

Devilfish Volunteer Requirements 2024-25 Season

Volunteers are a critical component of our team, meets cannot happen without them. ***Therefore, each Devilfish family is required to volunteer throughout the season. When you register your swimmer for the team, you are committing to meeting this expectation.***

There are three types of meets that you will be asked to support:

DUAL MEETS: A dual meet is when one Y team is competing against another Y team and occur both at home and away. Volunteer jobs for dual meets are typically limited to timers.

- ***Requirement:*** Expect to work at least **1 dual meet**. If you have multiple swimmers, on different dual meet teams, you may work more than one. Job sign ups will open when the dual meet schedule is set and communicated. Any jobs not filled one week prior to the meet will be assigned by the coaching staff.

INVITATIONAL: An invitational is a meet with swimmers from many different teams, typically involving multiple sessions over 2-3 days. Each participating team is given timing assignments based on the number of swimmers attending, the host team can remove all Devilfish swimmers from the meet if we do not meet our obligation.

Requirements are broken down between regular season and championship invitationals. Typical volunteer roles for invitationals are timers as well as marshals for our 12 & unders when needed.

- ***Requirement – Regular Season Invitationals:*** Expect to work **1-2 Invitationals per swimmer** during the regular season. This could increase based on the number of invitationals your swimmer(s) participate in and/or number of sessions attended within an invitational.
- ***Requirement – Championship Invitationals (Bronze, Silvers, States...)*** Expect to work at all championship meets that your swimmer is attending. Keep in mind, as the championship season progresses, there are fewer swimmers participating so you may work multiple championship meets, regardless of how many regular season meets you supported.

Timing assignments are typically received 3-4 days prior to the event—unfortunately, we do not have control over when we receive these assignments. At that time, the jobs will be posted on Team Unify for families to sign up. After 48 hours, any unfilled jobs will be assigned, starting with families that have the least amount of volunteer hours.

DEVILFISH CLASSIC: (October 18-20, 2024)

The Devilfish Classic is an invitational meet that we host at the Westfield YMCA. This is a massive undertaking and is an **ALL HANDS ON DECK** event. That means, without exception, all families are required to volunteer. There are numerous roles that need to be filled (Timers, Marshals, set up/clean up, etc.) and details on those sign ups will be sent out prior to the event by our Meet Director. If you have multiple swimmers attending multiple days, you should expect to work more than one session.

Once a job is assigned to you, it becomes your responsibility to make sure it is filled. Failure to fulfill your duty at any Dual or Invitational, or failure to find a replacement, will result in a \$100 fine that will be billed directly to your team unify account.