NCHSAA Swimming & Diving Information

(Swimming & Diving sport season timeline will be handled a little different this year, due to the 2020 pandemic:)

2020-2021 Swimming & Diving Registration is currently OPEN - (Opened September 2020)

- First Swimming Practice begins: November 23, 2020
- First Regular Season Contest begins: <u>December 7th</u>, 2020 (Season Limit: 14 Meets / 2 Meets per week)
- FINAL Regular Season Contest ends: January 30th. 2021
- State Regionals: **February 4-6, 2021**
- State Championship: **February 10-13, 2021**

*2020-2021 Officials' Registration:

Click here to Register - https://www.dragonflymax.com/academyofficialsregistration

Click here for Printable Instructions. (There is also a tutorial video for your convenience in <u>DragonFly Academy</u> as well.) https://www.nchsaa.org/sites/default/files/attachments/NCHSAA DragonFlyInstructions.pdf

This is a new registration platform provided by DragonFly in conjunction with the Center for Officials Services ('COS') and the NFHS (National Federation of High Schools)

Steps to get you started for your NCHSAA/NFHS/DragonFly Officials' Registration:

- 1. Create your Account
- 2. Choose your role as Official > "Contest Official"
- 3. Choose your <u>State Association and Sport(s)</u> ("NCHSAA / Swimming & Diving") (Complete all checklist items for Registration (Demographic information, Exams & Payment)

If you should have any technical issues, contact the DragonFly team at www.dragonflymax.com/contact - or NFHS 'Center of Officials Services' ("COS") - #1-877-246-1818.

*Swimming & Diving Exam Information:

Below, you will find the link that will explain your step-by-step instructions in order to take the NFHS Swimming & Diving Exams. https://static1.squarespace.com/static/59033fcdebbd1a7690b7d53f/t/5f08a9305437603e44479f53/1594403122856/NFHS+Exam+Center+Integration.pdf

The online NCHSAA 'Stroke & Turn Exam,' and the NCHSAA 'Referee Exam' must be taken between: November 1st - December 6th, 2020.

- 'Stroke & Turn' Exam is to be taken by ALL Officials (including 'Referees').
- <u>'Referee' Exam</u> is required for Officials working towards the two (2) year criteria to become a 'Referee' as well as current 'Referees.'
- A 'USA Swimming Official,' who is a 'Referee' already, will still need to register as a NCHSAA Official, we will grant them 'Referee' status for the NCHSAA, without having to meet the two-year criteria. 'USA Swimming Referees' must still take the 'Stroke & Turn' Exam in as well as the 'Referee' Exam.
- *If you are a USA Certified Swimming 'Referee,' please inform Melissa Knight at melissa@nchsaa.org
- You may stop & start your exam as needed & you will notice the screen on the dashboard appear as such: "CONTINUE."

*NOTE: - Again, ...YOU MAY STOP & START YOUR EXAM AS MANY TIMES AS NEEDED, BUT ONCE YOU "SUBMIT THE EXAM" YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RE-ENTER nor RE-TAKE THE EXAM!! - PACE YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY!

- After the exam, you will get instructions about "REVIEWING YOUR TEST," - followed by a confirmation email with your test results.

(If you would like to confirm that your test score(s) have been recorded on your NCHSAA/DF Registration account, **please feel free** to forward Melissa Knight the email that NFHS sends to you, <u>with your test results</u>, after you complete your exam.)

**Exam Information continued:

- Each Swimming Official needs to take: the 'Stroke & Turn' Exam.
- To become a Referee, as well as maintain 'Referee' status: you will need to take the 'Stroke & Turn' Exam
 AS WELL AS the 'Referee' Exam.
- If you wish to be a **Diving Judge**, we ask that you take the **Diving Exam** as well.

*Swimming 'Referee' Exam Requirements:

In order to become/maintain 'Referee' status:

- Score 90 or above on NC 'Stroke & Turn Exam'
- Score 75 or above on NC 'Referee Exam'
- Must have worked at least 1 Regional or State Championship within the last 2 years.
- Work at least 2 Regular Season swim meets.

*Each Official must attend one of the Swimming State Rules Clinic.

https://www.nchsaa.org/officials/swimming-diving-officiating

(You will need to contact your Local Clinician, in your area, if you should have further questions in regard to your Local State Rules Clinic.)

*Online NFHS 'Concussion in Sports' Course: https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61151/concussion-in-sports
ALL Officials are REQUIRED to take the NFHS Concussion Course prior to working their first swim meet.

Anyone who has taken the NFHS 'Concussion in Sports' Course AFTER May 1, 2019 will receive credit for the 2020-2021 year, (you will need to provide a copy of your 'Completion Certificate' of your 'Concussion In Sports' online course to Melissa Knight - melissa@nchsaa.org)

- <u>NEW Officials are required</u> to take the NFHS Concussion Course before being eligible for the 2020-2021 school year. https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61151/concussion-in-sports

*FEES: Swimming Officials have to complete their Registration process with NCHSAA through DragonFly.

- Total Swimming & Diving Registration fees = \$57.00

\$26. Registration fee, + \$31.00 (this \$31 cost covers: your Insurance = \$21. / & your Background Check fee = \$10.)

*Diving Judge Information:

- High School Coaches must start their registration process and pass the NCHSAA 'Diving Judge' Exam.
- <u>'USA Diving Official' must complete their registration through DragonFly as an NCHSAA Official</u> (however, exempt from NCHSAA Diving Exam).
- Everyone else must complete their registration as an NCHSAA Swimming Official and pass the NCHSAA
 'Diving Judge' Exam.

***Verification Forms:**

- Your 2020-2021 Verification Form must be signed at each meet you work.
- Your completed Verification Form must be returned to the NCHSAA Office by: March 1, 2021.

*Officials' Qualification Data:

- All Swimming Officials information and referee status can be found on www.nchsaa.org -
 - Click on the Swimming & Diving Sports page. All information will be updated as we receive it.