## Becoming an Official

## A How-To Guide



1. Attend a Clinic by a certified clinic instructor (CCI) in person or attend a virtual clinic:

Zoom Stroke & Turn Clinics offered at 8 p.m. on:

April 12<sup>th</sup>
May 10<sup>th</sup>
June 14<sup>th</sup>
Register for the Zoom Clinic <u>HERE</u>.

- Register for a free 60-day Non-athlete Apprentice membership using your club-specific registration link (Unaffiliated applicants request the 'Unattached' link from Florida Swimming HERE).
- 3. Pass the Stroke & Turn/Timer test with at least a score of 80%. It's recommended that you complete this test BEFORE attending the clinic.
- 4. Apprentice on deck by signing in 1 hour prior to the start of a session. Attend the briefing, bring your apprentice form, and be assigned with a certified official mentor.
- Within 60 days of your first on deck apprentice session, you
  must upgrade your Apprentice status and pay for a NonAthlete Official membership <a href="https://www.usaswimming.org">www.usaswimming.org</a>
  >Login>MyAccount>General Info>Upgrade
- 6. Complete the Athlete Protection Training Core Course and Background Check. <a href="https://www.usaswimming.org">www.usaswimming.org</a> >Login>Education>ALL COURSES
- Complete one of the Concussion Protocol courses
   <u>www.usaswimming.org</u> >Login>Education>ALL COURSES
   and submit certificate to admin@floridaswimming.org
- 8. Learn about the Officials Tracking System: this shows you your complete history, accomplishments, and contributions to the athletes of Florida Swimming (& beyond)! It also serves as a record if you take your volunteer expenses off on your taxes.

Resources:

2023 USAS Rulebook



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