USA SWIMMING

RECOMMENDED STROKE AND TURN JURISDICTIONS

BACKSTROKE Turn Judge - Turning action must be continuous

- Full jurisdiction inside the backstroke flags

- On back until touch at finish and at end of backstroke leg in IM &

Medley Relay

- May be assigned to watch feet after start

Stroke Judge - Between the flags, the swimmer remains on back

- No Pulling on lane lines

- Head must break surface by 15m mark

- Judge walks between 15m marks

BREASTSTROKE Turn Judge - At start/leaving on turns

 Stroke/kick through first "head up" including widest arc of the 2nd arm pull

- On entering a turn/finish

Last stroke in – head breaking surface

Arms on same horizontal plane from beginning of the 1st arm pull

Elbows underwater, except last stroke at turn/finish

After last pull, arms need not be on same plane

· Simultaneous hand touch

· Proper arm stroke-kick cycle into turn/finish

Stroke Judge - Kick & stroke after head breaks surface

through next to last arm stroke into wall

- Responsible for kick all the way into the wall

- Elbows underwater during recovery phase

BUTTERFLY Turn Judge - Kick through 1st arm pull

- Body toward the breast when feet leave wall

- Body on breast by 1st arm pull

- last stroke in (underwater recovery)

- Simultaneous hand touch

Stroke Judge - Kick and stroke after 1st arm stroke

Through next to last arm stroke into wall
- Kick all the way into wall at turns/finish

- 15 m heads up mark

FREESTYLE Turn Judge - Full jurisdiction, observe turns/touches

And 15m head up mark

Stroke Judge - May be assigned recall rope and 15 m heads up mark