



## On The Same Page – the E-Newsletter of the USA Swimming Officials Committee

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### A Visit to Shanghai

At the recent FINA Short Course World Championships in Shanghai, Mary Jo Swalley represented USA Swimming as one of the deck officials. [Click here](#) to read her article about the meet and her visit to the most populous country in the world.

### Maxwell Award

Congratulations to Dee Hollar of South Texas Swimming and Lynette Chew of Hawaii Swimming as the newest recipients of the Maxwell Excellence Award. Each of these deserving officials has more than 25 years of volunteer service to their respective LSC's both on and off the deck. To read more about the Maxwell Award, [click here](#).

### Officials Tests

The 2006 USA Swimming rule book is effective May 15, 2006 and the on-line officials' tests have been updated to include any changes made in the new rule book. To access the on-line tests, [click here](#) for the Officials Online Test on the website.

### Situations & Resolutions

Just as the officials tests have been updated, the training situations and resolutions have been updated to reflect the rule changes implemented in the new rule book. To see the entire set of situations, [click here](#).

### YMCA Adopts USA Swimming Technical Rules

The Competitive Swimming & Diving Advisory Committee of the YMCA of the USA has adopted the USA Swimming technical rules effective September 1, 2006. Previously, YMCA meets were run using the NCAA rulebook. To read more about this topic, [click here](#) to go to the YMCA Competitive Swimming & Diving site (<http://www.ymcaswimminganddiving.org>).

### 2006 Convention - Proposed Legislation

The packet of information that will be presented to the USA Swimming House of Delegates for consideration is now available on the web site. [Click here](#) for the Convention page.

### National Officials Certification

There have been some updates to the certification program which are reflected on the website. [Click here](#) to go to the certification page and select the [July '06 Changes](#) link for a summary of the changes. We have also updated the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document and added an "[Advancement Summary](#)" which outlines what is needed to advance from one level to the next in each position.

**Please note** that completing all of the requirements and filling out and submitting applications for National Certification or Re-certification are now the responsibility of each official. They are no longer collected at meets and submitted on behalf of the applicants.

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