

***North Carolina Swimming***  
**INFORMATION ON APPROVED MEET STATUS**

TO: NC Swimming Clubs

RE: HOSTING APPROVED MEETS

Due to recent rule changes to Article 202.4 in the USA Swimming's rule book which became effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, the following is an interpretation of the new rule:

- 1) YMCA-affiliated teams can continue to host approved meets for **CLOSED** competition in their capacity as a YMCA-affiliated team.
- 2) Meet approvals can continue to be issued for non-member clubs or organizations for competition under USA Swimming Rules (i.e. State Games).
- 3) For a club (either USA Club or YMCA Club) to host an approved **OPEN** competition (rather than a sanctioned meet), the request for approval must be authorized by the LSC Sanctioning Chair Bob Probst ([bob.probst@ncswim.org](mailto:bob.probst@ncswim.org)) and then sent to USA Swimming (Form F) with an explanation of why the meet should be approved (i.e. beginning of the swim year when a team wants to encourage summer league kids to join USA Swimming or when a team has a swim school and wants to get the kids to join USA-Swimming so they want to host a "real" meet).
  - At no time can a meet be approved when the authorization is being used as a membership dodge!

Form F (which will be posted on the LSC web site) needs to be completed and sent to the NC Sanctioning Chair who will then forward to Suzanne Heath ([suzanne.heath@ncswim.org](mailto:suzanne.heath@ncswim.org)) after approving the submitted meet information.