

2025 USAAS RULES PROPOSALS

ITEM #16:

Allow time limit exceptions for Walk-On and Deck movements in Masters competitions.

MS 4.3

Technical Routine Competition:

MS 4.3.3

There shall be an allowance of 5 seconds plus the allotted time limit, but there shall be no minimum time limit. For Time Allowances for Walk-On and Deck Movements, see Rules CP 4.2.2.6.2 and 4.2.2.6.3.

Exception: Competitors with physical limitations or other needs who need to exceed the walk-on time allowances (as stated in CP 4.2.2.6.2) may request a waiver from the Vice President-Competitive Programs and/or Event Referee.

1. **Competitors with disabilities are allowed to have assistance or be guided to the correct starting point on deck or in the water.**

MS 4.4

Free Routine Competition:

MS 4.4.2

There shall be an allowance of 5 seconds plus the allotted time limit, but there shall be no minimum time limit. For Time Allowances for Walk-On and Deck Movements, see Rules CP 4.2.2.6.2 and 4.2.2.6.3.

Exception: Competitors with physical limitations or other needs who need to exceed the walk-on time allowances (as stated in CP 4.2.2.6.3) may request a waiver from the Vice President-Competitive Programs and/or Event Referee.

1. **Competitors with disabilities are allowed to have assistance or be guided to the correct starting point on deck or in the water.**

Rationale: Allow waiver requests in place of granting unlimited time for walk-ons.