

**Potomac Valley Swimming  
Chief Judge Certification Test**

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**-- Place the letter(s) of the selected answer on the lines to the right.**

**-- The following eleven questions are to be answered using the 2011 USAS Rulebook.**

**1. In the event of a disqualification the Referee or designated official calling the infraction must do what?**

- a. Inform the swimmer or coach, otherwise the disqualification is invalid.
- b. Inform a teammate of the disqualification.
- c. Shall make every reasonable effort to seek out the swimmer or his/her coach and inform him/her as to the reason for the disqualification.
- d. Shall immediately raise one hand overhead.
- e. Only c and d.

There is one (1) correct answer. >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

a. 102.22.1    b. 102.22.2    c. 102.23.1    d. 102.22.13    >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**2. When a freestyle swimmer swims more than 16 lengths of the pool, one counter may be appointed to count the lengths. How shall these counters indicate lengths by visual sign?**

- a. The counter changes the visual counter to the next higher odd number as the competitor makes each turn at the starting end.
- b. The counter shall count in ascending order only.
- c. The counter shall count in descending order only.
- d. The counter shall count in ascending or descending order.

There is one (1) correct answer. >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

a. 102.6A    b. 102.6B    c. 102.6C    d. 102.6D    e. 102.6E    >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**3. During a competition, what are swimmers not permitted to use to help their speed, pace or buoyancy?**

- a. Any device or substance that helps their speed or buoyancy during a race.
- b. What the Referee considers an excessive amount of rubdown oil.
- c. Pace devices during the competition.
- d. All of the above.

There is one (1) correct answer. >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

a. 102.22.8 ( )    b. 102.22.9 ( )    c. 102.8.1E ( )    d. 102.22.11 ( )    e. 102.22.13 ( )    >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**4. The Stroke and Turn Judges neglect to raise their hands when observing a disqualification they subsequently report. What is the Referee's call?**

- a. The Referee must uphold the disqualification.
- b. The Referee must not accept the disqualification, unless the Program Operations Vice President has directed that the meet be conducted under FINA procedures.
- c. The Referee must ask if other officials observed the infraction.

There is one (1) correct answer. >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

a. 102.22.1    b. 102.22.3    c. 102.11.1    d. 102.11.2    e. 102.11.6    >>>>>>>> \_\_\_\_\_

**5. If a swimmer swims into another lane and then back into the correct lane, must the swimmer be disqualified?**

- a. The swimmer is automatically disqualified.
- b. The swimmer is disqualified for failing to remain in the assigned lane.
- c. The swimmer is not disqualified providing that there was no violation of stroke rules and there was no interference with a swimmer in the second lane.

There is one (1) correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. 102.22.3    b. 102.22.4    c. 102.22.5    d. 102.22.6    e. 102.22.7

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**6. According to the discretion of the Referee, which actions may disqualify a swimmer?**

- a. Interfering with another swimmer during a race may disqualify a swimmer.
- b. Obstructing another swimmer during a race may disqualify a swimmer.
- c. Collusion to foul another swimmer, in which case both the person who fouled the swimmer, and the swimmer for whose aid the foul was committed may be disqualified.
- d. All of the above.

There is one (1) correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. 102.22.4    b. 102.22.5    c. 102.22.6    d. 102.22.7    e. 102.22.9

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**7. When the opinions of Judges differ, what is the authority of the Referee in resolving such differences?**

- a. The Referee shall have the authority over all Officials and shall assign and instruct them.
- b. The Referee shall have the authority to overrule any official on a point of interpretation.
- c. The Referee shall have the authority to overrule any official on a judgment decision pertaining to an action which the Referee has personally observed.
- d. The Referee shall have the authority to intercede in a competition at any stage.
- e. All of the above.

There is one (1) correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. 102.11.1    b. 102.11.2    c. 102.11.3    d. 102.11.5    e. 102.11.6

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**8. What options does the Referee have when observing an infraction in an event, but the Stroke Judge fails to make the call?**

- a. The Referee may not overrule any meet official on a point of rule interpretation, or on a judgment decision pertaining to an action which the Referee has personally observed
- b. The Referee shall have the authority to disqualify any swimmer for any violation personally observed, except false starts, and shall at the same time raise one hand overhead.
- c. The Referee does not need to raise one hand overhead for the disqualification to be upheld.

There is one (1) correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. 102.22.1    b. 102.11.1    c. 102.11.2    d. 102.11.3    e. 101.1.3A

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**9. Prior to the competition, who has the responsibility to report any disabilities requiring modifications during the competition?**

- a. The coach of the swimmer with a disability.
- b. The Referee must first ascertain whether such a disability exists.
- c. The athlete or the athlete's coach.
- d. The athlete.

There is one (1) correct answer for this question.

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**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

- a. 105.5.1    b. 105.5.2    c. 105.5.3    d. 105.1.1    e. 105.1.2.A

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**10. How may swimmers who are blind or have vision loss be notified when they are approaching a turn or finish?**

- a. By the use of a sound device.
- b. By using a "Tapper" which is a pole with a soft-tipped end.
- c. By a swimmer who is placed in the same lane as the swimmer who is blind or has vision loss.

There is one (1) correct answer for this question.

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**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

- a. 105.1.2.A    b. 105.2.2    c. 105.2.3    d. 105.3.1    e. 105.3.2

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**11. The Referee is responsible for instructing which officials about accommodations that need to be made for a swimmer with a disability?**

- a. The Starter, the Chief Judge, and the Stroke and Turns Judges.
- b. The Administrative Referee.
- c. No one, it is the Athlete or the Athlete's coach's responsibility.

