

PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

To be submitted to Marie Lin (<u>secretary@pacswim.org</u>) the Sunday prior to the next BOD meeting

Committee: Officials Committee

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Summary:

The committee revised the Minimum Officials Requirement for all LSC levels and positions of officiating. The new document is simpler to understand and easier to read. In addition to conform to the requirements, new evaluations were created for each of the officiating position. Our goal was to make the process of advancement less confusing and more encouraging to promote through the ranks of officiating. This new document can be found on the Pac Swim Officials Page. Click Here

The document on "How to Become and Official" is a one page revised document created for potential new officials, that coaches and team leaders can hand out to parents to be prospective officials. This document is a simple to read step by step list of prerequisites for achieving first level certification. This document can also be found on the Pac Swim Officials Page. <u>Click Here</u>

The officiating team for the CA/NV Speedo Sections in Novato have been selected. USA Swimming has approved this meet to be a Official Qualifying Meet (OQM). National evaluations for officials will be taking place. Please encourage your team's stroke and turn officials to apply. Applications can be found on the Western Zone website.

The committee discussed the 2023 technical rule changes, which included the most notable change in the breaststroke: no requirement for the arms and legs to move in a horizontal plane.

2023 Pacific Swimming LSC wide in-person clinic, October 14, 2023, Pleasant Hill.

To facilitate continuous education of existing and new officials, All 5 Zones have held or are scheduled to hold mini officials' clinics in the first quarter.