

Starter Clinic Outline for Instructor

- Inform Officials' Chair of scheduled Starter Clinic
- Sign-in
 - Please email Officials' Chair a copy of the sign-in sheet. Save a copy for yourself
- Discuss and distribute Starter materials
 - All materials can be found on the KYLSC web site:
 - The "Professional" Starter
 - Guide to Officiating, Chapter 3 Starter
 - What is a False Start
 - **VERY IMPORTANT. Please make copies and distribute**
- Distribute Starter Apprentice form (after showing the video, explain each requirement)
- Explain **Certification/Recertification requirements**
 - Certification
 - Attend Starter training clinic
 - Hold STJudge certification for 1 year; have worked as a ST Judge for at least 5 documented sessions
 - Complete Starter test with a grade of 80%
 - Complete 5 apprenticeships, at a minimum of 2 different meets, with multiple trainers having at least 1 years' experience as Starter
 - 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 4 sessions per year in Starter capacity or higher
 - USA Swimming Non-athlete Registration, Background Check and Athlete Protection Training must be current
 - Recertification must be completed by end of each calendar year.
- Show "The Start; Philosophy and Protocol" DVD
 - You can purchase a copy from the USA Swimming Store
 - <http://www.swimoutlet.com/p/usa-swimming-the-start-dvd-8126344/>
- Practice with a starting system and/or swimmers (optional)
- Important Highlights
 - PATIENCE! PATIENCE! PATIENCE! Patience in giving the TYM command. Allow time for swimmers to get stationary prior to the starting signal.
 - Conversational TYM command...No sing-song; do not end "mark" in an "up" inflection
 - Observe all swimmers to heads up with microphone in the ready position in case a recall is necessary
 - Review disability starts
 - Review OOF (order of finish)
 - Timer's briefing (review and provide handout)
- 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