There is one (1) correct answer for this question.

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**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

- a. 105.1.2.B(1)    b. 105.1.2.B (2)    c. 105.1.1    d. 105.1.2.A    e. 105.2.1

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The following 14 questions must be answered using one or more of three on-line guides:

1. **USAS Chief Judge Responsibilities and Checklist** (available at the USAS website)
2. **USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines** (available at the USAS website)
3. **USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge** (available at the USAS website)

**12. What pre-meet responsibilities are generally expected to be performed by the Chief Judge team?**

- a. Officials deck assignments (excluding referees & starters).
- b. Review of deck protocol
- c. Review of jurisdictions.
- d. Introductions.
- e. All of the above.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- b. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 1
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 1

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**13. Where should the Chief Judge focus his/her eyes during the event?**

- a. On the audience looking for camera flashes at the start.
- b. On the lead swimmer.
- c. On the warm-up/warm-down pool in order to marshal that area.
- d. On the Judges assigned to their his/her area of jurisdiction (or quadrant).

There is one correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist handout pg 2
- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 1

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**14. What is the first thing the Chief Judge should ask when he/she approaches an official who has raised a hand?**

- a. What is your name?
- b. Where were you standing?
- c. What is the problem?
- d. What lane?

There is one correct answer.

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**There is one (1) correct reference available for this question.**

- a. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist handout pg 1
- b. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- c. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- d. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist handout pg 3

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**15. What is the first thing a Chief Judge radios in to the Deck Referee upon noticing a hand raised by one of his/her judges?**

- a. "Possible disqualification, stroke judge lane 1 (or 8) side" (example).
- b. "Hand up – turn end" (example).
- c. "Possible disqualification, lane X start (or turn) end" – example
- d. "a" or "c" above

There is one correct answer.

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**There are three (3) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist handout pg 2
- d. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 1

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**16. What questions should the Chief Judge ask of the Official?**

- a. What did you see?
- b. What is the rule?
- c. What is your jurisdiction?
- d. All of the above.

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**There are three (3) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist handout pg 2
- d. USAS 2011 Rulebook rule 102.13.1

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**17. What is the second thing the Chief Judge radios in to the Deck Referee?**

- a. Lane number and the infraction, along with a recommendation of acceptance or rejection
- b. His/her opinion as to the official's competence
- c. His/her opinion as to what they, as Chief Judge in the quadrant, saw.
- d. His/her opinion as to whether deck protocol was observed by the official when the call was made.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are three (3) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 3
- b. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- c. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- d. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist

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**18. What does the Chief Judge do if he has a problem with the call?**

- a. Try to help the official re-create what they saw in words.
- b. Explain to the Referee that he/she did not personally see the violation also and therefore they recommend rejection.
- c. Recommend rejection to the Deck Referee.
- d. Allow the call to go through since it is no reflection upon his/her ability.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are three (3) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 1
- d. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 2

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**19. Who has the final authority on the acceptance of calls?**

- a. The Admin Referee
- b. The Lead Chief Judge
- c. The "Admin Box" Chief Judge
- d. The Deck Referee

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**There are three (3) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 2
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS 2011 Rulebook rule 102.13.1
- d. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2

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**20. Once the call has been accepted by the Deck Referee, what are the duties of the Chief Judge In regards to completing the DQ process?**

- a. Write up the disqualification slip.
- b. Notify the athlete or coach
- c. Radio the Deck Referee, "Athlete notified".
- d. All of the above

There is one correct answer.

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**There is one (1) correct reference for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 3
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 4

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**21. What is the possible correct radio etiquette to be used by the start-end CJs after the last swimmer has taken off during a relay?**

- a. "Possible disqualification, lane X"
- b. "Confirmed early take-off, lane X".
- c. "All clear lanes 1-4 or 5-8"
- d. Any of the above depending upon the situation.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- b. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 3
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 3

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**22. The Chief Judge on the start end, lane 8, has noticed the side take-off judge mark an "X" on the second swimmer taking off in lane 7. What should the Chief Judge do?**

- a. Immediately report in, "Possible disqualification, lane 7".
- b. Immediately walk over to the lane take-off judge to see if he/she has confirmation.
- c. Have the side take-off judge raise one hand after the last swimmer in the heat has departed.
- d. None of the above.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 3
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 1
- d. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 3

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**23. Equipment that will be needed and that are the Chief Judge's responsibility include all but the following.**

- a. Officials sign-In sheets
- b. Assignment forms
- c. Name tags
- d. Bells/Lap Counters

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 2
- b. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 1
- d. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines

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**24. What additional duties may a Referee assign to a Chief Judge?**

- a. Watching the swimmers in the pool during competition.
- b. Help in evaluating performances of Stroke & Turn judges.
- c. Scheduling Starters' rotations.
- d. Maintaining the DQ log.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 2
- b. USAS Chief Judge Responsibilities and Checklist pg 3
- c. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 3

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**25. What are the duties of the Chief Judge at the end of a session?**

- a. Thank all the officials.
- b. Collect equipment & supplies.
- c. Evaluate the performances of their officials, --- if asked.
- d. All of the above.

There is one correct answer.

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**There are two (2) correct references available for this question.**

- a. USAS Guide to Officiating Chapter 4 - Chief Judge pg 3
- b. USAS Radio Etiquette and Usage Guidelines
- c. USAS Chief Judges Responsibilities & Checklist pg 3

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