

**SPMS Open Water Committee Report
USMS Long Distance Committee Report
Thursday March 18, 2021
Submitted by Robin Smith**

SPMS Open Water Committee:

Committee Members include: Robin Smith (Chair), Liz Carlin and Christie Ciraulo; plus SPMS Open Water Chip Timing Subcommittee: Michael Collins, John Abrami, and Nancy Kirkpatrick-Reno)

Starting initial discussions with Open Water Event Hosts regarding tentative 2021 dates, event logistics, race timelines, and COVID-19 Safety Plan requirements.

Note that while beaches/lakes are open for “recreational use”, the State and local Counties/Cities currently do not allow “public special events” (triathlons, running races, open water events, etc.). Special events are not able to be scheduled and special event permit applications are not being accepted at this time.

Restarting work on drafting SPMS Open Water Operations Manual

USMS Long Distance Committee:

2021 USMS 1-Hour ePostal National Championship (EXTENDED to March 31st)

Hosted by Oregon LMSC

Links for more information and event registration:

https://www.clubassistant.com/club/meet_information.cfm?c=1308&smid=13499

<https://www.usms.org/events/national-championships/epostal-national-championships/2021-epostal-national-championships>

LD Rules Proposals (Part 3 of Rule Book):

- Housekeeping Items
- Changes to USMS Open Water Committee

USMS ePostal Working Group

- Main objective is to improve and modernize event to attract more participation.