



FINA Open Water Swimming Certification Schools for Officials Programme

Day 1

Welcome and Introduction

- Introduction of Participants
- School Objectives
- Introduction of Officials -
- Roles proscribed by FINA
- Review Duties & Powers of Officials
 - Chief Referee
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 - Starter
 - Chief Timekeeper
 - *Determining the swimmers returned time*
- Timekeeper
 - *Exercise Determining official time - Application of Rule SW 11*

Coffee break: 10:30-10:45

Duties & Powers of Officials... cont..

- Turn Judge
- Feeding Platform Judge
- Race Judge
- Finish Judge
 - Determining the manual finish placing
- Chief Finish Judge
 - Exercise in Determining Official Placing

Lunch break (12.30 – 13.30)

Duties & Powers of Officials... cont..

- Safety Officer
- Course Officer
- Medical Officer
- Clerk of Course
- recorder
- Reserves

Coffee break (15.00 – 15.15)

Duties & Powers of Officials... cont..

- Confirmation of Finish Placings & Times
- Use of Video recording/Slo-mo equipment
 - Exercise in determining the Official Result

End of Session (17.00 Approx.)



DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Day 2

Race Rules

- The Start
- Venue
- The Race
 - Disqualification Procedure
 - Emergency Abandonment
 - Finish

Coffee break (10.30 – 10.45)

Competition Management:

- FINA Standards – World Championships / Marathon Swimming World Series / UltraMarathon Series / Other events
- Event planning
- Water Quality & temperature
- Technical Officials Meeting
- Team Leaders Meeting

Risk Management

Safety Considerations & planning for Risk minimisation

- Assistance & Support
- Boats/Escort Craft
- Communications
- Pre-Race briefings – Officials / Teams / Safety Support
- Emergency Abandonment Procedure

Lunch break (12.30 – 13.30)

Officials' Decision Making

- Infringements
- Protests

FINA OW Swimming Officials Lists

- Criteria
- Selection of Officials for World Championships and Olympic Games

Ethics - The Professional Official

Coffee break (15.00 – 15.15)

Questions & clarifications

Written Examination – 90 minutes

Summary & wrap-up

End of FINA Open Water Swimming Certification School for Officials

