



## **2015-2016 Southwest District New Officials Orientation/Training**

*We need Officials at all positions and from all Teams!*  
**Officiating is fun and rewarding. If you want to get involved and contribute to our sport, this is a great way to do it! We have many meets and the more officials we have, the easier it is to adequately staff them. The training will start with an introduction and overview of USA Swimming officiating and explanations of Virginia Swimming's officials training and certification process. This portion of the clinic is required for all those individuals who wish to train as either wet deck (stroke and turn) or dry deck (computer operator, timing judge, recorder) officials. The clinic will then continue with an introduction to officiating as a stroke and turn official.**

**Monday, September 28, 2015**

**Time: 6:30 PM**

**ACAC Family Fitness Center**

**500 Albemarle Square**

**Albemarle Square Shopping Center (Off Rt 29)**

**Charlottesville, VA 22901**

**If interested, please RSVP to**

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## **TOP TEN REASONS TO BECOME A USA SWIMMING OFFICIAL**

- 10. They give you free food and a heat sheet.**
- 9. You do not have to sign up for timing.**
- 8. The meet goes much faster while on deck.**
- 7. It is cooler on deck than in the stands; not as crowded either.**
- 6. You do not have to decide what to wear to the swim meet.**
- 5. You meet new and interesting people – across the state and country.**
- 4. You may be able to deduct travel expense on your taxes.**
- 3. You get to see your child swim up close and personal, and they know where you are when they need money.**
- 2. You have the satisfaction of knowing you are contributing to your child's swimming efforts.**
- 1. All teams need to provide officials in the meets we participate in, or the meet will not happen.**