

"SWIMMING OFFICIAL'S KIT" FOR APPRENTICE/NEW STROKE & TURN JUDGES

For officials who are training and new to the deck, figuring out all the equipment needed for your tasks can be overwhelming. Below are some suggestions to help you put together your "jump kit". We recommend you assemble and organize the listed items in a backpack or similar luggage item.

- Current official badge and credentials *
- Name tag *
- USA Swimming Rule Book (current edition) */ **
- Writing instruments—e.g., pens, pencils, etc.
- Officials' Training Log (See second item under "USEFUL WEB LINKS" below to obtain PDF copy.)
- Hardboard folder or binder (for storing paper documents—e.g., training logs, clinic handouts, etc.)
- Sun protection gear—i.e., headwear, sunglasses, sunscreen and lip balm
- Meet official uniforms (consult meet flyer and/or meet referee for exact details) ***
- Copy of meet flyer (most current version)
- Radio equipment: pair of rechargeable 2-way multi-channel/privacy code GMRS/FRS radios **plus** charging module, **compatible headset(s)** equipped with microphone and PTT (Push To Talk) button feature, belt clips, and copy of instruction manual(s) (See suggested examples below.)





Cobra ACXT145



Motorola MS350R



Uniden GMR3040-2CKHS

NOTE: This pair comes with all the suggested radio accessories; headsets will NOT have PTT button feature.

Headsets (with earpiece assembly and microphone):



XFox® Radio ME-04 Earphone headset (comes as a pair)



Zeadio® ZP-AR107 G-Shape Earpiece Headset

- * A Stroke & Turn apprentice will receive these items after becoming a certified official.
- ** One can download a PDF copy of the USA Swimming Rule Book via visiting www.usaswimming.org and then following these links in sequence: About Rules and Regulations (current swim year) USA Swimming Rule Book.
- *** Uniform is usually selected from an array of solid white and navy polo shirts, solid navy and khaki slacks and solid white shoes.

USEFUL WEB LINKS AND WEB PATHWAYS:

www.azswimming.org - Main web page for Arizona Swimming LSC

<u>www.azswimming.org/document-library</u> - select **Officials** tab for access to downloadable officials' documents (NOTE: Select **Officials Training Log** link under **Officials** tab to download PDF copy of Officials Training Log.)

<u>www.azswimming.org/document-library</u> - select **Registration & Sanctions tab** – select **Non-Athlete Application** (This will download the fillable PDF document needed to apply for the required annual Non-Athlete membership.)

www.azswimming.org/events - Event Calendar for entire Arizona Swimming LSC

<u>www.usaswimming.org</u> – select *SIGN IN* on top right bar – select *Click here* after "Need to create an account?" (Use to create your profile with USA Swimming; once you are a Non-Athlete member, it will allow you use of OTS.)

<u>www.usaswimming.org/backgroundcheck</u> (Follow this link to apply for the required initial and subsequent biannual background checks. You will need a valid major credit card to pay the screening fee each time.)

www.usaswimming.org/apt (Follow this to sit the required initial and biannual Athlete Protection Training modules.)

<u>www.usaswimming.org</u> – point to *MEMBER RESOURCES* on top bar – select *OFFICIALS* on appearing menu (This will allow you access to all information relevant to officials – especially the Officials Tracking System.)