Z1S Official Approval Process League, Invitational, Inter-squad Meet

September 2018

For League, Invitation and Inter-Squad Meets, the league/host team is responsible for recruiting officials to fill key official roles including Meet Referee, Deck Referees, Starter and Admin Official and also ensuring that the meet has adequate official staffing to be in compliance with USA-S rules.

Before the meet can be sanctioned, it is the responsibility of the Z1S Official Chairs to approve the officials in key officiating roles to ensure they have the right certification and level of experience to fill that role.

We are trying to eliminate various issues with respect to Official assignment that has required extra rework by the Sanctions Chairs, both Z1S and Pacific. Some examples are listed below:

- Officials assigned to a named role on the meet sheet without the correct certification or that are not officials
- Officials assigned to a named role without their knowledge,
- Insufficient Stroke and Turn Officials to ensure meet is run in fairly and in accordance with USA-S rules

Process change starting with 2018-19 Season

- 1) Clubs/leagues that sanction meets will provide the official chairs with a list of officials this will be filling key roles, as well as a list of S&T officials available to work the meet
- 2) Official chairs will approve the list of officials assigned to the meet by adding the meet to the Official Staffing Spreadsheet Invite/League tab
- 3) Meet Referee to provide a follow-up report to official chairs to confirm meet was adequately staffed.