



OBSERVATION OF APPRENTICE STARTER

NAME OF MEET: _____ DATE: _____

APPRENTICE STARTER: _____ VENUE: _____

EVALUATOR: _____ # OF STARTS: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

For the evaluator: Please fill out this form and share your observations with the candidate. Provide a written comment for any "NI" level marks. Any criterion for which N/A is not an option must be part of the evaluation (e.g. disabled athlete hand signals). Try to observe the apprentice do the timers' briefing – this is a requirement of the final evaluation.

Interpretation of ratings: E Excellent - Level of a certified starter A Acceptable - Level of a successful candidate (on track for certification)
NI In need of additional work N/A Situation not faced by the candidate

EVALUATION CRITERIA

E A NI N/A **Pre-Meet**

- Timers' briefing
- Preparation: checked mic, strobe, scoreboard (ready indicator), speakers, pads
- Reviewed protocol for false starts with Deck Referee/Meet Referee

Comments (required for any "NI" rating):

E A NI N/A **Starts**

- Was prepared to accept control from the Referee
- Positioning on the deck for forward starts
- Positioning on the deck for backstroke starts
- Poise/Patience
- Focus
- Voice: Tone
- Take Your Mark: rhythm and cadence
- Please stand command used properly
- Observed false starts
- Followed protocol for observed false starts
- Correctly executed necessary recalls
- Watched the pool after the start
- Notified Referee of open lanes
- Corrected toes up on backstroke starts
- Worked well with younger swimmers
- Worked well with older swimmers
- Handled in-the-water/from-the-deck starts
- Used disabled athlete hand signals

Comments (required for any "NI" rating):

E A NI N/A **Other Starter Duties**

- Took and provided order of finish
 Lap counting – kept track of the field
 Rang bell appropriately

Comments (required for any "NI" rating):

E A NI N/A **Miscellaneous**

- Helped Referee as second pair of eyes
 Adjusted well to unexpected circumstances and accepted suggestions well
 Adapted to two pool format

Comments (required for any "NI" rating):

RECOMMENDATION

1. Ready to be considered for Starter certification
 2. Successful performance, on track for certification
 3. Needs additional work before being considered for certification

Comments (required for any "NI" rating):

SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER: _____

E-MAIL: _____