

NTA Official's Policy

The goals of the Official's Policy are to have sufficient number of USA Certified Officials officiating the New Trier Aquatics ("NTA or Club") hosted meets and to have NTA Officials serving as ambassadors for the Club by volunteering at other meets and serving as a resource to the NTA members and coaches at the away meets.

As an incentive, NTA will offer as a rebate 20% off of one of the highest seasonal fee paid by the official to the club, provided that (1) the Official maintains his/her certification at a given level and (2) works 50% of the NTA hosted sessions; such a person shall be considered an "Qualified Official." If an individual does not meet both conditions, then he/she shall not earn the 20% discount.

Recognizing that Officials may have legitimate reasons why he/she cannot officiate for 50% of the NTA hosted meets, 5% discounts can be earned for each of the following activities:

- 5% for each level of active certification beyond the first Official position of stroke/turn or AO;
- 5% for each active national certification at whatever level for whichever position; or
- 5% for every 10 sessions worked.

The minimum 50% of hosted meets and the minimum sessions required to maintain the certification shall not count toward the additional 10 sessions unless the Official was unqualified to receive the initial 20% discount.

The maximum discount is 50% (for one of the highest seasonal fees paid by the individual) and is conditioned on the NTA budget.

New officials shall be deemed Qualified Official and receive the 20% discount for the season in which they became certified, and thereafter all Officials' level of discount shall be determined by official activities of the most recent calendar year. These incentives will be granted at the end of a given swimming season. All Certified Officials should submit his/her activities as recorded in OTS to the NTA VP of Officials in order to receive the discount.

Direct fees associated with the maintenance an Official's certification (such as registration fees and fees for background checks) will be reimbursed by the Club by submitting receipts to the VP of Officials. Indirect costs such as travel or hotel will not be reimbursed.

At meets hosted by other clubs, Certified Officials represent the NTA. If actions of a Certified Official reflect negatively on the NTA, then the Club may ask the Certified Official to resign as an Official and/or terminate his/her affiliation with the Club.