



Last week we ended with the question: Which of the four different competitive strokes does not utilize the 15-Meter Marks?

8-2 Articles 1 through 4 describes each of the four strokes. Article 1e. Backstroke, Article 3 f. Butterfly, Article 4 d. Freestyle - all require compliance with the 15-Meter Marks. Article 2 Breaststroke does not mention 15-Meter Marks; hence, there is no compliance required.

Electronic scoring and recording of diving events are the norm in most high schools in the state. However, this process is not fully automated and some human contribution is often required. In some locations a Recorder is tasked with copying down the judges scores and then multiplying them by the degree of difficulty for the dive. The result of the computation creates a score for the dive. The diver performs either six or eleven dives. The scores from each dive are added together to create a final score. The final scores are used to determine the diver's final placement in the competition.

The copying of scores and entering them into the computer system by hand is often required when the judges electronic scoring controls fail and hand score cards are used. Often the computation of the score is a hand process with only the sum entered into the computed score.

Similarly, entry of information for each dive to be attempted by a diver is entered by a human. The misreading of a handwritten diver's entry sheet can result in a completely different dive being entered on an electronic version of the form. Current rules require both the Diver and the Coach to sign entry sheet (9-3-3 note). It would be wise for the Diver and his/her Coach to review the elec-

tronic version of the diving sheets to confirm they match the handwritten original entry. Often the Referee, in his/her courtesy review will not see both sheets and the error can go undetected. Should the dive be called into question it is the handwritten (original) entry that determines which dive is to be performed, not the electronic copy.

Some Referees will request the Computer Operator provide them with a copy of the Announcer's Script. This will provide a condensed version of the Diving event. The Referee should remember that what appears on the Announcer's Script will match the electronic entries entered by the Computer Operator and may be flawed.

This week's question has to do with a loss of power during a swim meet for initially an unknown reason. It is the start of the 500 Freestyle. The regular lights for the pool, both underwater and overhead, go out. The Emergency Lights for the pool, which offer a low level of light, activate. Approximately 20 minutes later the Building Supervisor notifies the home Head Coach that a power pole has been struck by a car and power will not be restored until tomorrow.

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Assuming the meet is stopped for the day and eventually rescheduled, what will the score be at the start of the next session? [CLICK HERE](#) to submit your answer.