



2025-2026 Volunteer Points Requirement

WELCOME!

It takes an enormous number of volunteers to run our club – from year-round decision-making and planning, to organizing 40+ positions that need to be filled to run a swim meet. Hosted swim meets are big portion of our annual budget and allow us to compete at home, avoiding costly travel. The family point system ensures we have enough volunteers to keep the club running smoothly, have proper supervision during team travel, and to host fun and efficient swim meets.

We have another exiting year of competition ahead that will provide plenty of opportunities to learn new deck and booth skills. Jeff Stevens, our Club Officials Director, will facilitate officials' trainings throughout the season. If you have questions about courses or deck roles, he can be reached at officials@islandswimming.com.

POINTS REQUIREMENT: For hosted meets and other volunteering

Meet & Date	Intro Comp	Regional	Provincial	CSI & National
Bennett Cup Nov 7 - 9, 2025	2	3	4	4
VIRS January 2026	1	3	4	4
Medley Challenge May 22 – 24, 2026	2	2	3	4
Additional volunteer points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time Trial – Dec 13 Masters Meet - February Other Volunteer Positions Spillover from meet points 	1	1	1	2
Total Annual Points	6	9	12	14

NOTES: Families are required to meet the point commitment of the highest-level swimmer in the family.

- The minimum required per meet applies even if your swimmer is not attending the meet.
- Older swimmers can work some of your family shifts if they are not competing in a meet.

PENALTY SYSTEM: We would rather have your help running excellent swim meets!

- Families that don't meet their minimum points obligation will be fined \$50 per point missed. Members who complete fewer than 25% of their required points will be charged at \$100 per point missed.
- Charges will be billed to your swimmer account in early June and are payable with your June 15 fees

HOW TO EARN & CHECK YOUR VOLUNTEER POINTS

The easiest way to earn volunteer points to is sign-up online for shifts at your required swim meets. The more volunteers, the easier it is for everyone involved. **You must be LOGGED IN to the website when you sign up or your volunteer points will not be credited to your account.**

Be sure to periodically check your points to ensure all meet credits have been applied. Points can be viewed under My Account/ Job Credits.

Helping at swim meets is the primary way in which points are earned for the swim season. The Officials Coordinator may increase the point value for shifts that are difficult to fill. Other volunteer position points (such as board members) will be counted towards your overall annual total. If you are interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities, please contact Cathy in the office – we are always looking for more volunteers.

SWIM MEET JOBS			
ORGANIZING ROLES	POINTS EARNED	DAY-OF-MEET ROLES	POINTS EARNED
Meet Manager	10/meet	Booth (Quantum, Hytek, CFJ)	1.5/shift
Time Trial Meet Manager	5/meet	Admin Desk	3/shift
National meet chair	10/meet	Starter or Referee	3/shift
National meet committee	4/meet	Chief Timer	2/shift
Officials Coordinator	2/per meet session	Stroke & Turn	1/shift
Hospitality Coordinator/Prep*	5/meet	Timer, Timer/Safety Marshal	1/shift
		Hospitality	1/shift
OTHER VOLUNTEER JOBS			
Board President	6/year	Chaperones	1 point per full day & 20% off team travel (excluding flights)
Board Members	4/year	Club Officials Director	8/year
Event Coordinator (eg. club party)	6/event	Swim Officials Clinic Teacher	4/clinic
Event/ Board Committee Member	2/event	Fundraising – various	Based on event

** To learn new roles, shadow shifts (generally once per job) can be arranged at the discretion of the meet management team.

NAVIGATING THE OFFICIALS PATHWAY: Learning swim meet roles

OFFICIALS TRAINING

Swimming Canada is in the process of updating the Officials Pathway for the first time in 50 years. The aim is to make it more user friendly and easier for officials in all roles.

We are hopeful the REMS system will be working properly by the start of the season. At that time, Jeff Stevens, our Club Officials Director, will activate your officials account in the Swimming Canada system. You will be emailed a link and be required to **login and sign the Assumption of Risk** waiver form to activate your account. This process will be reviewed at the early season parent meeting.

It is the expectation of the club that members will diversify their skills to help in many areas of running a swim meet. It is also expected that when a swimmer moves to a higher competitive group, their family will take on higher level volunteer positions. If you are new to officiating, opportunities to Shadow and learn from more experienced officials can be arranged by contacting the Officials Coordinator for any meet.

During the season, ISC will host a number of officials training clinics to help diversify officiating skills. This allows for maximum flexibility when organizing a swim meet. More information about the official's pathway and how to upgrade your skills is available on the Island Swimming website under Member Info.

If you have specific questions about the Officials Pathway or your certification status, you can contact Jeff at **officials@islandswimming.com**