

PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

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

Committee: Officials Committee

Liaison to the Board: Diana Fetterman

Date of Last Meeting: April 12, 2023

Date of Next Meeting: July 12, 2023

Items:

LSC Meet: There was an exceptional turnout of officials attending the recent Age Group Champs and the Far Westerns. The Post CCS Walk-On meet hosted by SCSC, is being staffed with extra officials to accommodate the possibility of a two course short course session in the morning and chase starts in long course in the afternoon's session. It is anticipated that this meet will be highly attended due to no CCS Post Walk-On meet this year. Long course Age Group Champs and long course Far Westerns can both use more assistant chief judges.

OTS Update:

Meet history is now viewable by all in their dashboards, from Sept 2022 to current. Sessions worked need to be imputed by MR promptly after the meet is concluded. Currently all club affiliations for an official are listed instead of just the official's current affiliation.

Swim Offs:

Meet Referees are encouraged to contest swim offs per the rule book. Swim Offs are part of preliminaries process and should not be contested just before the final's session.

National Minimum Officiating Standards:

USA-S has established a committee to revise the national minimum officiating standards and advancements. More details will be discussed during the LSC Official Chairs' workshop in Denver.

National Advancement and Recertification:

The OTS is not fully functional, therefore, the national officials committee has created a workaround for those wanting to apply for their national certification, advancement, and recertification. An electronic applications can be found on USAS/officials/national certification website. Proof of learning and teaching activities have been temporarily suspended.

Rules:

The starting language and backstroke finish were discussed.

Rule Books:

USA-S on March 2, 2023, sent out the 2023 Rule Books.

LSC Officials' Workshop:

The Pac Swim LSC Officials Chair will be attending the workshop in Denver, Colorado, April 20-23, 2023