



Southeastern Swimming Stroke and Turn Certification

APPRENTICE'S NAME/LSC/TEAM		
STROKE AND TURN JUDGE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS		
	USA Swimming Non-Athlete Official Member	These four must be completed prior to on-deck training
	Athlete Protection Training (APT) required annually	
	Background Check (BGC) required every two years	
	Concussion Protocol Training required once	
	Pass Foundations of Officiating Course (one time course)	
	Pass Stroke and Turn Certification and Assessment Course	
	Apprentice as a Stroke and Turn Judge for at least 4 training sessions at a minimum of 2 meets with a trainer. EXPERIENCED OPTION: Coach or Athlete members with 5+ years USA Swimming experience - Apprentice as a Stroke and Turn Judge for at least 2 training session with a trainer.	
	Certification must be complete within 1 year of the Stroke and Turn Course completion.	
	Return completed Apprentice Certification Form to your Area Representative	
STROKE AND TURN JUDGE RECERTIFICATION EVERY 3 YEARS		
	Be a current Official member of USA Swimming in good standing.	
	Work a minimum of 8 sessions, within a 3-year period, at a minimum of 2 different meets in Stroke and Turn or higher capacity.	
	Pass USA Swimming Certification Course and Assessment for the highest certification held.	
	Satisfactory performance.	
DEFINITIONS		
Certifier: An official designated by the LSC OC to certify training is complete (Area Representative)		
Certification: Stroke and Turn Judge able to officiate at all LSC meets.		
Clinic: Formal training in person or online training recorded in Officials Tracking System (OTS). For the purpose of certification, only the online certification and assessment course meets the clinic requirement.		
Satisfactory Performance: Able to demonstrate Performance Requirements. Deficiencies must be provided by LSC OC or designee in writing to the affected official with an Action Plan to success.		
Sessions: At USA Swimming sanctioned or approved meets, recorded in OTS.		
Trainer: Designated by the Referee at a meet or LSC OC, and official who has been USA Swimming certified in the position for 1+ year. If a 1+ year experienced official is not on deck, the Referee may select the most experienced certified official(s) to be a trainer(s).		
Training Sessions: Meet sessions that include stroke and/or relays. Sessions shall be recorded in OTS. (No Observed Meets, Time Trials, or and Freestyle only sessions)		
USA Swimming Member: Completed all USAS member associated requirements before on deck apprenticeship. (Non-athlete official membership)		
TRAINING MEET INFORMATION		
Session 1	Meet Name/Date	
	Signature of MR	
Session 2	Meet Name/Date	
	Signature of MR	
Session 3	Meet Name/Date	
	Signature of MR	
Session 4	Meet Name/Date	
	Signature of MR	

Sessions				Apprenticeship Performance Requirements for Certification		
1	2	3	4	Y = Yes	N = No	ND= Not Determined
				Arrives on time, prepared with necessary personal equipment, in proper and professional attire		
				Is respectful of other officials, coaches, meet volunteers, spectators, and athletes.		
				Understand and applies proper positioning on deck.		
				Understand and applies communicated jurisdictions and protocols.		
				Understand and applies the rules for the start, stroke, kick, and finish for butterfly.		
				Understand and applies the rules for the start, stroke, kick, and finish for backstroke.		
				Understand and applies the rules for the start, stroke, kick, and finish for breaststroke.		
				Understand and applies the rules for the start, stroke, kick, and finish for freestyle.		
				Understand and applies the rules for relays.		
				Understand and applies the rules for individual medley.		
				Is comfortable making calls as appropriate and also understand when a call is not appropriate.		
				Can correctly communicate a disqualification and what was observed using USA Swimming rulebook language.		
				Always gives swimmer benefit of the doubt.		
				Understands performance criteria as outline in Stroke & Turn Professional Document.		
				Understands USA Swimming Safe Sport and MAAPP rules.		
Trainer Information and Comments						
Session 1: Trainer Name/Email:						
Comments (Optional)						
Session 2: Trainer Name/Email:						
Comments (Optional)						
Session 3: Trainer Name/Email:						
Comments (Optional)						
Session 4: Trainer Name/Email:						
Comments (Optional)						