

Deck Referee Clinic Outline

- Inform Officials' Chair of scheduled Deck Referee Clinic
- Sign-in
 - Please email Officials' Chair a copy of the sign-in sheet. Save a copy for yourself
- Discuss and distribute Deck Referee materials

All materials can be found on the KYLSC web site – Officials – Clinic Documents:

 - The "Professional" Deck Referee
 - Guide to Officiating, Chapter 1 Referee
 - What is a False Start
 - **VERY IMPORTANT. Please make copies and distribute**
- Distribute Deck Referee Apprentice form (after power point presentation, explain each requirement)
- Explain Certification/Recertification requirements
 - Certification
 - Attend Deck Referee training clinic.
 - Hold Starter Judge certification for 1 year; have worked as a Starter Judge for at least 5 documented sessions
 - Complete Referee test with a grade of 80%
 - Complete 6 apprenticeships, at a minimum of 3 different meets, with multiple trainers having at least 1 years' experience as Deck Referee
 - Must complete apprenticeship within 1 year of clinic and test
 - USA swimming Non-athlete Registration, Background Check, and Athlete Protection Training must be current
 - Recertification
 - Complete requirements determined by Officials' Chair – either clinic attendance or an online test, alternating years
 - Work a minimum of 6 sessions per year at Starter or Deck Referee level with at least 3 at Deck Referee
 - USA Swimming Non-athlete Registration, Background Check and Athlete Protection Training must be current
 - Recertification must be completed by end of each calendar year.
- Present Deck Referee Power Point Presentation
 - Supply a printout of the presentation.
- Important Highlights
 - DO NOT DELAY!! As soon as last swimmer has stepped onto the block, extend the arm. The starter determines when the swimmers are ready for the TYM command
 - DO NOT DELAY!! Backstroke: As soon as the last swimmer's head surfaces, sound the second long whistle and extend arm. Do not wait for swimmers to get to the wall (that is the purpose of the second whistle). The starter determines when the swimmers are ready for the TYM command
 - Be sure starter can see extended arm
 - Remain focused on swimmers throughout the race
- Enter the clinic into OTS
 - Member Resources > Officials Tracking System > Activities > Put in the date of the clinic and KY Swimming from the LSC Drop Down menu > Search
 - Click on Participant tab > Click on Add Participants > Enter Last Names (put comma between each name) and KY Swimming from the LSC Drop Down menu > Search
 - Check box next to name of participant (student should already be included) > Click Add Selected Participants > Click Return To Participant List
 - Check for accuracy then click Save
 - You can generate a report for your files if you wish