backward Skills
- Inward Skills
- Reverse Skills
- -Twisting Skills



#### **Course Objectives**

- Understand the roles of professionalism, rules knowledge, and communication and how they help ensure a fair meet.
- Know how to consistently identify swimming violations in each type of event.
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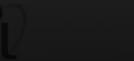






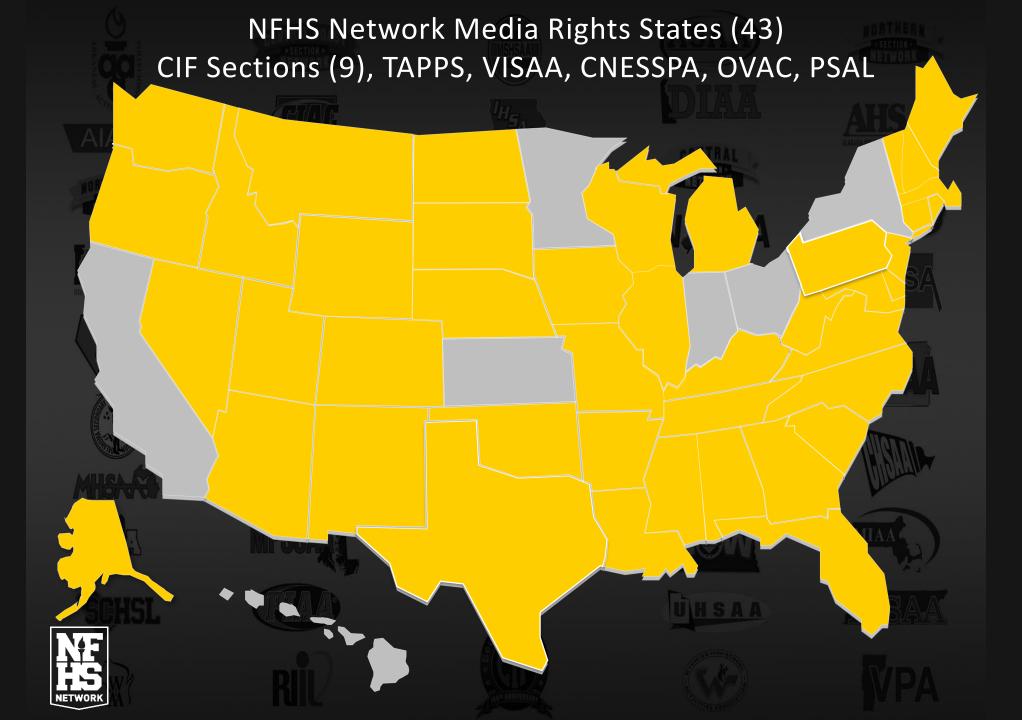








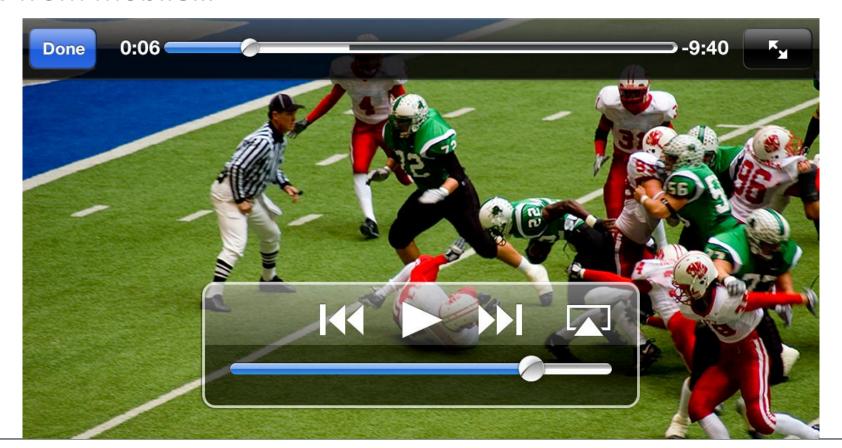






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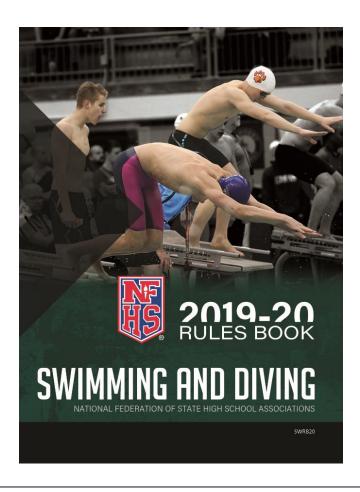
The revised manuals will be available August 1 on the following website locations:

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