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Guidelines for International Competitors/Referees attending domestic competitions held by JLA

1. International Competitors

(1) Conditions of Participation and Entry

- ① International competitors, regardless of nationality or place of residence, must belong to the International Lifesaving Federation (hereinafter referred to as ILS) or a member organization affiliated with it.
- ② Submit a Letter of Clearance from your organization (any format).
- ③ Of the conditions for participation generally set by each JLA organizing committee, the following will not be required.
 - Affiliation to a JLA member club
 - Payment of the annual JLA competitor registration fee
 - JLA accredited qualification or license
 - * Qualifications from competitor's organization are also not required.
 - Active JLA Lifesaving license
 - Track record in lifesaving activities
- ④ If competing in a pool event, the entry standard time must be achieved.
- ⑤ In principle, your registration procedure will be treated the same as other Japanese competitors, but the JLA Lifesaving Sport and International Affairs will provide assistance in remitting the registration fee and submitting the registration format. In addition, past competition results may be inquired during the process.
- ⑥ The following competitions are eligible for participation.
 - Japan National Lifesaving Pool Championships
 - Surf Carnival/ Japan National Individual Lifesaving Championship
 - Other competitions as approved by the organizing committee
 - * In the case of Japan National Lifesaving Championships (Surf), participation from the final round is basically not accepted due to the quota for the final round.

(2) Competition Results

- ⑦ Medals will be awarded for both individual and team events.
- ⑧ When an international competitor finishes within the top eight, the Japanese competitor's award and ranking will be counted in parallel without the international competitor(s). The ranking of Japanese competitors will be moved up accordingly.
- ⑨ International competitors are excluded from the overall score, and the overall score will be calculated with the top eight Japanese competitors.

2. International Referees

(1) Conditions of Participation and Entry

- ① International referees, regardless of nationality or place of residence, must belong to ILS or an organization affiliated with it.
- ② Submit a Letter of Clearance from your organization (any format).
- ③ Technical official qualification certified by their organization is required.
- ④ Of the conditions for participation generally set by each JLA organizing committee, the following will not be required.
 - JLA-approved referee qualification or license
 - JLA Lifesaving license
 - *Qualifications from applicant's country are also not required.
 - Payment of JLA referee license registration fee
- ⑤ Competition will be conducted according to JLA competition rules (the JLA competition rules corresponds to the ILS competition rules).
- ⑥ The following competitions are eligible for participation.
 - All competitions organized by JLA
- ⑦ In principle, your registration process will be treated the same as other Japanese technical officials, but JLA Lifesaving Sport and the International Affairs will provide assistance in submitting the registration format. In addition, the record of past participation in competitions may be inquired. The following are some examples.
 - Experience in participating as a technical official in competitions that follow the ILS Competition Rules
 - Experience in participating as a technical official in previous competitions, including organization which applicants belong.
 - Preferred arrangement or position in the competition applicants participate.

3. The due date for registration

In principle, the registration is due by the date set for each event.

4. Appendix

(1) Participating as a member of club under JLA

All participants who participate in a competition organized by JLA, regardless of nationality or place of residence, must fulfill all the rules and regulations of the competition. This usually includes, but not limited with the following. Please check the guidelines of each competition for details.

① Competitor

- Affiliation to a JLA member club
- Payment of JLA competitor registration fee
- Age
- JLA-approved academy qualification or license
 - * Qualifications from the organization that competitors belong are not accepted.
- Payment of the JLA license registration fee
- Achievement in lifesaving activities
- Achieving the entry standard time (pool event)

② Technical official

- ◇ JLA-approved referee qualification or license
 - * Qualifications from the organization that applicants belong are not accepted.
- ◇ Payment of JLA-approved referee qualification registration fee.
- ◇ JLA-approved academy qualification or license
 - * Qualifications from the organization that applicants belong are not accepted.

(2) Authorization of Japanese records in pool events

- ① The Japanese record is the fastest certified record set by a person who holds Japanese nationality.
- ② Therefore, when an international competitor (in both "1." and "4.(1)(i)" above) breaks a Japanese record at JLA hosted competition, the record will not be considered as a new Japanese record. If one or more non-Japanese competitor is included in a team event, the team shall not be eligible for the Japanese record (excerpt from Rule 2.5.2 Japanese Record (c)).