**Stroke & Turn Briefing (Deck Ref or Lead CJ)**

* Welcome, and thanks for volunteering your time to help officiate this meet.
* Stroke & Turn Briefing
* Emphasize importance of observance order
  + Early take-off requires that we move eye from block to wall
  + Similarly when we’re observing body positions off the wall, we’re 1st observing the separation of the swimmer from the wall.
  + Finally, this principal is important to note when observing the completion of backstroke events.
* Call Protocol … Prepare for three questions
  + Hand should go up immediately … the actual call can wait until you’re ready.
  + What did you see? (… and in what order!)
  + What was your jurisdiction?
  + What was the infraction?
* Remember the Golden Rule: Benefit of the Doubt …
* No shame in having a call over-turned … the benefit of the doubt rule applies to conversations with a S&T judge just like it applies to S&T observance. Remain humble, and don’t take an over-turned call personally.
* On Deck Posture
  + No cell phones
  + Heat sheet optional … but please be aware that larger meets restrict such.
  + Cover “Dance” … appearance is important
  + Applauding is not only allowed, but encouraged during the introduction of athletes.

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* Set the deck ... don’t forget relays
* Establish Jurisdictions
* Who will monitor 15 meter mark?
* Who will write-up DQs
* Deck Ref should “All Clear” to close events with Admin table.