

HOW TO BECOME A:

Illinois Swimming Junior Official



What is Junior Officiating?

Junior Officials is a new program in USA Swimming that enables athletes 16-17 to become Stroke and Turn Officials. This presentation goes through the initial steps, certification process, and Jr. Official restrictions.



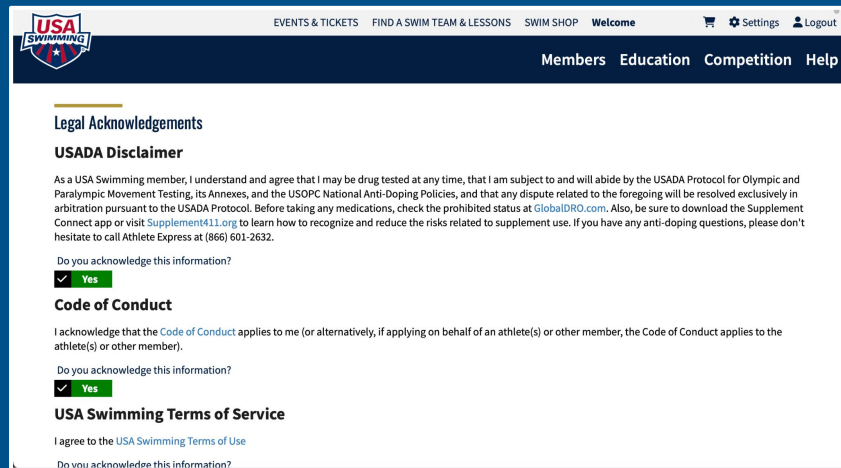
FIRST STEPS

This step requires an administrator from your Club

Before any athlete can become a USA Swimming Junior Official, they must be able to complete the technical training as stated in Rule 102.10.2 through USA Swimming University. To be able to do this, they must be added as a Junior Official to their club's membership list. Once a club administrator adds an athlete as a Jr. Official, in addition to "Athlete," they will be able to complete their training. Athletes will use a link provided to them by their club. **This link is club specific.** Do not share your link with others. Athletes will also need their 14 digit USA Swimming membership ID. It is important that athletes **do not create a second USA swimming membership.**

NEXT,

Once you follow the link from your club, you will see this page.



The screenshot shows the USA Swimming website's 'Legal Acknowledgements' section. The header includes the USA Swimming logo, navigation links (EVENTS & TICKETS, FIND A SWIM TEAM & LESSONS, SWIM SHOP, Welcome), and user options (Settings, Logout). A secondary navigation bar contains 'Members', 'Education', 'Competition', and 'Help'. The main content area is titled 'Legal Acknowledgements' and includes a 'USADA Disclaimer' with a paragraph of text. Below this, there are two sections: 'Code of Conduct' and 'USA Swimming Terms of Service', each with a 'Do you acknowledge this information?' prompt and a 'Yes' button.

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EVENTS & TICKETS FIND A SWIM TEAM & LESSONS SWIM SHOP Welcome Settings Logout

Members Education Competition Help

Legal Acknowledgements

USADA Disclaimer

As a USA Swimming member, I understand and agree that I may be drug tested at any time, that I am subject to and will abide by the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing, its Annexes, and the USOPC National Anti-Doping Policies, and that any dispute related to the foregoing will be resolved exclusively in arbitration pursuant to the USADA Protocol. Before taking any medications, check the prohibited status at [GlobalIDRO.com](https://www.globalidro.com). Also, be sure to download the Supplement Connect app or visit [Supplement411.org](https://www.supplement411.org) to learn how to recognize and reduce the risks related to supplement use. If you have any anti-doping questions, please don't hesitate to call Athlete Express at (866) 601-2632.

Do you acknowledge this information?

☒ Yes

Code of Conduct

I acknowledge that the [Code of Conduct](#) applies to me (or alternatively, if applying on behalf of an athlete(s) or other member, the Code of Conduct applies to the athlete(s) or other member).

