

## Ozaukee Aquatics Officials' Discount Policy

OZAUKEE AQUATICS (OZ) offers incentives to our volunteer **Starter Officials, Referee Officials, Stroke/Turn Officials, or Administrative Officials, (collectively “Officials”)**, who officiate at our home and away meets in the form of credit toward family dues. To achieve this benefit, OZ Officials **must** fulfill participation requirements, as follows:

- ❖ **Stroke/Turn Official** - \$25/session credit
  - ❖ **Starter Official** - \$35/session credit
  - ❖ **Administrative Official** - \$35/session credit
  - ❖ **Referee Official** - \$50/session credit
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- Credit is available for volunteering at OZ and Non-OZ meets.
  - As well as earning session credits, volunteering as an Official counts towards your family volunteer requirements for OZ hosted/sponsored meets
  - Credit earned is based upon certification level and not based upon the position worked at the meet.
  - Credit will be applied **only** upon completion and submission of OZ Officials Credit Request Form and USA Swimming Meet History Report, due within 60 days of meet date.
  - Credits cannot be used toward meet fees or team travel expenses.
  - Time Trial sessions are excluded from credits.
  - Apprentice sessions are excluded from credits.
  - Officials must meet the requirements below, of all OZ hosted/sponsored meets to be eligible to receive credits for non-OZ hosted/sponsored meets.
  - Family accounts with coach and official roles receive either coach complimentary dues OR official's credit.

### PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:

ALL OZ HOSTED/SPONSORED MEETS – This applies when your swimmer is an active member during the session and swimming at the Oz hosted meet. This may also require volunteering during a session your swimmer is not competing in.

- **5 Session Meets** - When OZ hosts a 5-session meet, OZ officials must officiate for **at least four sessions**. **Credits will not be awarded for any less than 4 sessions.** This will also satisfy your family volunteer hours required of all OZ families. Officials with only a high school female/male swimmer (**non-active OZ member**) during session, are required to officiate at least two sessions.
- **4 Session Meets** - When OZ hosts a 4-session meet, OZ officials must officiate for **at least three sessions**. **Credits will not be awarded for any less than 3 sessions.** This will also satisfy your family volunteer hours required of all OZ families. Officials with only a high school female/male swimmer (**non-active OZ member**) during session, are required to officiate at least two sessions.
- **3 Session Meets** – When OZ hosts a 3-session meet, OZ officials must officiate for **at least two sessions**. **Credits will not be awarded for any less than 2 sessions.** This will also satisfy your family volunteer hours required of all OZ families.
- **2 Session Meets** - When OZ hosts a 2-session meet, OZ officials must officiate for **both sessions**. **Credits will not be awarded for any less than 2 sessions.** This will also satisfy your family volunteer hours required of all OZ families.
- **1 Session Meet** - When OZ hosts a 1-session meet, OZ officials must officiate for **the session**. To receive the benefit of the official's credit, the full session must be worked.
- When OZ hosts a state meet, officials are encouraged, but not required to officiate. Credits will be awarded for hosting at OZ hosted state meets.

#### NON-OZ SPONSORED/HOSTED MEETS:

- Each Official is encouraged to officiate at least one session for non-OZ sponsored/hosted meets during a calendar year. This excludes Administrative Officials.
- We ask that OZ Officials help fulfill official requests when a plea is received from another team. (Reciprocating is critical in obtaining non-OZ officials to volunteer at OZ sponsored/hosted meets. This will also benefit you in providing some diversity in pools and learning how other teams operate their meets.)

Of course, going beyond the minimum is appreciated and will help OZ have smooth running meets and provide flexibility for all our Officials.

#### REIMBURSEMENT POLICY:

Officials are reimbursed by OZ for the following expenses:

##### **Ozaukee Aquatics-related:**

- USA Swimming annual Non-Athlete Membership
- Background check renewals (currently \$18 every other year)
- Stroke/Turn, Starter, Referee or Administrative Certification clinic fees
- Wisconsin Swimming Recertification Clinic Fees
- One Officials shirt

*Please email pdf copy of receipts to: Nancy Drabot at [oztreasurer@aol.com](mailto:oztreasurer@aol.com)*

##### **Wisconsin Swimming-related:**

- Initial background check (currently \$38)
- Name badge

*Please email pdf copy of receipts to: Wisconsin Swimming at [finance@wisconsinswimming.org](mailto:finance@wisconsinswimming.org)*

#### FAILURE TO COMPLY:

**It is a priority that OZ Officials commit to covering required shifts for our home meets. OZ recognizes extenuating circumstances may arise for work or urgent personal matters. However, failure to meet your obligation for officiating at home (OZ hosted/sponsored) meets will cause loss of credit(s) incentive for sessions worked at an away (non-OZ sponsored/hosted) meet for the subsequent session.**

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_