Name: Tech Planning Club: Position: Tech Planning

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

11.10 (1): The point-scoring age groups shall be 8-under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16 and 17-19. There shall also be a non-scoring 20-Over age group. Swimmers who are, or formerly were, a member of a college team during the current season are not eligible to score points, they will compete in the 20-over non-scoring age group (applies to Short Course Championship only).

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

The point-scoring age groups shall be 8-under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, and 15-19 for the Short Course Championships. The point-scoring age groups shall be 8-under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, and 17-19 for the Long Course Championships. There shall also be a non-scoring 20-Over age group. Swimmers who are, or formerly were, a member of a college team during the current season are not eligible to score points, they will compete in the 20-over non-scoring age group (applies to Short Course Championship only).

Rationale:

This change consolidates the 15–16 and 17–19 age groups into a single 15–19 age group. Doing so will streamline the meet timeline, allowing more time to focus on swimmer recognition and awards. It will also strengthen the level of competition in finals and help ensure a full B final for each race.