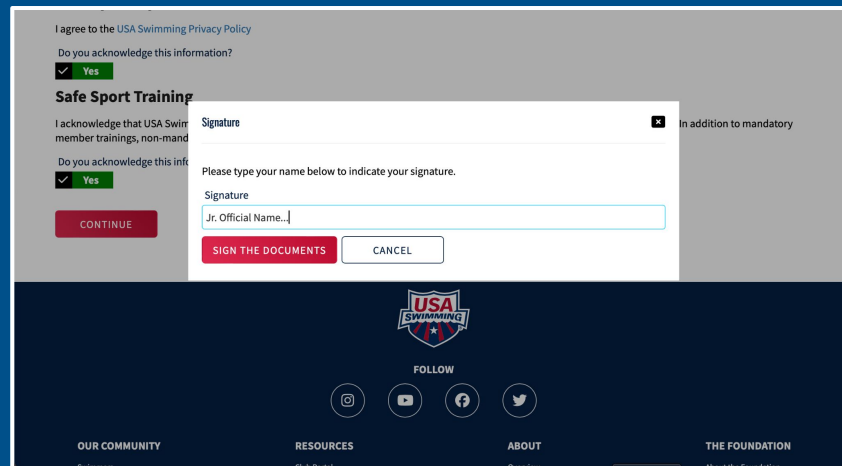
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USA Swimming Terms of Service

I agree to the [USA Swimming Terms of Use](#)

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The screenshot shows the 'Safe Sport Training' form. It includes a 'Signature' section with a text input field and a 'Jr. Official Name...' input field. There are 'CONTINUE' and 'SIGN THE DOCUMENTS' buttons. The footer features the USA Swimming logo, social media links (Instagram, YouTube, Facebook, Twitter), and navigation links (OUR COMMUNITY, RESOURCES, ABOUT, THE FOUNDATION).

I agree to the [USA Swimming Privacy Policy](#)

Do you acknowledge this information?

☒ Yes

Safe Sport Training

I acknowledge that USA Swimming member trainings, non-mandatory, are in addition to mandatory

Do you acknowledge this information?

☒ Yes

Signature

Please type your name below to indicate your signature.

Signature

Jr. Official Name...

CONTINUE

SIGN THE DOCUMENTS CANCEL

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After accepting the terms, athletes will need to enter their name to agree and continue.

ADDING THE ROLE

This step is important. Make sure NOT to “Register a New Member”

USA Swimming Online Member Registration

Welcome

Create New Memberships

Click 'Register New Member' to register a *new member* with USA Swimming. This registration is associated with

LSC: **Illinois Swimming (IL)**
Club:
LSC Contact: **Pamela Lowenthal**
(pam.lowenthal@ilswim.org)

If this is not the registration option that you intended, please get the correct link from your coach before starting your registration.

REGISTER NEW MEMBER

Click 'Add New Role to Existing Member' to register an *existing member* with USA Swimming. This registration is associated with

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ADD NEW ROLE TO EXISTING MEMBER

