



Official's Training Clinics

In September 2023, the House of Delegates of USA Swimming passed R-9, which has profoundly changed how officials are certified by LSCs. As of February 1, 2024, all swimming officials in the US will have to meet the same criteria. Over the next 12-18 months, all training will be moved online to the USA Swimming Site. Starting April 1, 2024, the Stroke and Turn module (training and test) will be launched; followed by Administrative Official and Starter on October 1st, and Referee by spring 2025. Training will then be available online, on demand by signing into your USA Swimming account under the "Education" tab. LSC training clinics will be offered until the new modules by USA Swimming are launched.

The first step in becoming an official is to take a clinic. Currently all clinics are offered online.

- If you are interested in the "wet side," start by taking a Stroke and Turn Official clinic.
- If you are interested in the "dry side," start by taking an Administrative Official clinic.
- If you are interested in becoming a Starter or Referee, you must complete the Stroke and Turn Certification, first.

Official's Clinics Calendar Guide:

- Clinics are posted under "EVENTS" about 4 weeks prior to the training.

Clinic Type:	Month Offered
Administrative Official	October, mid-January, May
Stroke and Turn	Will be online, on demand training. Log into your USA Swimming account and go to the tab "Education". Will be launched April 1, 2024.
Starter	November, January, May, August/September
Referee	February and October

To register for an online Official's Clinic:



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- **Please go to the EVENTS tab of the Wisconsin Swimming website to find clinics that are currently offered.**
- **All offered clinics are listed by date & description of certified positions.**
- **Please be prepared to pay a \$25 fee when registering online.**

If you have any questions about officials training clinics, please contact the Wisconsin Swimming Official's Chair, officialschair@wisconsinswimming.org