## JANUARY 14,2013 DEADLINE FOR ANTI-BULLYING AND ELECTRONIC POLICIES REMINDER

All clubs are reminded that on January 14 they must be in compliance with sections 305.6 and 305.7 of the United States Swimming rules. These rules state, in part, that no later than January 14, 2013, clubs shall establish action plans for implementation of separate antibullying and electronic communication/social media policies. USA Swimming has established model plans for both subjects which will be the default plan for clubs that fail to establish their own plan by the effective date.

An important element of the rules state that each plan must be agreed to <u>annually</u> by all athletes, parents, coaches and other non-athlete members of the club.

In addition, clubs that have not yet appointed a Safe Sport Coordinator should do so and send the name, address, email address and cell phone number of that appointee to Jerry Hayes, <u>jrrhayes@gmail.com</u>, 571-224-8036.