

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF REVIEW

INTRODUCTION: USA Swimming was organized as the National Governing Body for the sport of swimming under the Amateur Sports Act of 1978, as amended by the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act of 1998, both federal laws. These laws require USA Swimming to establish and maintain provisions for the swift and equitable resolution of all disputes involving any of its members. This Article, together with Section 2.2 and the National Board of Review procedures, pursuant to Policy 26.0 of the USA Swimming Operating Policy Manual, are intended to provide a mechanism for resolving in an orderly and fair way all manner and kinds of disputes that may arise among its members in connection with the sport of swimming. Accordingly, WYSI has established the Administrative Review Board to hear complaints and appeals regarding administrative matters within WYSI which do not rise to the level of Code of Conduct October 6, 2023 16 violations and are not appeals of sanction decisions. The Administrative Review Board shall have no jurisdiction to hear complaints regarding conduct that may violate the USA Swimming Code of Conduct or otherwise violate the policies, procedures, rules and regulations adopted by USA Swimming, or conduct that may bring USA Swimming, WYSI or the sport of swimming into disrepute. This Article, together with the National Board of Review procedures, pursuant to Policy 26.0 of the USA Swimming Operating Policy Manual, is intended to provide a fair hearing before a group of independent and impartial people. This Article and the National Board of Review procedures, pursuant to Policy 26.0 of the USA Swimming Operating Policy Manual shall be construed accordingly.

Administrative Powers - The Administrative Review Board shall have the powers and the duty to:

- A. administer and conduct the affairs and achieve the purposes of the Administrative Review Board,
- B. establish policies, procedures and guidelines,
- C. elect the Chair,
- D. call regular or special meetings of the Administrative Review Board,
- E. retain attorneys, agents and independent contractors and employ those persons which the Administrative Review Board may determine are appropriate, necessary or helpful in the administration and conduct of its affairs, and
- F. take such action as may otherwise be appropriate, necessary or helpful in the administration and conduct of its affairs, the achievement of its purposes and the efficient exercise of its duties and powers.