

High School Registration for Swim Officials 2019-20 Season

Good Day,

You are receiving this email because you have been a High School Swim Officials in the past or you are a Coach and can pass this information on to all who are interested in becoming a HS Swim Official.

Getting everything up on line has been a learning process, we are still working for a smooth procedure.

You basically need 3 things to become a certified high school official:

- Register this includes your background check
- Receive training
- Pass the test 85% (it's open book and you get 3 tries)

- **REGISTER – DO THIS TODAY IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY** (They have to mail you a rulebook).
 - Cost is \$60
 - Register at uhsaa.org . Under Officials, click on UHSAA Officials registration, click box next to 19-2020 Swimming and follow the prompts
 - If you are a **returning Official** and you have registered before, then sign in using the same information used before by clicking the (sign in) in the upper RH corner. This will bring up all your information and you will proceed from there to pay your fee and consent to a background check.
 - When you get to the **BACKGROUND Check** page YOU MUST do this, click **I AGREE** in the yellow box, then YOU MUST Scroll to the BOTTOM of the page and put **YES** in the yellow box again then click Next, if you do not do this your background check will not be done and will hold up your name from showing even if you do everything else to complete your certification

- **RECEIVE TRAINING**
 - There are two ways to receive training
 1. Attend the live clinic in Lehi Utah (Sat 10/26 7:00 -10:00 A.M.), OR
 2. Do online video clinic at your convenience (within the next week or so)
 - Plan on about 3 or so hours. (Depending on how much pausing you do.) You do not need to take it all in 1 sitting.
 - **LIVE CLINIC info**
 1. Location: Lehi Legacy Lehi, Utah 84043
 2. Saturday Oct 26th starting at 7:00 am - 10:00 am at the **Legacy Center Pool 123 N 123 N Center St. Lehi, Utah 84043.** 7:00 – 10:00 A.M.
 3. If you are planning to attend this live clinic please RSVP at **least five days prior** to Robyn Peterson at robynvpeterson@gmail.com
 4. Print out the handouts before you attend so you will have them to reference. Bring your book.
 5. FYI: This clinic will travel to a different place each year so everyone who wants to attend a live clinic may do so without traveling too far

○ **ONLINE CLINIC info**

1. You may access the training videos, the power point, handouts, and test on the website uhsaa.org. On the top of the page in blue, you will find "Sports & Activities" click on that. In the drop-down menu find "Swimming" and click on that. It will take you to the swimming page. Everything you need to certify is listed there, plus some additional information and paperwork to help you.

2. You need your rule book, they will mail it as soon as you register and Pay your \$60.00 (Presenters walk you through the rulebook during the online clinic video and it's nice to have and mark your own copy.) Here's the "parts" and briefly what you can expect. Links to all mentioned below are on the web page you get to in step 1 above.

- There are 7 videos, 1 PowerPoint and a handout file that are all part of the online "clinic."
- Videos: *Swim Officials Training Video – Presentation (YouTube-Part 1)* is the bulk of the clinic. It is 2 hours and 11 min. long. During it, they tell you to stop the video and play the various stroke videos. These videos are the other videos listed on the page. (*YouTube – Parts 3-8*)
 - The Training Video is prepared by the state high school officials association. The one shown is from 2 years ago. The rules have not changed much, but the rulebook has, so the page numbers they reference are off a bit. The section headings are the same and are usually within a page or two of the page reference they give.
 - The stroke videos (*YouTube – Parts 3-8*) are prepared by USA Swimming. There are some differences in officiating between USA Swimming and High School swimming. These differences are pointed out in the training video NOT in these stroke videos. **Be sure to note the differences!** They are also spelled out in the **Swimming Handouts 2019-2020**.
- The *Swim Officials 2019-20 Powerpoint – Presentation (Brainshark-Part2)* tells about the changes and points of emphasis specific to this season. It is prepared by the NFHS (the national governing body.) Not everything in it is specific to swimming, there are rules relating to diving you can skip through. Diving is not a High School Sport in Utah. After watching this power point, it will have you fill out a completion certificate. Make sure you choose **official and choose a school affiliation**.
- **Swim Officials 2019-20 Clinic Handout:** You may want to read this first to get an overview of what you'll be learning in the online clinic. Definitely read it through before taking the test. I like to keep a copy of this with my rulebook. I bring my rulebook to every meet.
- Read and know how to reference information in the rulebook (Again, just swimming. No need to read or reference the diving information from Pg. 70 - 101.)
- **TAKE AND PASS THE TEST(S)**
 - Testing will be available **October 1st 2019**. The test is listed on this swim page also and when clicked will take you to the Arbiter testing dashboard, there will be one test, 81 questions, Stroke, Turn, Starter, and Referee all together. I understand not all of you are ready to be a referee or starter, but the information there is important for you to know, and it is an open book test. You need an 85% to pass, with 3 opportunities.

An Officials Roster will be posted on the www.uhsaa.org Swim Page, as well as www.utsrimcoach.com. Please allow yourself enough time to get through the process and have your name show up as completed so it can be posted in a timely manner. Our first meets will begin **November 1st 2019**.

High School Officials Uniform* will still be a **Navy Polo style shirt, Khaki Pants, deck friendly shoes.

****** A requirement for **Referees** will be to report **ALL** officials who worked a meet that you are in charge of to uhsaameetassign@gmail.com. Gather the following information so that you may report on it after the meet – There is a “High School Swimming Official’s sign in & Referee Report Roster” on the uhsaa.org Swim page to use for this. There is also a “Final Meet Results Cover Sheet” for the Coaches and Officials to Sign to be turned in with the Score by the Host Coach.

1. Officials full name of each official who worked
2. Position worked
3. School affiliation
4. Date of the swim meet
5. Location of the meet
6. Host team
7. Teams in attendance

Report on the meet within **5 Days** of working it.

Keep a file of who worked the meets you were Referee for in case we need to look back on a meet.

It is the schools AD’s responsibility to enter the schools swim schedule into the Arbiter account. From there I can input who worked at each position and send it back to whomever is responsible for paying the officials for that meet. When that school has paid for the meet it will show up in your **Arbiter Pay** account so check there.

I hope this information helps you in getting certified. Also, here is the contact information for several others who can help you in your area with swimming questions.

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Wishing you a good experience being a swimming official and look forward to a Great Swimming season.

Thank you for your willingness to serve the swimming community.

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