

Steps to Becoming a USA Swim Official

New Training Requirements

(Adopted February 2024 from USA Swimming)

2024 Updated USA Swimming Officials Training Requirements [here](#)

1. Notify Megan Walsh at officials@fortcollinsareaswimteam.org that you would like to become a FAST Swim Official
2. Create USA Swimming Non-Athlete Membership using this unique link (FAST will reimburse these fees - Megan can send you a reimbursement form):
<https://omr.usaswimming.org/omr/welcome/CCA1E651A22946>
3. [USA Swimming University](#) Courses for Certification
 - a. Complete Athlete Protection Training (NOT the refresher course)
 - b. Complete the Background Check (FAST will reimburse these fees)
 - c. Complete Concussion Protocol Training
 - d. Complete Foundations of Officiating Course
 - e. Complete applicable Certification Course (Stroke & Turn, Administrative Official, etc)
 - f. Pass USA Swimming Stroke & Turn certification test with a score of 80% or higher
4. Notify FAST Officials Coordinator (Megan Walsh) that you have completed the online courses and intend to begin your on deck training. Please arrive at a meet one hour prior to the session starting and [log](#) sessions worked. Freestyle only sessions will not count toward stroke & turn training sessions.
5. Turn in completed training [log](#) to Zone 1 (Jason Slavik - officialsrep1@swimcolorado.org) within 2 weeks of completing on deck training.

Completion of your initial Stroke & Turn certification counts towards your family volunteer credit. Sessions worked beyond the completion of your certification go to complete your family volunteer credit, if needed, and then to additional bonus opportunities.

*Please ensure you have met all requirements before proceeding with advanced certifications (stroke & turn to starter, etc).