



## Become a Swim Meet Volunteer

Parent volunteers are one of the biggest assets to swimming and to our club!

For the most part, our club's only fundraisers are swim meets. Parent volunteers are essential for all METS hosted swim meets. We couldn't do it without you!

Volunteer positions for METS hosted meets:

No Experience/Requirements Necessary:

**Timer:** This position is usually the highest need, but it also very simple. Each lane at the pool requires between 1-2 times per lane to ensure accurate times for the swimmers. Timers use stopwatches and automatic buttons to record times. There is a timers' meeting before the meet that goes over the process.

**Head Timer:** The Head Timer supervises the timers in each lane and assists the timers if there is a timing malfunction.

**Marshall:** Marshalls are responsible for ensuring the swimmers behave in a safe manner (No running, etc.) They are responsible for enforcing warm-up procedures and maintaining order in the venue. They have the authority to warn or with the concurrence of the meet referee to have removed from the venue anyone behaving in an unsafe manner or using profane or abusive language.

**Runner:** Runners do a variety of jobs including posting results, collecting timer sheets from the timers, and delivering them to meet management, etc.

**Hospitality:** Swim meets provide snacks, drinks, and meals at swim meets for coaches and officials working at the meet. Hospitality workers may need to plan/order meals/food and ensure items are delivered, presented, and replenished in the hospitality area.

If you are interested in any of the above positions, contact a coach or simply sign up when positions are posted for an upcoming meet!

Requirements Necessary:

**Official:** Officials ensure that the competition runs smoothly and according to USA Swimming rules. They have undergone training, including apprenticeship, passed rules tests, and have undergone evaluation by an experienced official before being certified. In addition, they are required to pass criminal background checks and to take athlete protection courses prior to stepping on deck. While this position does usually require more commitment, it is also a very rewarding role. If you are interested in becoming an official, please contact our Officials' Coordinator, Dana LeVasseur, at [Dnalver\\_Swim@hotmail.com](mailto:Dnalver_Swim@hotmail.com).