

SWIM MEET JOB DESCRIPTIONS

ANNOUNCER: Announces first, second and final calls for each event. Works closely with the starter to keep the meet running smoothly. The announcer will need to anticipate flow based on the number of swimmers, the stroke, the number of lengths to be swum, and the age of the swimmers. Announcers will announce events, heats and swimmers' names.

STARTER: Starts each event with the announcement of the age and stroke and the words "SWIMMERS TAKE YOUR MARK", pauses to make sure that all swimmers are motionless, and then gives an electronic sound or a blast of a whistle. He/She shall be the sole judge of FALSE STARTS and all false starts shall be restarted. *This individual must be trained for this position.*

STROKE & TURN JUDGE: Work in pairs on each side of the pool with one member of a pair being from each team. Judges only rule on infractions on their side of the pool. They observe strokes, turns, and finishes to see that swimmers comply with requirements for that stroke. *Training is required for this position (a training clinic will be scheduled at our pool prior to the first meet of the season).*

FINISH JUDGE: Records the order of the swimmers' finishes (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) in the first heat only of each event.

LANE TIMERS: Records the swimmer's time. Each timer is provided a stopwatch and assigned a lane; there are three timers for each lane. All three times are recorded and the middle time becomes the official time. This job gives you the best view of the pool and the swimmers during their races. ** No experience required

READY BENCH: They are the key to keeping a meet on schedule. Responsible for lining up the swimmers by event, heat and lane and getting them to the starting blocks in the correct order and on time. This job gives you the chance to see your swimmer immediately before his/her event. This position is not recommended for parents new to swim team.

SCORING TABLE/MEET MANAGER/ASSISTANT: Responsible for taking the finish judge sheets and timer sheets to enter into Meet Manager to create final results. This position is not recommended for parents new to swim team.

RUNNER: Responsible for obtaining the completed event cards and DQ forms for each race from the timers and judges. The cards and DQ forms are delivered to the scoring table. The job title is very descriptive. Runners should have good tennis shoes that work well on slippery wet surfaces. This job keeps you moving around at the poolside and the time passes quickly.

SNACK BAR: Sells concessions. Usually shaded with tent.

ALTERNATES: Alternates are only used in case of another volunteer having an emergency the day of the meet that prevents them from working their assignment.