



Meet Volunteering

Why Volunteer?

1. You get to wear your super cool - FREE - volunteer shirt.
2. You'll have the best seat in the house. Being on deck is way better than being in the stands!
3. You'll meet new people. Volunteering is a great way to meet new families and spend time with friends.
4. WE NEED YOU! It takes hundreds of volunteer hours to host our meets each season.

Volunteer Commitment

Per the Volunteer Policy you acknowledged during registration, each family is required to complete one shift per swimmer, with a maximum of two shifts per family if they have a swimmer participating in the Fall/Winter or Winter season. **Full credit for a volunteer shift will be given only if the entire shift is fulfilled.** Shifts are typically 4-6 hours in length. Each unfulfilled volunteer shift will incur a \$225 fee at the end of the season.

Meet Volunteer Positions

Below are examples of our volunteer needs for hosted meets. Please note that times are approximate. The job signup will have actual needs and times listed.

Pre-Meet Meet Setup/Float – Helps with setting up tables and chairs, posting signage, etc. Reports to the Meet Director to see where additional help may be needed.
Experience – None

Time – Prior to event/through a portion of the session

Meet Runner – Assist meet officials throughout meet (carry DQ slips from officials to computer operator), post event results in designated area, assist Safety Marshal if needed.

Experience - None required

Time – 1 session on deck – starts at beginning of session



Announcer - Announces all information pertinent to meet including: • Swimmers names • Events • Scores • General announcements

Experience – None

Time - 30 min prior to warm-ups and throughout session.

Officials - Positions (referee/starter/stroke & turn) must be certified under USA Swimming. Training class plus 6 sessions of apprenticeship required for certification.

Information at www.usaswimming.org

Experience - USA Swimming Certification or Apprentice standing – we are happy to help you get certified!

Awards – Hand out awards at the Awards table to swimmers based on various criteria.

Experience - None required

Time - Start to about 15 minutes after the finish of session

Head Timer – Runs 2 stopwatches for every heat to hand to timers if their watches fail.

Coordinates the timers to help carefully put away timing equipment.

Experience - Timing experience preferred but not required

Time - Must attend Timers mtg 15-20 min before start of session. On deck length of meet

Timer - Operates stop watch & timing system plungers and Records times.

Experience - None required

Time - Must attend Timers mtg 15-20 min before start of session. On deck length of meet

Order of Finish – Sit poolside and record swimmers' order of finish for each race (example: Lanes 4,6,7,3,8,1,2,5 finished in that order). Works in pairs. Experience - None required but good eyesight is helpful!

Time - 15 min prior to meet start through end of session

Volunteer Check-In/Float - Checks-in volunteers and provides direction to where they need to report. Once all volunteers have arrived, report to the Meet Director to see where additional help may be needed.

Experience - None required

Time - 15 min prior to Warm-ups through end of session



Credentials Check/Float - Check Deck Pass for current USA Swimming credentials of coaches and officials. Once all have arrived, see Meet Director for other areas that may need assistance

Experience - None required

Time - 15 minutes prior to warmups through end of session

Hospitality - Helps with delivery, organization, and set up of snacks, beverages, and meals for coaches and officials. Distributes drinks and snacks to volunteers, coaches and officials on deck.

Experience - None required

Time - 30 min prior to Warm-ups through end of session.

Meet Marshal - Enforces warm-up procedures in the pool & maintains order in the venue. Ensures only swimmers, coaches, officials and meet volunteers are allowed on deck per USA Swimming regulations. Ensures that swimmers are behaving in a safe manner. Located on deck throughout the meet.

Experience - None required

Time - 15 minutes prior to the start of warm-ups through end of session

Camera Operator - Operate the streaming camera

Experience - None required; will be trained

Time - 15 minutes prior to meet start through end of session

I'm ready! How do I sign up?

1. Log into the Hurricanes website
2. Find the meet at which you plan to volunteer
3. Click "Job Signup" button
4. Select desired session and volunteer position