



OFFICIALS POLICY

To ensure we have capable and certified meet officials, Hornet Swim Club has a program offering account credits to on-deck non-swimming members who complete USA and IL Swimming training and meet all other IL and USA Swimming requirements.

To be eligible for credits, officials must work a minimum of four (4) meet sessions at USA Swimming/ISI Sanctioned Meets in a fiscal year (August to July), with at least three (3) sessions at home meets. Once an official completes four sessions and they are entered into the IL Official Tracking System (OTS) by the meet referee/head official, they become eligible for a \$50 account credit. Of these sessions, only two (2) training sessions count toward account credits. Documentation of completed sessions must be submitted to the Hornet Parent Board by September 1st, and credits will be applied within 30 days.

Following the initial four sessions, officials can earn additional account credits based on their highest certification and number of sessions worked. For example, an official certified as a Starter but working as a Stroke and Turn Official is credited as a Starter.

Additional credits are granted for working five (5) more sessions, with at least three (3) at home meets, totaling nine (9) sessions in a season:

- Administrative Official: \$150
- Stroke and Turn: \$250
- Starter: \$300
- Deck Referee: \$300

The maximum credits an official can receive after nine sessions are capped at:

- Administrative Official: \$200
- Stroke and Turn Official: \$300
- Starter: \$350
- Deck Referee: \$350

The number of credited officials per position is limited:

- Administrative Official: 4
- Stroke and Turn Judge: 8
- Starter: 4
- Deck Referee: 4

Advancing to a higher certification tier will place an official in that credit tier, regardless of the position worked at a meet. For example, an official certified as a Starter, Stroke/Turn, and AO is credited as a Starter only.