

### Why become a swim official?

As a parent of a swimmer, you have the opportunity to get involved with your children and their sport in a significant way. LCB & Indiana Swimming needs trained officials to provide fair and equitable competition for all swimmers.

### What are the different roles for Officials?

Most swim officials begin by becoming certified as Stroke & Turn Judges, ensuring that our athletes consistently swim according to USA Swimming rules. Swim officials are also needed to operate the electronic timing equipment and to manage the administrative aspects (seeding, results, etc.) of the meet. After gaining more experience, many of these officials advance to become Starters (ensuring that all swimmers get a fair start) and Referees (in charge of the overall competition).

### What kind of training is provided?

You'll start by attending an officials clinic, where the rules of swimming and procedures of officiating are presented and discussed. At your first several meets, you'll be "shadowing" experienced officials who will serve as trainers and mentors. Training materials and additional clinics are readily available.

### What are the benefits?

You'll be close to the action. You'll learn all the rules of the sport. You'll be working with the greatest group of volunteers in all sports. It's a great way to meet future Olympians—unless you already have one in your home!



**If you have further questions or wish to take the first step to becoming a deck official, Please e-mail [president@lcbswim.com](mailto:president@lcbswim.com)**



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