

REFEREE CHECK LIST FOR RCSL DUAL MEETS

MEET WITH COACHES/REPS BEFORE MEET:

1. Decide Freestyle Exhibition age groups
2. Remind coaches/reps of swimmer's eligibility (must be on team's roster to score points)
3. Decide on weather delay or postponement (if needed - see RCSL rules)
4. Stress need to get swimmers to block on time
5. Stress need to keep work area clear of swimmers
6. Modify any rule for disability (if needed)

MEET WITH HEAD TIMER/MEET DIRECTOR:

1. Establish head timer signal that timers are ready
2. Make sure all forms have been filled out
3. Make sure RCSL and USS rules are available
4. Make sure Head Table Scorer is designated

OFFICIALS MEETING (by 6:15 pm):

1. Check if officials are **currently certified** by RCSL or USS - **If Referee is not currently certified, the Dual Meet may be forfeited by HOME TEAM if the visiting team protests.**
2. Establish each area of jurisdiction
3. Remind officials to not DQ 8 and Unders if stroke attempted has no unfair advantage
4. Stress raising hand and explaining the DQ
5. Choose officials for dual confirmation of all relays and remind them to not raise hand for early take-off; fill out DQ and give to Referee
6. Stress that Referee must approve all DQ slips

MEET (Start at 6:30 pm):

1. Do not accept DQ if out of area
2. Question all DQs
3. DQ relays only if there is dual confirmation for early take-off
4. Sign and give to scoring table approved DQs
5. **DEEP POCKETS!!! Any doubt, pocket DQs**
6. Referee must concur with starter on false start
7. Blow whistle to signal event; starter needs this before each start

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Lane ropes are required
2. Lanes are to be visibly numbered
3. Backstroke flags are required - 15' from wall and 7' above water
4. Recall rope is not required
5. Starter is to be positioned no more than 10' from starting end of pool
6. Competing relays must swim in adjacent lanes

AT DUAL MEETS, REFEREE IS THE FINAL AUTHORITY. ONLY THE PROTEST COMMITTEE CAN OVERRULE. A PROTEST CAN BE MADE BY COACH OR REP ON RULE INTERPRETATION ONLY - NOT JUDGMENT CALLS!

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