

Swimming NSW General Rule 19 – Swimwear

GR19 SWIMWEAR (FINA GR5)

GR19.1 General Swimsuit Rules

GR19.1.1 The swimwear (swimsuit, cap and goggles) of all swimmers shall be in good moral taste and suitable for the individual sports discipline.

GR19.1.2 Swimsuits worn by Swimmers in events conducted in NSW by Swimming NSW and any member Associations shall be non-transparent and conform to the following design:

- (i) All swimsuits must be FINA approved; or

GR19.1.3 Swimmers may wear swimsuits provided the suits meet the following criteria:

- (i) Men's swimsuits are limited to one (1) suit that covers at most the body surface from hips to knee. Swimsuits may not extend above the waist or below the knees;
- (ii) Women's swimsuits are limited to one (1) suit that is of "open back" and "open shoulder" designs that may extend down to the knee. Swimsuits must not extend below the knees.
- (iii) No zippers or other fastening devices are allowed except for a waist tie.
- (iv) Swimsuits must be of textile material and must not contain any non textile material such as polyurethane or neoprene.

GR19.1.4 Modification of Swimsuits worn by swimmers with disability to accommodate a swimmer's disability is permitted. Proposed modifications shall be submitted in writing to the Company for approval at least 14 days prior to the meet. Approved swimsuits shall be presented to the Meet Director/Technical Manager prior to the swimmer's first event at the competition.

GR19.1.5 The Referee of a competition has the authority to exclude any swimmer whose swimsuit does not comply with this Rule.

GR19.1.6 Swimsuits are limited to one (1) suit, which may consist of one or two pieces

NOTE: Australian Open & World Records can only be broken by wearing a FINA approved swimsuit.