



Oregon Swimming, Inc.

Official's Prerequisites

All positions: The Official should begin on-deck training as soon as possible following a clinic, preferably within 90 days. If circumstances do not allow that, then contact your Area Officials Chair for guidance.

Stroke and Turn, Electronic Timer

1. USA Swimming Registration;
2. USA Swimming Background Check;
3. USA Swimming Athlete Protection Training; and,
4. Stroke & Turn or Electronic Timing Clinic.

Starter:

1. Current USAS Registration, Background check and Athlete Protection Training;
2. Certified as Stroke and Turn for 1 year;
3. Minimum of 10 sessions as Stroke and Turn, at multiple pools; and;
4. Starter Clinic, with recommendation of a Referee and Area Officials Chair approval.

Referee:

1. Current USAS Registration, Background check and Athlete Protection Training;
2. Referral from a member of the Official's Committee;
3. Certified as Starter for 1 year;
 - a. 20 sessions as Starter.
 - b. 10 of these sessions heavy in B/C swimmers.
 - c. A track record of consistently working at multiple pools.
4. Stroke and Turn Trainer;
5. Starter Trainer recommended;
6. At least 4 sessions as Chief Judge at OSI Championship meets during the approximately one year prior to beginning Referee training; and, at minimum,
 - a. 2 Prelims sessions
 - b. 2 Finals sessions
7. Referee Clinic. Participation in the annual OSI Fall "Swimposium" is strongly preferred for Referee training clinic. Initiate any request for exception with your Area Officials Chair.
8. Non-Starting Referee
 - a. Officials Committee may grant under exceptional circumstances, such as a disability.
 - b. Certified as Stroke and Turn 3 years;
 - c. Starter training observing starts and interacting with Referee; and,
 - d. May not be a Starter Trainer.

Administrative Official:

1. Current USAS Registration, Background check and Athlete Protection Training;
2. Certified as Electronic Timer;
3. 8 sessions as Electronic Timer, at least one of which must not be hosted by the ET's home club; and,
4. Administrative Official Clinic, with AO recommendation and Area Officials Chair approval.