



HOW TO BECOME JUNIOR OFFICIAL

Register as an Official

- (1) Must be 16 or 17 years old.
- (2) Must be a member of USA Swimming.
- (3) Contact your Team's Membership Coordinator and obtain the club's Membership Link (URL) to type into your internet browser. Once there, follow the instructions and **be sure to register as an "Official."**

Complete Online Courses

- (1) Complete Safe Sports for youth athletes (13-17 years old).
- (2) Complete Concussion Protocol Training (**Certification of completion must be emailed to laurie@pacswim.org**).
- (3) Complete the Online Training Clinics: **(1) Foundation of Officiating (2) Stroke and Turn Certification.**

NOTE: Online courses are located by logging onto your USA Swimming dashboard and clicking on the Education Tab.

On Deck Apprentice Stroke and Turn Official's Training:

- (1) Must wear the appropriate Pacific Swimming official's attire; white polo type shirt or blouse navy blue pants, shorts, skirt, or skort, white closed athletic shoes, and white sox (if sox are visible).
- (2) Attend any non LSC Championship Meets.
- (3) Sign-In at officials' desk.
- (4) Attend Officials' meeting held one (1) hour prior to the start of each session.
- (5) For Stroke and Turn Official, must have in their possession the **Stroke & Turn Certification check sheet.** (found on Pacific Swimming website)
- (6) Responsible to have basic knowledge of the Certification Performance Requirements as indicated on the check sheet.
- (7) Required to have Meet Referee sign the Certification check sheet upon COMPLETION of EACH training session.
- (8) Required to ensure all prerequisites are met and attended a minimum of four (4) training sessions over two (2) different meets.
- (9) May request additional training session(s).
- (10) Submit completed Certification check sheet to the appropriate Certifier (see Certifiers)

Note: *If an Apprentice Official has not shown the necessary competency in the position after completing the required training sessions, the LSC OC, or designee, shall provide the Apprentice Official with a written action plan of the steps needed to successfully obtain certification.*

Certifiers

Zone 1 South – Jeanette Soe (jgonsoe@yahoo.com)

Zone 1 North – Katherine Ng-Suen (beautykath@yahoo.com)

Zone 2 – Lisa Kaplan (zone2official@gmail.com)

Zone 3 – Sarah Obbagy (sobbagy@pacswim.org)

Zone 4 – Valerie Rudd (vruddtahoe@me.com)

Purchase Uniforms

Pacific Swimming Uniforms and Name Tags may be purchased on the Pacific Swimming website, under the officials tab.

Questions:

Email (officials@pacswim.org)

