



## **SWIMMING OFFICIALS GROUP**

### **TECHNICAL OFFICIALS PARADE PROTOCOL – PONDS FORGE, SHEFFIELD- 50m**

#### PARADE ON

- When marching on to poolside do not carry anything other than agreed items, e.g. clipboard, water bottle etc. Bags - either hand or sports, should be deposited elsewhere and not carried during the Officials Parade.
- Officials should gather in Parade order in the Vanity Area 15 minutes before the session start time.
- The Parade is enhanced when Officials on both sides of the pool arrive at their stations at the same time. In order to achieve this Inspectors of Turn on the centre lanes (Lanes 4 and 5) at the Turn end of the pool should emerge from the curtain at the Start end at the same time. They should track each other along the poolside to the boom, stepping onto the boom at the same time and arriving at their lanes together.
- Corresponding roles, Chief Inspector of Turns, Judges of Stroke, Finish Judges on either side, and Inspectors of Turns/Timekeepers at the Finish end of the pool should similarly track each other.
- If two seats are at the end of the lane Inspectors of Turns/Timekeepers should occupy the left hand seat, when facing the pool.
- When you arrive at your station stand in front of your chair facing down the pool – please do not wipe or shuffle the chair, or place your clipboard down etc, but wait for the Announcer to invite Officials to be seated.
- Referees and Starters please step forward and acknowledge the spectator galleries when individually introduced.

#### PARADE OFF

- When the Session is complete, the Announcer will invite the Officials to leave the Deck. On that announcement all Officials should stand, those on the sides of the pool face the pool, Inspectors of Turn at the ends of the pool turn left or right to face the way they will march off (opposite direction as the march on i.e. splitting at the centre lanes).

- When the music starts, the Insp. of Turns on the end lanes at the Turn End of the pool will lead off the Parade followed by the remaining Insp. of Turn who should quickly close up on the parade member in front of them. The Parade leaders should track each other down the poolside.
- As the parade passes, all other Officials should join onto the end of the line.
- Insp. of Turn at the start end, having stood and turned on the announcement should wait, until the front of the parade passes 15m from the start end. At that point, they should close up from the centre ready to join the parade as it passes the end of the pool. This may vary dependant upon where the Officials have been seated for event presentations. The principle of stand, turn and wait should however be followed ready to join the parade.

The parade is not intended to be a military operation. That said, the appearance is so much improved if we are in one line, in step, and all carrying programme or clipboard and water bottle in the same hand and manner i.e. left hand.

## PARADE ORDER

Parade order in two columns facing the pool from the Starting end of the pool

LEFT (Aztec side)		RIGHT (Omega side)
Insp. of Turn - Lane 5	Turn End	Insp. of Turn - Lane 4
Insp. of Turn - Lane 6		Insp. of Turn - Lane 3
Insp. of Turn - Lane 7		Insp. of Turn - Lane 2
Insp. of Turn - Lane 8		Insp. of Turn - Lane 1
Insp. of Turn - Lane 9		Insp. of Turn - Lane 0
Chief Inspector of Turn Reserve Officials(s)		
Stroke Judge -15m Stroke Judge -5m		Stroke Judge -15m Stroke Judge -5m
Chief Inspector of Turn Reserve Officials(s)		Referees Starters
Insp. of Turn - Lane 5	Start End	Insp. of Turn - Lane 4
Insp. of Turn - Lane 6		Insp. of Turn - Lane 3
Insp. of Turn - Lane 7		Insp. of Turn - Lane 2
Insp. of Turn - Lane 8		Insp. of Turn - Lane 1
Insp. of Turn - Lane 9		Insp. of Turn - Lane 0
Finish Judge		Finish Judge