

STARTER

TRAINING & CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- ❑ After at least 3 months and 4 sessions over a minimum of 2 meets as a certified S&T you may advance to Starter. You must attend a USA Swimming Starter Clinic. As NES clinics are scheduled, they can be found on the NE Swimming Officials [webpage](#) calendar. USAS Online Starter certification clinic module is planned to be in place by 10/1/2024. Once available that will be the required clinic to become Starter. It is recommended that you also attend NES in-person clinic(s) as available.
- ❑ Take and pass the USA Swimming Starter certification test (open book) available on the [USA Swimming online testing page](#).
- ❑ Apprentice at the Starter position for a minimum of 4 sessions over at least 2 meets, under the supervision of at least 2 different designated Trainers, and perform as Starter in a satisfactory manner.
- ❑ Requirements must be *completed within 1 year of clinic attendance*.
- ❑ When the above steps are all completed send an email to neswimofficials@gmail.com with cc: to your Trainers to have your completed certification processed by a Certifier.
- ❑ It is also recommended that you review and become familiar with the [Professional Official: Starter](#) document from www.usaswimming.org website - Officials > Officials Documents


Questions on Training and Certification requirements? Contact the New England Swimming Officials Committee @ neswimofficials@gmail.com

ADVANCING TO STARTER

 Complete training requirements to become a certified Starter



ADVANCING TO REFEREE

Complete training  requirements to become a certified Deck Referee

REFEREE

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- ❑ Once you're a certified S&T, Starter, and AO, attend a USA Swimming Referee Clinic. As NES clinics are scheduled, they can be found on the NE Swimming Officials [webpage](#) calendar. USAS Online Referee certification clinic module is planned to be in place in 2025. Once available that will be the required clinic to become Referee. It is recommended that you also attend NES in-person clinic(s) as available.
- ❑ Take and pass the USA Swimming Referee test (open book) available on the [USA Swimming online testing page](#).
- ❑ Apprentice at the Referee position for a minimum of 4 sessions over at least 2 meets, under the supervision of at least 2 different designated Trainers, and perform as Referee in a satisfactory manner.
- ❑ Have a trainer submit recommendation via an email to neswimofficials@gmail.com to have your completed certification processed – there is no automatic prompt that you have completed requirements.
- ❑ Requirements must be *completed within 1 year of clinic attendance*.
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- ❑ It is also recommended that you review and become familiar with the [Professional Official: Referee](#) document from www.usaswimming.org website - Officials > Officials Documents