## Safety Marshals

Thank you for volunteering to act as a safety marshall! This is a position that only exists at team hosted meets. Most of the time, it's a pretty low-key job with a great view of the pool, but sometimes you do have to ask for meet participants to stay in line for their own safety. At meets, we must have a male and female safety marshal so that we can ensure safe locker room environments in conjunction with USA Swimming policy and procedure. Ideally, we'd like to have multiple shifts per session, but sometimes you will be asked to volunteer for an entire session.

## USA Swimming Rulebook Definition:

102.18 Safety Marshals – shall wear identifying attire and enforce warm-up procedures and maintain order in the swimming venue. The marshal shall have full authority to warn or order to cease and desist, and, with the concurrence of the Referee, to remove, or removed from the swimming venue anyone behaving in an unsafe manner or using profane or abusive language, or whose actions are disrupting the orderly conduct of the meet.

## What does that mean??

## Responsibilities:

Arrive fifteen (15) minutes prior to the beginning of warmups & check in with the meet director or referee to get any last concerns at the facility.

Wear an incredibly stylish neon vest (provided) so that you can be easily identified.

Make sure swimmers don't dive into the warmup area unless supervised by a coach – entering feet first from the starting end only.

Quick regular patrols of the locker rooms to ensure no cell-phone usage

Notify coaches/referees of any swimmer or parent behaving inappropriately.

Assist Meet Referee as needed to ensure a safe environment – like sprint lanes etc.

Check in with Meet Referee prior to leaving.