Renew Eligible Memberships

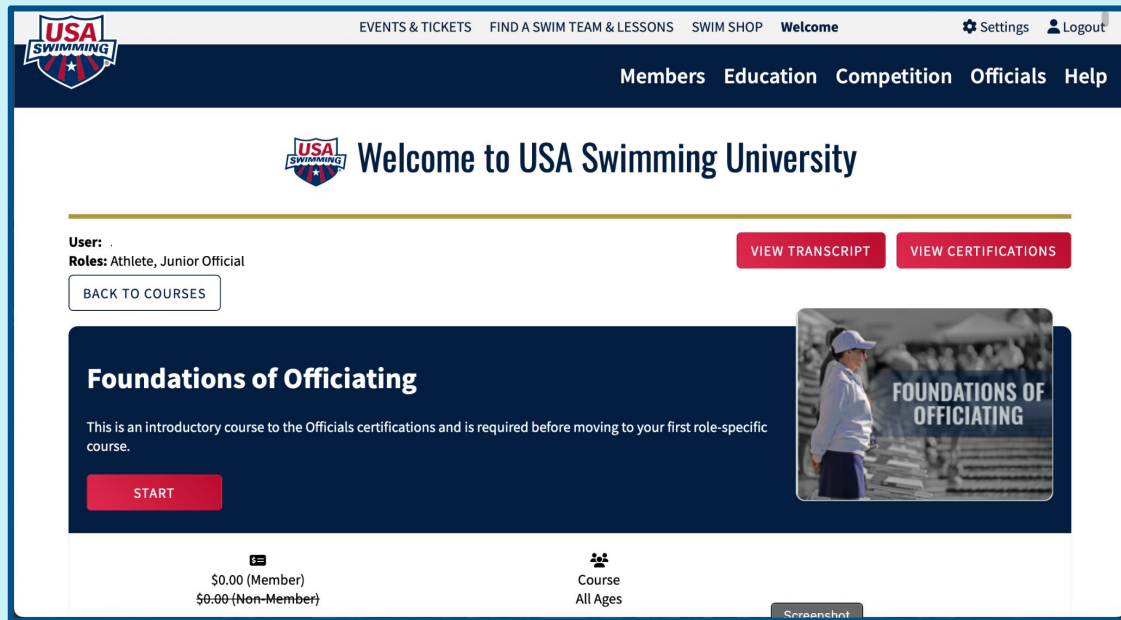
Because Jr. Official was added to your membership role, you will see this screen. Here, click “Add new role to existing member.” Again, it is important a second role isn’t added or a new member isn’t registered.

To add Jr Official as a membership role click “Add new role to existing member” and only select “Jr Official”. This will prevent a duplicate Athlete Membership. You will be charged \$17.00 for this added role of Jr Official.

CERTIFICATION COURSES

Foundations of Officiating

This is the introductory course for ALL officials. After completing this course, you can move on to either the Stroke and Turn or Administrative Official module.



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	\$0.00 (Member)	Course
	\$6.00 (Non-Member)	All Ages

A 'Screenshot' label is visible in the bottom right corner of the page.

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Administrative Official Module

This module gets into the more specific components of a Administrative Official role.

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OR Stroke and Turn Module

This module gets into the more specific components of a Stroke and Turn Official role.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

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SafeSport for Youth Athletes

In addition to the **Foundations of Officiating** and the **Stroke and Turn Module**, all Junior Officials must complete the **Safe Sport for Athletes 13-17** and **Concussion Protocol Training**.

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Concussion Protocol Training

You may have already completed the SafeSport module for athletes aged 13-17 for SafeSport Recognition for your club. Nevertheless, it needs to be completed and current to become a Junior Official.

UNIFORM

ALL Officials must be wearing the same outfit!

To fit in with your fellow officials, while on deck as an Junior Official, you must be wearing the appropriate uniform. The required attire for a USA Swimming Official is a **white shirt over blue bottoms, as well as white socks and shoes.**



GUIDELINES

Remember you are representing IL Swimming while Officiating!

Once you complete your online training and receive an email from the Illinois Swimming Officials Committee you are ready to begin your 4 required supervised Officiating sessions to complete your certifications. Please keep in mind the following:

- Need four sessions of supervised officiating to finish the certification process
- When you complete your online training, you will get an email from officials@ilswim.org
 - Can only officiate sessions the junior official is **NOT** swimming in
- Cannot officiate for an LSC championship meet (ALL Regionals and State Meets)

For a more detailed explanation of the steps to become a Junior Official, visit the Illinois Swimming Website [HERE](#).

GOOD LUCK!

We are excited to see you on deck!

Thank you for becoming a Junior Official! If you have any questions, feel free to contact **officials@ilswim.org**.

