# **Fact Sheet Technical Officials Online Courses**



#### Online officiating modules make it easier for you to get accredited and work on pool deck

There are now 8 modules

- General Principles of Officiating
- Technical Officials Introduction Course
- Check Starter
- Clerk of Course
- Timekeeper / Chief Timekeeper
- Judge of Stroke
- Inspector of Turns
- Starter

Each module has been designed do in your own time and at your own pace. They are accessible through your mobile phone or tablet, so it's easy for you to learn on the go.

#### The online modules are located on two different platforms:

Timekeeper & Chief Timekeeper, JOS, IOT & Starter (<u>Swimming NSW</u>)
General Principles, Introduction Course, Check Starter & Clerk of Course (<u>Swimming Australia</u>).

#### **How To Get Started - Your First Steps:**

- Head to <a href="https://learning.swimming.org.au/auth/login/">https://learning.swimming.org.au/auth/login/</a>
- If you've already got an account with us then log in, or register for a new one if you're new.
- Use **Browse Learning** to search for the modules.
- Complete the **General Principles of Officiating** course and **email your certificate** through to Swimming Victoria (<a href="mailto:sharon.rich@vic.swimming.org.au">sharon.rich@vic.swimming.org.au</a>)
- Complete the **Technical Officials Introduction Module** This'll give you an introduction to our national officiating accreditation program and tell you everything you need to know.

#### You can now progress through the NOAP modules at your own pace:

#### How to get started - Timekeeper/Chief Timekeeper Judge of Stroke, Inspector of Turns:

- Head to https://nswtraining.swimming.org.au/
- Create a username and password
- Login and start learning

#### How to get started - Clerk of Course, Check Starter & Starter

- Head to https://learning.swimming.org.au/auth/login/
- · Login and start learning

#### Things to remember

These online modules give you the theory part of the course only. Once you have completed the online course and understand the theory, you will need to practice on pool deck in the particular position. Practice takes time, do not expect to be assessed immediately. Once you have been on pool deck at a number of events and feel that you understand all aspects to the position - you will need to be practically assessed. You can organise this by getting in touch with an Assessor/District Referee or Swimming Victoria

You will only get full accreditation once you have successfully the theory element and passed the practical assessment.

#### FAQ

### If the General Principles Course the same as the Technical Officials Introductory Course?

No. They are two different courses and both are required before any of the NOAP modules are undertaken.

#### Do I need to do a practical assessment?

Yes. The online modules only give you the theory.

Once you've finished the module and feel confident on pool deck, please get in touch with your District Referee/SV Assessor or Presenter or the Swimming Victoria Office to organise your practical assessment. You'll need to bring your Certificate of Completion from the online module to your practical assessment to prove you've done it.

#### How are these online modules different from the current learner guides?

Online modules offer you another way to learn how to become a Technical Official. All of the information is exactly the same as what's in the current NOAP learner guides, they have just been provided online.

#### How much are the modules?

They're free!

#### How long will it take me to do the online modules?

The modules are designed to be done at your own pace.

It is really important that you fully understand the content, included are self-check questions along the way to make sure you've understood what you're reading. Each module ends in a small quiz.

So, it will be different from person-to-person, but it shouldn't take you longer than two hours.

## Why is there a different website for the Timekeeper/Chief Timekeeper, Judge of Stroke, Inspector of Turns & Starter module?

Swimming New South Wales have kindly opened these modules nationally and at present, Swimming Australia have not been able to transfer these to their learning portal. This is definitely something they are working towards!

#### **General Principles, Check Starter & Clerk of Course Modules**

#### Why do I need to do the General Principles Introductory course first?

Swimming Australia want you to understand how our National Officiating Accreditation program works. It's super helpful, so you'll need to complete this course before you can move on.

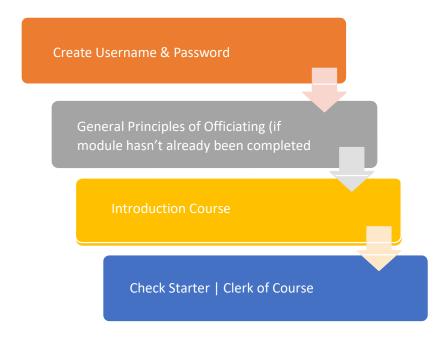
#### Can I fail these modules?

No. It's really important that you fully understand the content, so we have included self-check questions along the way to make sure you have understood what you are reading.

If you don't pass the quiz at the end of the module first time, then you can take it as many times as you need to.

#### **Process**

# General Principles of Officiating, Introductory Course, Check Starter & Clerk of Course



### Timekeeper/Chief Timekeeper, Judge of Stroke, Inspector of Turns & Starter Modules

Why are these modules under Swimming NSW training website and will I still be accredited under the National Officiating Accreditation Program (NOAP)?

Swimming New South Wales have kindly opened these modules nationally and at present, we have not been able to transfer this to our learning portal. When you have passed one of these modules, your state or territory swimming association will be notified and you will earn Swimming Australia certified Officials accreditation.

Don't forget to read through the information on the Swimming NSW Training website!

