

ASA Announcement

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RULE CHANGE: CHANGE TO REGULATION 411 REGARDING COSTUMES (With effect from 1st January 2010)

With effect from 1st January 2010, the ASA rules on swimwear/costumes shall be changed. The current wording in Regulation 411 ("Costumes") will no longer apply and instead the below shall come into force:

Regulation 411 (amended) *Costumes*

411.1 The swimwear (swimsuit, cap and goggles) of competitors in all competitions shall be in accordance with the FINA General Rules and Bylaws on swimwear (see below for definition), in force on the date of the competition.

The above rule applies to swimming, open water swimming and **masters** swimming competitions.

BL 8.2 In swimming competitions the competitor must wear only one swimsuit in one or two pieces. No additional items, like armbands or leg bands shall be regarded as parts of a swimsuit.

BL 8.3 From January 1st 2010 swimwear for men shall not extend above the navel nor below the knee, and for women shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulder, nor shall extend below the knee. All swimsuits shall be made from textile materials.