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ILS Technical Bulletins are designed to assist competitors, coaches, and technical officials with rule clarifications and changes to the ILS Competition Rule Book. The clarifications and/or changes take effect from the date of publication of this Bulletin.

Section 3- Pool Events

Following feedback from the 2021 European Championships, consultation within the ILS Sport Regulations Committee and approval by the ILS Sport Commission, a clarification has been made to the manikin handler rules that apply to the 100m Manikin Tow with Fins and 200m Super Lifesaver events. The amended wording is as follows (with changes highlighted in green highlight for ease of reference):

3.3.4 Manikin handlers

(a) A member of the competitor’s team assists as manikin handler in the Manikin Tow with Fins and the Super Lifesaver events. With the Chief Referee’s approval, non-team members may act as handlers, provided they are registered in the competition in some capacity.

(b) Manikin handlers must wear a competition cap.

(c) For the handover, the manikin handler, using at least one hand, positions and holds the manikin – vertically and facing the wall at its natural buoyancy position anywhere within the allotted lane.

(d) Make every effort to ensure that any part of their person, the manikin they are holding, and/or any water movement they cause, does not impede any other competitor in the race (otherwise disqualification of their competitor may result).

(e) Manikin handlers may not intentionally enter the water during the event.

(e) Comply with all race instructions of officials.

Competitors, coaches, and technical officials should ensure they refer to all bulletins currently posted to the ILS website. (http://ilsf.org/lifesaving-sport/rules).

Relative changes have also been made to the ILS Competition Rulebook in due course.

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