Virginia Swimming, Inc. Stroke and Turn Apprenticeship Record

Name				Comments					
Address				Meet type should be designated as B/C, BB/B/C, A+Senior, etc. Back page must also be completed.					
Phone number (H	lome)								
(Work)				Walk #1, Intro to stroke rules: Check all that apply					
E-mail Address				☐ Classroom instruction ☐ Online instruction					
USA Swimming Team Affiliation				☐ Deck instruction – Requires prior arrangement with the District Chair					
Clinic Attendance	Date								
Issued by				Walk #2, Meet Type =					
(Dist	rict Chair's	Signature)							
Walks 2-4 are ma and developing th	ne skills liste	ed on the reve	erse page. No						
more than one se Meet			Referee	Walk #3, Meet Type =					
Walk 1									
Walk 2				Walk #4, Meet Type =					
Walk 3 Walk 4				Walk #4, Meet Type =					
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Walk				Walk #5, Meet Type =					
The first 4 must be co demonstrated before walks."	ompleted with	n mastery of eac	h skill						
Prior to the final was completed the S& be registered with uniform and make	T test, AP USA Swin	Γ, background	d check and	Walk #6, Meet Type =					
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Walk	_	_		Walk #7, Meet Type =					
Walk		_							
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A minimum of 3 walk walks and the third w for the Referee to red	alk must be s	satisfactorily cor		Walk #8, Meet Type =					
I certify that I have found them qualif Official.									

(Validating Referee Signature)

Please make a copy for your records and then turn this card into your District Officials Chair as soon as you have completed your training.

Date _

Skill		Deck Walks							
	Clinic	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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Clinic – Overview of a USA Swim Official									
FINA, USA Swimming, VSI/LSC's, Meet invites									
Registration & credentials- Applicable websites, OTS, BI, Athlete protection Process of becoming a certified USA swim official & retaining certification									
Basic review all officials on deck and their responsibilities ("dry deck" & "wet deck")									
Uniform for officials									
Importance of the pre-session briefing									
Walk 1 – Initial overview of stroke rules for individual and relay events									
Walk 2- 4 – On deck instruction, jurisdiction, stroke rules, disqualifications									
Jurisdiction									
Positioning at both ends of the pool for equitable judging									
Positioning on the sides and how to provide equitable judging particularly in an									
unfavorable situation (i.e. swimmers spread out, coaches in path, open lanes,									1
excessive glare on the pool)									<u> </u>
Equitable coverage on all lanes and the importance of observing empty lanes									—
Rotation, relief judges, reserve judges									-
Stroke Rules- Individual Events Freestyle									
Backstroke									-
Breaststroke									
Butterfly									
Individual Medley									
Stroke Rules - Relay Events									
Freestyle Relay									
Medley Relay									
Relay Take-offs									
1 = Rules initially reviewed by trainer in depth									
2 = Apprentice demonstrates minimal understanding of the rules									1
3 = Apprentice demonstrates an understanding of many, but not all aspects of the rules;									1
apprentice can verbalize many, but not all aspects of the rules									1
4 = Apprentice demonstrates a complete understanding of the rules; apprentice can verbalize and/or reference all aspects of the rules									1
A "4" is required for each skill before "final" walks may be done									
Disqualifications									
Benefit of the doubt goes to the swimmer									
Answering three standard questions with Chief Judge and/or Deck Referee									
Fill out the DQ slip									
Overturned calls									
1 = Initially reviewed by trainer in depth									
2 = Apprentice demonstrates poor or little understanding of the concept									1
3 = Apprentice grasps some but not all aspects of the concept									1
4 = Apprentice demonstrates mastery of the concept									1
A "4" is required for each skill before "final" walks may be done Shaded boxes or those marked with a 4 are not required to be discussed unless the									
apprentice wishes to review.									1
apprentice wishes to review.									
Final Walks (3 is standard, however the trainee can ask for more sessions before									
becoming a certified official)									1
On-time and attentive at stroke briefing									
Properly attired in correct uniform									
Correct positioning on deck									
Rotates as appropriate and returns from breaks on-time									
Understands jurisdictions									
Observes swimmers throughout the time they are within the apprentice's jurisdiction									
Gives equal coverage to all swimmers within jurisdiction									<u> </u>
Demonstrates a complete (or nearly complete) understanding of the rules									<u> </u>
Makes calls as appropriate (some calls might be missed when, for example, four									1
swimmers simultaneously come to the turn of backstroke and the apprentice observes left to right and the trainer observes right to left, but otherwise the apprentice sees and									1
calls what can readily be observed)									ł
Does not make inappropriate calls									
Raises hand when making calls and does so in a decisive manner									
Clearly and concisely provides answers to the standard three questions									
Fills out the DQ slip correctly									
1 = Apprentice grasps some but not all aspects of the concept									
2 = Apprentice demonstrates mastery of the concept									ł
A "2" is required for each skill in order for the session to be satisfactorily completed.									ł
At least one of the first two walks and the third walk must be satisfactorily completed									ł
in order for the Referee to recommend certification						I	ĺ	1 J	ı