

# COACH POOL DECK ACCESS POLICY

Adopted or Amended	By Whom	Date				
Adopted	Board of Directors	6th December 2022				



# Introduction:

Swimming New South Wales Ltd along with Swim Coaches Teachers Australia New South Wales Branch (SCTA NSW) continue to work closely to ensure our Pool Decks are safe environments for all participants at swim meets.

We recognise that, from time to time, various people have the need to access the Pool Deck during swim meets. By necessity access to this area is restricted and only persons authorised by Swimming New South Wales are permitted access.

This access privilege may be revoked at any time by the Board, its authorised representatives, or the Technical Manager. Coaches are to treat all officials, volunteers and staff with the utmost respect.

# Coaches wishing to Gain Access to any Swimming NSW conducted Meet.

The pool deck is restricted to Coaches who have

- a) Current Valid Membership of SCTA
- b) Completed the Swimming NSW Meet Registration Form
- c) Current valid Working with Children Check (It is recommended that your Working with Children Check is downloaded into the Service NSW app)

Coaches who are authorised have access from the start of the publicised warm up time, or if no warm up time is publicised, one hour prior to the advertised start time of the swim meet until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the last event of each day of the swim meet.

Coaches must wear and display at all times appropriate accreditation or the like (as supplied by SNSW). This identification may be specifically issued or of a nominated style, i.e. SCTA membership card displayed in a plastic clip on pouch or worn on a lanyard or wristband supplied by SNSW. Failure to display appropriate accreditation or identification will result in immediate loss of access to the field of play and removal there from unless rectified immediately. Providing an unauthorised person with the use of a persons authorised accreditation or identification will result in the immediate loss of access to and the removal of all persons concerned from the venue. Swimming NSW staff shall keep a record of all registered Coaches who are granted access to the Pool Deck.

As every pool is designed differently, The Field of Play will determine by the meet organisers and will be controlled by the Meet Director. Coaches are always to ensure that the Technical Officials have the potential to conduct the meet effectively.

For Meets held at SOPAC, please refer to Appendix A

#### **Coach Selection:**

Coaches wishing to be selected onto a Swimming NSW Squad or Team will be required to have

a) Current Valid Membership of SCTA



#### What SCTA Membership Provides

Swimming New South Wales Ltd and the Swim Coaches Teachers Australia New South Wales Branch (SCTA NSW) worked very closely to ensure Coaches in NSW are given access to develop their coaching through Professional Development Opportunity. Together Swimming NSW and SCTA conduct Camps, Training days, Conferences, and online Learning opportunities for its members.





# Appendix A

# Areas of Access on Pool Deck at SOPAC:

- i) The Areas surrounding the Utility (Warm up) Pool
- ii) Seating in the Grandstand and Tables on the Western Side of the Competition Pool
- iii) Coaches will have access to the Eastern Side of the Competition Pool when Grandstand Seating has been provided
- iv) Coaches may go to the Eastern side of the Competition Pool when wishing to talk to the Technical Manager, Referee or Recording Room.
- v) If Coaches wish to speak to a SNSW Staff member or the Recording officials once the meet has commenced, please enter through the Corridor at back of the room.
- vi) Coaches Bathrooms can be accessed in the Coaches room on the Western side of the Pool or the bathrooms on the Eastern side in the Lane 4 corridor. To access the Eastern side bathrooms please do not walk in front of the Windows used by the Technical Officials. Coaches are not permitted into the Western side changerooms used by the athletes.
- vii) Coaches Room, where Tea, Coffee & program information is available.
- viii) Coaches wishing to communicate with athletes behind the blocks must do so from behind the fence separating the Utility and Competition Pool.

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