



# Arizona Swimming

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<b>Timer</b>	11	<u>Education &amp; Training</u> None except pre-meet briefing. Performance monitored by Chief Timer during meet.  <u>Evaluation and Certification</u> Certify after passing USA Swimming Timer's test and satisfactory performance at one sanctioned meet.
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### Timing Equipment

<b>Operator</b>	16	<u>Education and Training</u> Formal clinic training. Must take and pass USA Swimming Timer and Timing Judge test. On deck apprenticeship with a trainer for three (3) sessions.  <u>Evaluation and Certification</u> Evaluation by trainer and/or Meet Referee to be reported to officials Chairman or his/her designee. To maintain certification must work a minimum of four (4) sessions at three (3) different sanctioned meets.
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<b>Clerk of Course</b>	18	<u>Education and Training</u> Formal clinic training. Must take and pass USA Swimming Timer, Timing Judge and Clerk of Course tests. On deck apprenticeship with a trainer for three (3) sessions.  <u>Evaluation and Certification</u> Evaluation by trainer and/or Meet Referee to be reported to Officials Chair or his / her designee. To maintain certification must work a minimum of four (4) sessions at three (3) different sanctioned meets.
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<b>Administration</b>	18	<u>Education and Training</u> Formal clinic training. Must take and pass USA Timer, Clerk of Course and Administration tests. On deck apprenticeship with a trainer for three (3) sessions.  <u>Evaluation and Certification</u> Evaluation by trainer and/or Meet Referee to be reported to Officials Chair or his/her designee. To maintain certification must work a minimum of four (4) sessions at three (3) different meets.
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**Stroke and Turn**      18      Education and Training  
Formal clinic training. Must take and pass USA Swimming Timer and Stroke and Turn test. On deck apprenticeship with trainer for three (3) sessions.

Renewal

Attend Stroke and Turn clinic every other year; take and pass all required USA Swimming tests in alternate year. Or, attend Stroke and Turn clinic annually. Based on continuing evaluation by Officials' Chair or his/her designee.

Evaluation and Certification

Evaluation by trainer and/or Meet Referee to be reported to Officials Chair or his/her designee. Must complete certification within one year from date of clinic. To maintain certification must work a minimum of four (4) sessions at three (3) different sanctioned meets per calendar year.

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**Relay Take-off Judge**

Education and Training

Must be certified Stroke and Turn Judge or Referee

Evaluation and Certification

Considered part of Stroke and Turn certification

Evaluation and Certification

Must have a minimum of three (3) years experience as a certified Stroke and Turn judge or one (1) year experience as a certified Referee.

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**Starter**

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Education and Training

Must have worked as a certified Stroke and turn judge for a minimum of twelve (12) months and then attend clinic, take and pass USA Swimming Starter's test and serve a minimum of five (5) session on deck at three (3) different meets and level of meets, with a certified starter.

Renewal

Attend Starter Clinic every other year; take and pass all USA Swimming required tests in alternate year. Or, attend Starter Clinic annually. Based on continuing evaluation by Officials' Chair or his/her designee.

Evaluation and Certification

Evaluation by trainer and/or Meet Referee to be reported to Officials Chair or his/her designee. Must complete certification within one (1) year from date of clinic. To maintain certification must work a minimum of four (4) sessions at three (3) different sanctioned meets per calendar year.



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<b>Referee</b>	21	<p><u>Education and Training</u></p> <p>Previous certification as a USA Swimming Starter for a minimum of twelve (12) months; then attend clinic; take and pass all USA Swimming officials tests. Recommend familiarity with the positions of announcer, clerk of course, starter, stroke and turn judge, timer, timing judge, administrative official and meet marshal. Attend Referee's clinic and apprentice on deck for a minimum of six (6) sessions at three (3) sanctioned meets with at least two different meet referees.</p> <p><u>Renewal</u></p> <p>Attend Referee's clinic every other year. Take and pass all USA Swimming tests alternative year, or, attend Referee's clinic annually. Based upon continuing evaluation by Officials Chair and or his designee.</p> <p><u>Evaluation and Certification</u></p> <p>Based on completion of Education and Training requirements and favorable recommendations of Trainers. To maintain certification must work a minimum of six (6) sessions at three different meets per year, with at least on sessions at an Arizona sanctioned meet.</p>
<b>Certified Trainer</b>	21	<p>Must be a regional coordinator or appointed by Officials Chair. There will be no more than five (5) appointments at any one time. Appointments will be for a two (2) year period with option for renewal at the discretion of the Officials Chair.</p>