



Benefits/Procedure for Becoming an Official in Pacific Swimming

- 1) Gain a more thorough understanding of swimming strokes
- 2) Help support a sport that promotes a healthy lifestyle for our children
- 3) Become involved in the meet both mentally and physically
- 4) Fulfill volunteer requirements for your club
- 5) Get closer to the competition
- 6) Receive great hospitality
- 7) Preferred parking at most venues

Requirements:

Attend Training Clinic

Attend a beginning Stroke & Turn training clinic. The clinic includes instruction, discussions, and a USA Swimming produced video tape on judging strokes, turns and relay takeoffs. Zones conduct mini stroke and turn clinics throughout the year or you can attend the LSC Officials Clinic held every October.

Register as an Official

- Before you can be certified, you must register as a non-athlete member (Official) of USA Swimming: [Click Here](#)
- Create a user account on USASwimming: [Click Here](#)
- Complete online written Stroke and Turn test (open book) USASwimming: [Click Here](#)
- Complete Athlete Protection Test USA Swimming: [Click Here](#)
- Complete Level 2 Background Check USA Swimming: [Click Here](#)
- Complete Concussion Protocol Training. USA Swimming (**Certification of completion must be emailed to laurie@pacswim.org**): [Click Here](#)

On Deck Field Training

Once you have completed the requirements above you must work at least four days at a sanctioned USA Swim Meet under the direction of an experienced official. Thereafter, you may request to be evaluated. **The evaluations take place over two days at two different swim meets. You must be recommended for advancement by two different Meet Referees (or their designee) and approved by the Zone Official's Chair.**

- *Evaluation shall be performed by an Official's Committee approved Evaluator*
- *Each evaluation for advancement shall be performed over 2 days of the Meet.*