

POOL DECK ACCESS POLICY FOR SNSW CONDUCTED MEETS

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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.

All coaches wishing to gain access to the pool deck at any Swimming NSW conducted meet MUST have the following:

- a) **Completed the online Swimming NSW Coaches Registration Form via Swim Central.**
- b) A **current** and **valid** Working with Children Check* (It is recommended that your Working with Children Check is downloaded into the Service NSW app).
- c) Current SCTA Membership.

* Current valid Working with Children Check or equivalent depending on the State

Please note: Once registered the details provided will be checked by SCTA, Swimming Australia and Swimming NSW prior to the commencement of the meet.

Any breach of this Policy will potentially lead to the coach being removed from the Pool Deck.

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.

Please note the following:

1. Coaches must always wear and display appropriate accreditation as supplied by SNSW displayed in a plastic lanyard and visible at all times.
2. Failure to display appropriate accreditation or identification will result in immediate loss of access to Pool Deck and removal unless rectified immediately. Providing an unauthorised person with the use of a person's authorised accreditation or identification will result in the immediate loss of access to and the removal of all persons concerned from the venue.
3. 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 be determined by the Meet organisers and will be controlled by the Meet Director. Coaches are always to ensure that the Technical Officials have the ability to conduct the meet effectively.

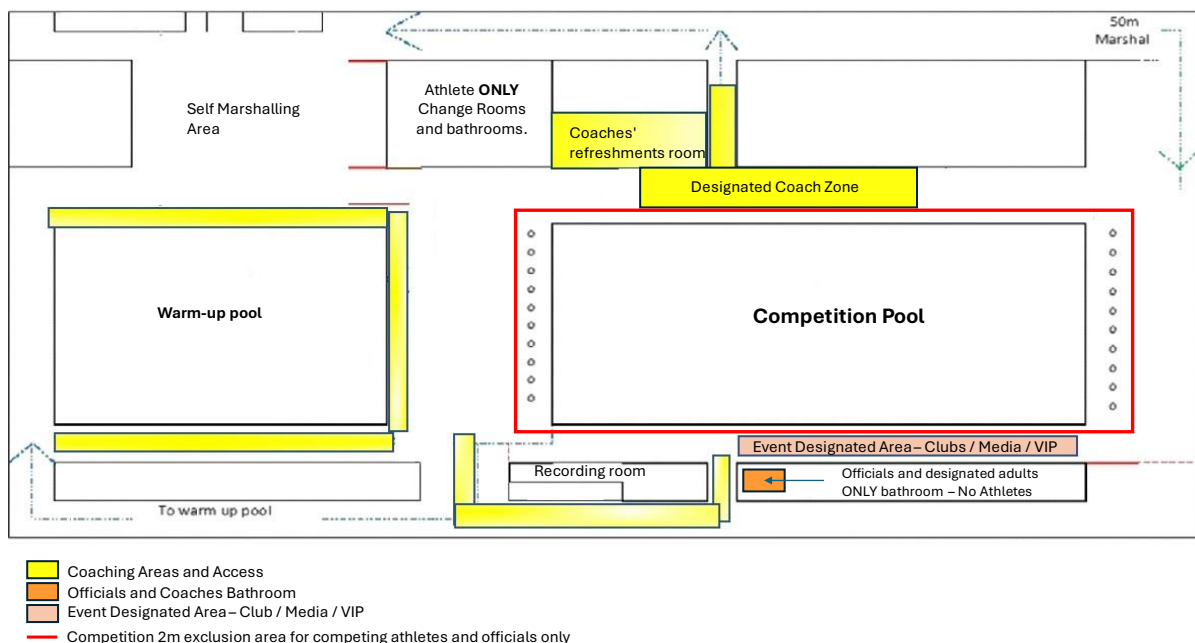
For Meets held at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre (SOPAC), please refer to **Appendix A**.

Appendix A

Areas of Access on Pool Deck at SOPAC:

- i) The Areas surrounding the Utility (Warm up) Pool.
- ii) Coaches have access to a designated coach zone on the Western side of the Competition Pool. This zone is a shared zone and should be treated as such at all times.
- iii) When event set up allows, Coaches and Swimmers will have access to a designated area on the Eastern side of the competition pool.
- iv) Coaches may go to the designated officiating area on 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' amenities can be accessed in the Coaches room on the Western side of the Pool (Lorraine Crapp Room) or the amenities on the Eastern side in the "Lane 4" corridor. To access the Eastern side amenities 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 (Lorraine Crapp Room), where refreshments, 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.

WESTERN SIDE



EASTERN SIDE