

Reaccreditation of Returning SNSW Technical Officials

- Swimming Australia (SA) Technical Official accreditations require regular attendance at swim meets and participation in educational experiences to maintain their currency under the SA National Officiating Accreditation Program (NOAP).
- Technical Officials may take time away from the sport, during which time their accreditations may lapse, before they make a decision to return. They will need to re-activate their accreditations at this time.
- Neither SNSW, nor the ATSC, should be placing barriers in their way – the process should be as smooth and easy as possible.
- The process must involve the ATSC.
- The process should be viewed as ‘bringing them up to speed’, not as ‘re- training’.

Returning Level 1 Technical Officials

- The returning Technical Official must provide the ATSC with proof of a current Working With Children Check.
- Any officiating experience gained during the five (5) years immediately prior to their return may be used to automatically reaccredit the Technical Official.
 - Technical Officials in this group are to be encouraged to bring their knowledge up-to-date by completing appropriate modules in the SNSW online training courses, but this is not a mandatory part of the re-accreditation process.
 - Technical Officials in this group shall be provided with information regarding any rule changes enacted by World Aquatics (WA) at the most recent WA Technical Congress, and subsequently adopted by SA and SNSW.
- Where the Technical Official is returning after a gap of longer than five (5) years, with no officiating experience, the process will be slightly different, depending on the specific accreditation(s) being re-activated. Some will require only a refresher course, while others will involve both a refresher course and practical assessment.

Group 1 Accreditations

- For **Timekeeper, Chief Timekeeper, Check Starter** and **Clerk of the Course**, the Technical Official is to complete the appropriate SNSW online training module and present the completed certificate to the ATSC.

- The returning Technical Official need only complete any one (1) training module from this group to re-activate all these accreditations. They are to be encouraged to complete any other modules, as appropriate.
- For **Recorder, AOE Operator** and **Meet Manager Operator** the Technical Official will need to be assessed as 'Competent' during one (1) practical assessment at an Area, or SNSW, meet, using the SA Assessment document.

Once the ATSC is satisfied that the required criteria have been met, they will inform the SNSW Office where the Technical Official's status will be changed from 'Inactive' to 'Active' in the database of SNSW Technical Officials.

Group 2 Accreditations

- Returning Technical Officials re-activating any of the Group 2 accreditations will not be required to re-activate any of the Group 1 accreditations as a pre-requisite.
- For **Starter**, the Technical Official is to complete the appropriate SNSW online training module, present the completed certificate to ATSC and be assessed as 'Competent' following one (1) practical assessment at an Area meet, using the SA Assessment document.
- For **Inspector of Turns** and **Judge of Stroke**, the Technical Official is to complete the appropriate SNSW online training module, present the completed certificate to ATSC and be assessed as 'Competent' following one (1) practical assessment at an Area meet, using the SA Assessment document.
 - Where the Technical Official holds both (inactive) accreditations, only one (1) assessment, as **Judge of Stroke**, will be required to re-activate both.
- For **Referee**, the Technical Official is to complete the SNSW online training modules for Inspector of Turns and Judge of Stroke, present the completed certificates to the ATSC and be assessed as 'Competent' following one (1) practical assessment at an Area meet, using the SA Assessment document.
 - The returning **Referee** will not be required to re-activate any of their other accreditations as a pre-requisite of re-activating their **Referee** accreditation.

Once the ATSC is satisfied that the required criteria have been met, they will inform the SNSW Office where the Technical Official's status will be changed from 'Inactive' to 'Active' in the database of SNSW Technical Officials.

Returning Level 2 and 3 Technical Officials

- Having achieved re-accreditation at Area level, returning Level 2 and 3 **Referees** and **Starters** will need to undertake one (1) assessment at a SNSW Pathway Meet. A 'Competent' outcome will re-activate their advanced status for that accreditation.
 - Where the Technical Official has advanced standing in both **Referee** and **Starter** accreditations, a separate assessment at a SNSW Pathway Meet will need to be carried out for each.