

Referees Safety Checklist



- **Note, Locate, Resolve**
 - Locate nearest exits
 - Locate and meet facility Manager and Safety Staff leader
 - Check Emergency Action Plan
 - Locate first aid equipment, check contents
 - Is the pool chemical balance and temperature OK?
 - Locate emergency call phone and **numbers**
 - Locate: backboard, blood spill equipment and AED
 - Ambulance - on campus or external? Directions to the pool available?
 - Note dangerous areas including loose cords or electric wires - resolve
 - Forms** – Are Report of Occurrence forms available?
- **911 and Lightning Protocols** Learn - Convey to coaches, officials
 Who monitors lightning? Are there "Safe" areas?
- **Marshals**
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 - Is diving board blocked off, and not hazardous?
 - Are the lane lines safe? loose wires, stable anchors.
 - Are ladders safe?
 - Is training equipment out of the way?
 - Is the deck too slippery?
 - Are there any open pole or starting block holes?
 - Touch Pad and Anchors: sharp edges, projections
 - Consider accommodations for swimmers with disabilities
 - Is there sufficient gathering area behind the blocks?
 - Are Spectators separated from Meet Operation areas?
 - Can Officials operate safely and without interference?
 - Shade, Hydration and Chairs for Officials and Timers.
 - Warmup Pool – don't forget all of above that's applicable.
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