

Officials Committee Report to the PVS House of Delegates

May 2025

The Officials' Committee is authorized and obligated to recruit, train, test, certify, evaluate, retest, recertify, and supervise officials for PVS.

Number of Certified PVS Officials (as of April-May 1 each year)

2019	529
2020	505
2021	386
2022	394
2023	452
2024	515
2025	566 (all in good standing) plus 14 with either APT or BGC expired

There are currently 102 officials who are registered as officials but have not yet completed certification requirements.

Training, Testing and Clinics 2024-2025

With the implementation of standardized certification requirements, certifying/recertifying clinics and testing is primarily done by USA Swimming. Effective 4/1/24, Stroke and Turn clinic/testing became USA Swimming-based. Effective 10/1/24, Starter and Administrative Official clinic/testing became USA Swimming-based. Effective 4/1/25, Referee clinic/testing became USA Swimming-based. PVS continues to offer Chief Judge clinics and any supplementary (but not required) clinics.

As of 2/1/24, certification for Computer Operator and Timing System Operator ceased to exist. These positions no longer require membership in USA Swimming. PVS has maintained our web-based programs as voluntary training programs and hope that there will be continued interest in becoming proficient at

these skills. In addition, separate meet referee certification no longer exists. All certified referees may act as meet referees.

Since 2/1/24, we have had 7 officials complete training and evaluation for Timing System Operator and 3 officials complete training and evaluation for Computer Operator. Note that a club may request a \$200 reduction in the fine for each volunteer who is not a certified official but who has completed the computer operator training program or the electronic timing system training program (including evaluation) during the year OR who has worked as a CO or TO at least 3 sessions per year.

Clinics since 5/1/24

Clinics	# of clinics	PVS Initial	PVS Recerts	Non-PVS Initial	Non-PVS Recerts
Stroke & Turn	0				
Starter	1	20	9	1	0
Chief Judge	4	50	9	18	10
Referee	2	44 total		24 total	
Admin Official	1	25 total		6 total	
Open Water	1 2-part clinic	unknown			

New officials since 9/1/24 per position (as of May 5, 2025)

Stroke and Turn Judges	111
Starters	28
Chief Judges	26
Referee	12
Administrative officials	14
Open Water Judges	8
Open Water Referees	4

First-time PVS Certified officials

April 2024-March 2025	116
April 2023-March 2024	118
April 2022-March 2023	110
April 2021-March 2022	65

Officials Qualifying Meets

PVS Meet	Meet Referee	Evaluators	Evaluations
2024 LC Open Champs	Ellen Colket	Trish Martin (NC) Ellen Colket Tom Allison Mike Baird	13
2024 NCAP Invitational	Bob Vincent	Lisa Olack (NC) Dave Olack (NC) Bob Vincent Dave Dinardo Rich McMillen	28
2025 SC Open Champs	Courtney Johnston	Jack Neill Blair Cameron Jessica Moore Paul Jampole	19
2025 SC 14&U Champs	Chris Oliver	Sarah Bollman (Conn) Tom Oliver Barb Ship	19

Officials Education Travel Stipend

PVS offers an Officials Education Travel Stipend for officials who officiate at Zone or National meets. As of May 5, 2025, PVS has provided 45 stipends for 35 officials (at 9 meets) of \$20,074.87. This compares to last year at this time: 21 officials, \$15,068.80.