Technical Official Roles

The table below explains the role of all volunteers. There is now online training available for many of the roles. It is not essential that volunteers complete the training before helping out on pool deck as there will always be experienced people on pool deck to guide you. If you wish to become an accredited technical official you will need to complete the training prior to accreditation.

Role	Description	Training Method
Timekeeper	Obvious- but you will learn something from the training!	Online training: https:// nswtraining.swimming. org.au/ Note: your club will organise a timekeeping roster. The Doodle Poll does not include timekeepers.
Marshal / Clerk of the Course	Organises the swimmers into heats before the races. Works closely with the check starters and is vital to the smooth running of a meet.	
Check Starter	Just before the start of a race the marshal hands theswimmers over to the check starter who places them behind the blocks, checking that they are in the correct lane.	
Starter	A good starter ensures all swimmers have a fair go.	
Announcer	Some say the best job at a meet but also critical to the smooth running of a meet.	Contact ATEC Convenor: sact.training@live.com
AOE/SAT Operator	Work the computers that run the scoreboard and timing equipment. Looks scary? No!	
Recorder	Seeds entries, processes results and checks for new records.	Online training: https://nswtraining.swimming.org.au/
Inspector of Turns	Ensure that swimmers comply with relevant rules from the start, when turning, at the finish and in the change-over in relay events.	
Judge of Stroke	Ensure that the rules for each stroke are observed and observe the turns to assist the Inspectors of Turns.	
Referee	Controls the meet and solves all problems. Must be accredited for all other positions(except AOE operator and announcer).	Contact ATEC Convenor: sact.training@live.com
Meet Manager Operator	Meet Manager is used at all meets to assist with the running of the the meet, eg, seed entries, print results etc.	
Programs / Medal Officers	Sells programs at the start of the meet. Hands medals to place getters as results are announced during the meet.	On the job training.
Chief Timekeeper / Runner	Assists recorders to run documents to other officials and put results on display.	