



South Carolina Swimming Officials

Who Are Swimming Officials?

Swim meets are more than just swimming, they require a team of volunteers to ensure the meet runs smoothly and efficiently. Among the dedicated volunteers working at a swim meet are the swimming officials, the ladies and gentlemen that strive to maintain a fair, competitive environment for all swimmers.

Why Become a Swimming Official?

There are many important and exciting reasons to become a swimming official!

We need you!

- At almost every swim meet, there is a need for officials despite the appearance on deck. As a representative of your swim club, you are directly contributing to the spirit of volunteerism and goodwill in the swimming community!

You experience unique camaraderie!

- As an important part of every swim meet team, you develop new and lasting friendships. You will meet other officials from all walks of life but yet you will all share the common bond of impacting the sport of swimming in a very meaningful way.

You get the best seat in the house!

- While you are there to ensure fair competition, you are right at the point of action in the pool. No better view of exciting swimming can be found in any stands!

Swimming is a sport run by volunteers!

- Unlike Little League where officials are paid and coaches are volunteers, swimming is one of the few sports where we pay for high-level coaching for our kids and officials are volunteers.

How do I Become an Official?

Now that you are excited to join the South Carolina Swimming Officials' team, find out what is required to become an official by visiting the South Carolina Swimming website at

www.sc-swimming.org

There you can discover the process of becoming an official. You may also contact the South Carolina Officials' Chair at officials@sc-swimming.org for more information. Finally, talk to other officials at your swim club to learn why officiating swimming is #OfficiallyAwesome!

The #OfficiallyAwesome Top Ten Reasons to Become a South Carolina Swimming Official

10. • It's way cooler on deck than in the stands!
9. • You are right there for all the action!
8. • You can get wet on a hot day!
7. • Your volunteer efforts are tax deductible for you!
6. • You understand swimming rules better than swimmers and coaches!
5. • There is the best camaraderie with other officials!
4. • This is the only job where your pay can never be cut!
3. • You get to work on your collection of cool white shirts!
2. • You build up a big pile of blank DQ slips over the years!
1. • You get the best hospitality with food and drink at meets!