



Meet Referee Application

Prelim/Final Meet and LSC Championship Meet

Updated February 2024

Name: _____ Club: _____

Email: _____

The Meet Referee position is not a certified position under USA Swimming’s certification standards. However, Minnesota Swimming sanctions many different levels of meets, which require different levels of experience for the Meet Referee, as the leader of the officiating team. Note that the following are guidelines; more or less experience may be encouraged prior to volunteering as a Meet Referee. **Prospective Meet Referees are highly encouraged to compete the tasks listed on this application prior to volunteering as the Meet Referee for a prelim/final or LSC championship meet.** When complete, e-mail a photo of this form to the Minnesota Swimming Officials Chair, Jack Swanson at JSwanson1519@gmail.com and mnswimofficialschair@gmail.com.

I have the following experiences as an official...

Task
<p>I have experience as a Deck Referee at the following levels of meets. Circle all that apply.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Intrasquad, Dual, and Development Meets ● Timed Final Meets of More Than Two Teams ● Prelim/Final Meets ● LSC Championship Meets
<p>I have experience as a Meet Referee at the following timed final meets. <i>At least four timed final meets with two or more teams participating are recommended.</i> Please list meets.</p>
<p>I have been a member of the assigned team (serving all sessions) at the following prelim/final or LSC championship meets, in which mentoring is received in the Meet Referee role. <i>At least one prelim/final and one LSC championship meet are recommended.</i> Please list meets.</p>
<p>I have volunteered as a Chief Judge at prelim/final or LSC championship meets. Circle One.</p> <p>Yes No</p>
<p>I have volunteered as an Administrative Official at prelim/final or LSC championship meets. Circle One.</p> <p>Yes No</p>

I have experience with the following skills:

Check One

Task	Yes!	Not Yet
Understands the role of the Meet Referee for prelim/final and LSC championship meets.		
Can explain <i>why</i> protocols for deck and paper flow are in place for LSC championship or prelim/final meets.		
Understands the role of the head starter in setting the DR/SR rotation and implementing meet protocols.		
Understands the role of the team lead chief judge and the chief judge team in organizing the officials and implementing meet protocols.		
Understands the role of the lead Administrative Official in ensuring times are accurate, and seeding of finals and distribution of results are prompt.		
Understands what an Officials Qualifying Meet is and the benefits of participating in an Officials Qualifying Meet.		
Knowledge of all components of the Meet Announcement. Collaborates with host or MNSI on the drafting of the meet announcement.		
Works well with host club and Meet Director.		
Adequately prepared for the meet and ensured meet logistics prior to Competition.		
Proactively and constructively interacted with coaches, swimmers, volunteers, and officials.		
Demonstrated thorough knowledge of rules and procedures.		
Acted professionally before, during, and after the meet in appearance and behavior as well as in leadership of the officials team		
Demonstrated ability to maintain control of all meet situations.		
Communicated expectations, job descriptions, and duties to officials, Meet Director, Safety Marshalls, and Clerk of Course.		

To be completed by mentor for second meet on assigned team at a prelim/final or LSC championship meet, receiving mentoring as a Meet Referee:

YES, I believe this official is ready to be a Meet Referee for an LSC championship or prelim/final meet.

I believe this official needs the following additional experience before serving as a Meet Referee for a LSC championship meet or prelim/final meet. with more than two teams (list on separate sheet).

Mentor Signature: _____

Date: _____

Thank you for volunteering as an official! Once complete, please send a photo or scan of your apprentice form to the Minnesota Swimming Officials Chair.