# **GUIDELINES FOR SECTIONAL MEET REFEREE**

# **❖ MEET INFORMATION BOOK (be involved)**

- Order of events
- > Entry procedures
- > Time lines
- Scratch procedures
- Check-in procedures
- > Exhibition swims (allowed or not?)
- > Time Trials (allowed or not?)
- Contacts
- Pool Location and facility description
- Qualifying times
- > Relays

# ❖ ARRIVAL/PRE-SESSION

- > Meet the key people
- > Facility
  - Starting equipment
  - Water temperature
  - Timing Equipment
  - Lane Lines
  - Touch Pads
  - Clerk of Course
  - Backstroke flags
  - Computer
  - 15-meter marks
  - Lap counters
  - Starting blocks
  - Bells/gun
  - Obstructions
  - Watches
- > Forms
  - DQ slips
  - Relay take-off slips
  - DQ register
  - Count/split sheets
  - No show register
  - Timing adjustment worksheet
  - Intent to scratch register

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- Coaches Meeting
  - Introduce key officials
  - Explain the conduct of the meet
  - Deadlines
  - Check-in
  - Results
  - Facility
  - Technical rules
  - Introduce juries
  - Note other events (socials, etc.)
- Officials Briefing
  - Meet overview
  - Assignments
  - Jurisdictions
  - Questions
  - Review Rules

#### **❖ DURING THE MEET**

- Meet Referee
  - Provide overall support and guidance for Admin. Ref Deck Ref, Meet Management, etc.
  - "Walk the Deck"
  - Walk the deck before the meet starts and during the meet
  - Talk to the coaches and swimmers
  - Know the coaches
  - Sense where there are problems
  - Ask opinions.
  - Build respect and team.
  - "Tend to your business"
  - Delegate
  - Do not insert yourself into areas where you are not needed
  - Ask for others opinion
  - Not a sign of-weakness or lack of knowledge
  - Be selective but your sources an be other officials, meet directors and coaches
  - Builds team.
  - Builds others confidence.

### **❖ AFTER THE MEET**

- > Thank everyone
- Complete meet summary report
- > Obtain a full set of results (including swim-offs and time trials (if you have them)
- > Get copies of all Reports of Occurrence

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