



Volunteer Service Hour, Fundraising Obligation and Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement

The Halton Hills Blue Fins Swim Club is a non-profit organization that depends on active parent/family volunteer and fundraising for the success of the club and to maintain a positive level of team and club spirit. Therefore, we require that every family commits to participating in the running of the club by volunteering their time, fundraising and helping run our home swim meets for our swimmers.

Volunteer Service Hour Obligation

What is my Volunteer Service Hour Obligation?

Volunteer Service Hour Obligations per family are as follows (based on highest level swimmer in each family):

ND, Senior (White & Blue) and Junior (White & Blue) = 25 VSH

Intro (White, Blue & Gold) = 15 VSH

Mini Fins and Masters = Exempt

How do I earn Volunteer Service Hours?

VSH can be earned throughout the season at Swim Meets (officiating at home meets and officiating at away meets, with away meets earning double the VSH), Fundraising Events and other areas that are communicated throughout the season. Each position, or job function is assigned an hour value. Working these positions throughout the year allow one to earn hours. All competent family members (aged 12 and over) can participate in order to earn the total hours required.

How are my Volunteer Service Hours tracked?

After each event a list of volunteers and the positions worked will be submitted to the Club Administrator. *It is the responsibility of all volunteers to ensure that their name has been recorded by the event coordinator.* The Club Administrator will enter hours accumulated by all families into TeamUnify. Families can check their Service Hours at any time by logging into your HHBF Online account, any remaining balance being billed at \$10.00/hour on July 1st 2025.

Can hours be transferred or carried over to the following year?

Volunteer Service Hours must be collected within the current swim season and the total number of hours must be accumulated. They cannot be transferred or carried over.

Fundraising Obligation

What is my Fundraising Obligation?

Fundraising Obligations per family are as follows (based on highest level swimmer in each family):

ND, Senior (White & Blue), Junior (White & Blue) = \$300.00 per family

Intro (White, Blue & Gold) = \$250.00 per family

Mini Fins and Masters = Exempt

Why is my Fundraising Obligation important to HHBF?

Fundraising is and will continue to be a very important component to our club's success. We are a small club and every contribution towards fundraising is critically important for the financial sustainability of the club. The activity participation is strictly voluntary, and you can opt out by simply paying your obligation if you choose to do so.

How do I earn towards my Fundraising Obligation?

Our Fundraising Chair will be doing multiple Fundraising Events throughout the swim season. In the past, these events included Flower Fundraisers, Cookie Fundraisers, Bottle Drive, Meat Fundraisers and Chocolate Fundraisers to name a few.

How are my Fundraising Funds tracked?

After each event the amount of Fundraising Funds earned will be calculated by our Fundraising Chair and entered into TeamUnify. Families can check their Fundraising Obligation at any time by logging into their TeamUnify account. Outstanding Fundraising Obligation amounts will be billed on July 1st, 2025.

Can Fundraising Obligation Funds be transferred or carried over to the following year?

Fundraising Obligation Funds must be collected within the current swim season and they cannot be transferred or carried over.

Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement

What is my Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement?

Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirements are as follows (based on highest level swimmer in each family):

ND and Senior (White & Blue) = 4 Home Meets

Junior (White & Blue) = 3 Home Meets

Intro (White, Blue & Gold) = N/A

Mini Fins and Masters = Exempt

How do I earn towards my Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement?

You can earn towards your requirement by signing up to Officiate at HHBF Home Swim Meets, there is a variety of help needed to run a successful swim meet for our swimmers. Details will be communicated for any upcoming meets.

How do I take courses that are required for Officiating?

HHBF runs in-house Officiating Clinics for our families throughout the season and some clinics may also be taken online. Further details regarding online clinics can be found on our website under [SWIM MEETS/OFFICIATING](#).

Why is my Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement important to HHBF?

The focus of our club has always been our swimmers. This can take on many forms, and one significant aspect is racing. Competition provides an environment for goal achievements, pushing limits, setting records, and continual improvement. The Blue Fins have a long tradition of training officials and hosting meets to provide our swimmers with multiple opportunities to hone their skills in competition. Hosting meets and time trials allows us to customize the competition environment as well as involve and educate the parents in the sport and the development of our swimmers.

Competitive swimming in Canada runs on volunteers. From the smallest Mini Fins meet to National and Olympic Trial meets, all officials use their own time to support swimmers. Organizers depend on the generous efforts of Officials to run all our meets, most of the time when Officials don't even have swimmers in the water. It is important for us, as a Club, to honour our club's heritage by hosting meets and to raise the status of our club within the swimming community.

We look forward to seeing everyone on the deck!

How are my Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirements tracked?

After each home meet the Officials attendance taken at the meet will be noted and stored by our Club Administrator for the season.

Can Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirements be transferred or carried over to the following year?

Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirements must be collected within the current swim season and they cannot be transferred or carried over.

What happens if I don't reach my Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement?

If families do not meet their Home Swim Meet Officiating Requirement, a fee of \$200.00 will be billed on July 1, 2025.