

## **PRODEDURES FOR WORLD, EUROPEAN AND COMMONWEALTH RECORDS**

This protocol has been developed to assist all those who may be involved with the procedures that must be undertaken in support of an application for a World, European or Commonwealth Record in Swimming. .

### **GENERAL**

Records can be obtained in 50 metre or 25 metre pools in the following distances and styles for both sexes.

Freestyle: 50m, 100m, 200m 400m, 800m and 1500m

Backstroke, Breaststroke, and Butterfly: 50m, 100m and 200m

Individual Medley: 100m (25m pool only), 200m and 400m

Team Relay Events: 4 x100m Freestyle and Medley, 4 x 200m Freestyle.

All records must be made in scratch competition, or an individual race against time, held in public and announced publicly by an advertisement at least three days before the attempt is to be made. In the event of an individual race against time being sanctioned by a FINA Member Federation, as a time trial during a competition, then an advertisement at least three (3) days before the attempt is to be made shall not be necessary.

Venue: The length of each lane of the pool used must be certified by a surveyor or other qualified official appointed or approved by the FINA Member Federation. For events held in Great Britain the pool must hold a pool length certificate. A list of such pools is available on the website;  
<http://www.swimming.org/go/library/document/measured-pools>

Wherever a moveable bulkhead is used, the lane in which the record was achieved may require measurement at the conclusion of the session in which the time was achieved.

Timing Equipment: Only times recorded by Automatic Officiating Equipment (AOE) or Semi-Automatic Officiating Equipment in the case of AOE malfunction are acceptable.

Swimsuits: Details of the manufacturer and model number of the swimsuit worn may be required.

Doping Control: Additional testing may be required dependent upon the record being claimed. See check list.

Application Form: To be completed and submitted to the British Swimming Doping Compliance Officer within 48hours following the performance.

Records achieved in Great Britain: The Event Management Team has responsibility for ensuring all facility, equipment and doping requirements are met.

Records achieved Overseas: The Team Manager has responsibility for ensuring all relevant documentation is available in support of the application. This includes the completion of the Application Form for a World Record achieved in a World Championship or Olympic Games

### **WORLD RECORD**

The application form is attached as Appendix 1 or may be downloaded from the FINA website  
[http://www.fina.org/project/docs/rules/rules\\_sw\\_worldrecord.pdf](http://www.fina.org/project/docs/rules/rules_sw_worldrecord.pdf)

|          | <u>Responsibility</u> | <u>Print Name</u> |  |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| <b>1</b> | Referee               |                   | FINA Application Form completed and signed by the Referee.   |
| <b>2</b> | Chief Recorder        |                   | Copy of the Automatic Officiating Equipment Results obtained from Chief Recorder.                                    |
| <b>3</b> | Meet Director         |                   | Lane Measurement carried out at the end of the relevant session  |
| <b>4</b> | Events Team Officer   |                   | Dope Test to include erythropoietin (EPO) to be completed within 24 hours.   |
| <b>5</b> | Events Team Officer   |                   | All documentation in 1,2 and 3 to be submitted to the Doping Compliance Officer at British Swimming within 48 hours. |
| <b>6</b> |                       |                   | In addition a submission to LEN for a European Record as below is required.  |

### **EUROPEAN RECORD**

The application form is available attached at Appendix 2

|          | <u>Responsibility</u> | <u>Print Name</u> |  |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| <b>1</b> | Referee               |                   | LEN Application Form completed and signed by the Referee.  |
| <b>2</b> | Chief Recorder        |                   | Copy of the Automatic Officiating Equipment Results obtained from the Chief Recorder                                 |
| <b>3</b> | Meet Director         |                   | Lane Measurement carried out at the end of the relevant session  |
| <b>4</b> | Events Team Officer   |                   | Dope Test to be completed within 24 hours. (EPO not required)  |
| <b>5</b> | Events Team Officer   |                   | All documentation in 1,2 and 3 to be submitted to the Doping Compliance Officer at British Swimming within 48 hours. |

### **COMMONWEALTH RECORD**

There is no formal application procedure to be undertaken.

### **BRITISH RECORD**

The application form is available for download from the British Swimming website.  
<http://www.swimming.org/go/library/document/british-record-application-form>