

Referee: At a Glance

Check Equipment:

- Check Sound Equipment.
- Position yourself for a clear view.

Conduct Briefings:

- Timer' Briefings: 10 minutes before start.
- Official's Briefing: 20 minutes before start.

Officials Jurisdiction:

- Position for Officials: same team officials should be diagonal from one another.
- Let officials know what lanes to observe and half the pool length.
- Officials must understand: No 15-meter mark can be called unless the swimmer is underwater and has passed the flags on the turn end or opposite end of the pool.

Relay Take-Off:

- Collect all slips regardless of DQ's.
- Referees cannot call any relay events.

Referee called DOs:

- It's a False Start, only if it is pronounced.
- Referee's Call: Raise your hand and fill out DQ slips.

At The Start:

- *First:* Announce heat and event.
- *Second:* Whistle: to get swimmers onto the blocks.
- *Third:* Announce clearly and distinctly: "Take Your Mark."
- Wait until swimmers have a stationary position (Not recommended for eight and under).
- Only, if necessary, stand the Swimmers and say: "Stand Please."
- After a "Stand Please", or any other interruption say: "Swimmers (pause)-Take Your Mark."
- If possible, avoid taking swimmers off the block.

Other Commands:

- If a recall occurs, try to rotate events and swim the recalled event later.
- Always say: "Please."

Patience, Patience, Patience.

Remember: This is Summer League Swimming!

The Benefit Always Goes to the Swimmer.