

Chief Judges Guide To Officials' Positions Long Course

(Review with Meet Referee before meet to determine any preferences or changes)

Event/Stroke	Start End Judges	Turn End Judges	Stroke Judges
FREESTYLE			
50m	Off deck, or remain sitting	Off deck/help control traffic for starts	 One judge at 15m mark on each side of pool Stand when swimmers are in jurisdiction Lead & lag split W/M events
100m	Off deck, or remain sitting	Watch turns for four lanes from corners Stand when swimmers are in jurisdiction	 One judge at 15m mark nearest start end (on side away from starter's area) covering 8 lanes; one judge at 15m mark nearest turn end (on starter's side) Stand when swimmers are in jurisdiction Lead & lag split W/M events
200m +	 Sit at start of race Watch turns for four lanes from corners Stand when swimmers are in jurisdiction Do not observe finish 	(see 100m)	 (see 100m) At Referee's discretion, 15m marks may be monitored for only the first 100m of race
BACKSTROKE	Start: In pool with gutters, judges from outside lanes move to corners to observe toes after race has started Turns: stand at pool edge when swimmers in jurisdiction Finish: stand at pool edge when swimmers in jurisdiction	Turns: stand at pool edge when swimmers in jurisdiction	 Start: Lead at 15m, Lag about 7.5m During outbound length: Lead watches turns for all four lanes; Lag stops at 15m mark During inbound length: Lag (now lead) watches turns/finishes for all four lanes; Lead (now lag) stops at 15m mark
BREASTSTROKE	Start: stand at long whistle, return to chair when swimmer's head breaks surface of water Turns: stand at edge of pool when swimmers in jurisdiction (last arm stroke in until head breaks surface of water after turn) Finish: stand at pool edge when swimmers in jurisdiction (last arm stroke)	Turns: stand at pool edge when swimmers in jurisdiction (last arm stroke in until head breaks surface of water after turn)	Start: Lead at 7.5m, Lag at backstroke pole During outbound length: Lead moves almost to pool edge to watch turns for all four lanes; Lag stops between pole and 7.5m to pick up swimmers after turn During inbound length: Lag (now lead) moves almost to pool edge to watch all four lanes; Lead (now lag) stops at pole
BUTTERFLY	See Breaststroke	See Breaststroke	See BACKstroke
IM	Start: stand at long whistle, return to chair when swimmer's head breaks surface of water Turns/Transitions: observe protocol for stroke Finish: remain sitting, do not observe freestyle finish	Turns/Transitions: observe protocol for stroke	Observe protocol for stroke with these modifications: Prior to beginning of breaststroke leg: Lead (then lag) can move to between pole and 7.5m Toward end of breaststroke leg: Lead (then lag) stops at 15m mark to observe beginning of freestyle; walks leisurely back to start position During freestyle: Lead walks to far 15m mark to observe swimmers after turn; Lag stays at near 15m mark