

2025 Trial Year Dual Meet Timer Policy

If your team uses Semi-Automatic timing systems (Dolphin, TimeDrops, etc):

Timer 1: Clipboard + Semi-Automatic Watch

Timer 2: Semi-Automatic Watch + Manual Watch

If your team uses manual watches:

Timer 1: Clipboard + Manual Watch

Timer 2: Manual Watch

- This applies to **Dual Meets Only**. Prelims, Championships, and the All Star Meet will all require 3 timers per lane this season

- Lead Off Relay Splits will continue to follow 10.8.1

- League Records will have a similar protocol to 10.8.1 in dual meets. (For meets with 3 timers/lane, the below conditions are not required)

1. The meet ref must be notified at least 30 minutes before the race
2. A third timer should be supplied by the home team. (Manual or Semi-Automatic Watch)
3. The three timers cannot be coaches or parents of the swimmer.
4. Three times should be recorded and the median time taken as the official time.

- Three timers are NOT required for a swimmer to achieve an All Star qualification time.

- If you are using a semi-automatic timing system (Dolphins, TimeDrops, etc), **one person should never have 2 semi-automatic watches** as this skews the times in favor of the person holding two semi-automatic watches.

- During scoring training, the league will instruct the scoring teams to watch for discrepancies in times. (Meet management systems flag times if they are more than a set difference from each other.) This will be important data for determining whether to make this change permanent and/or apply it to other season meets, etc.

- The league will establish standard Head Timer instructions to be shared with all timers during the timers meeting to reinforce the importance of accurate times, etc.