

Competitions Coordinator: Skills and Standards

Purpose:

To oversee the planning, execution, and development of diving competitions that promote skill development and uphold standardized guidelines, ensuring consistency, fairness, and growth opportunities for athletes across all levels.

Responsibilities:

Skills-Based Competitions:

1. Program Development:

- Design and implement competitions focused on skill progression, such as "skills challenges" or technique-based events.
- Create categories and scoring systems that emphasize individual skill mastery (e.g., best splash-free entry, highest tuck rotation).

2. Engagement and Outreach:

- Collaborate with coaches and clubs to encourage participation in skills-based competitions as developmental tools.
- Develop promotional materials to highlight the benefits of skills competitions for athletes of all levels.

3. Recognition and Incentives:

- Develop award systems that recognize athletes for specific skills (e.g., certificates, medals, or scholarships).
- Highlight standout performances on PDCA platforms to encourage broader participation.

Standardized Competitions:

4. Competition Standards:

- Develop and maintain standardized rules and guidelines for all PDCA-sanctioned competitions, ensuring fairness and consistency.
- Align standards with national and international diving regulations to maintain credibility and alignment with larger governing bodies.

5. Event Management:

- Organize and oversee PDCA-sanctioned competitions at regional, zone, and national levels.
- Manage logistics, including venues, registration, schedules, and equipment needs.

6. Judging and Scoring:

- Recruit and train qualified judges to ensure consistent and fair scoring.
- Develop educational materials and workshops to standardize judging practices.

Promotional Activities:

7. Event Marketing:

- Collaborate with the PDCA marketing team to promote competitions through social media, newsletters, and the PDCA website.

- Highlight the benefits of participation, such as skill development, recognition, and community engagement.

8. Athlete Engagement:

- Encourage participation by promoting competitions as opportunities for athletes to showcase their abilities and gain recognition.

Collaboration and Growth:

9. Coach and Club Involvement:

- Partner with coaches and clubs to integrate skills-based and standardized competitions into their training programs.
- Solicit feedback from participants, coaches, and officials to improve competition formats and operations.

10. Innovative Competition Formats:

- Explore new formats, such as virtual competitions, team-based events, or themed challenges, to attract diverse participants.

Tracking and Reporting:

11. Participation Metrics:

- Track participation rates, performance trends, and competition outcomes.
- Provide detailed reports to the PDCA President and board on competition successes and areas for improvement.

12. Impact Evaluation:

- Assess how competitions contribute to athlete development and PDCA engagement.
- Use feedback to refine rules, formats, and promotional strategies.

Qualifications:

- Strong understanding of diving competition formats, scoring, and regulations.
- Experience in event planning and management, preferably in sports or nonprofit organizations.
- Exceptional organizational and communication skills to coordinate with coaches, athletes, and officials.
- Ability to manage budgets, logistics, and timelines effectively.
- Passion for diving and a commitment to fostering athlete development and fair competition.

Reporting:

The Competitions Coordinator will report directly to the PDCA Vice President of Events and provide regular updates on competition planning, participation, and outcomes.