

Clerk of Course

Description:

The Clerk of Course stands near the blocks during the meet. At the beginning of the meet, the Clerk of Course will be given a list of all events, which contains the swimmer, lane, and heat information for each event in the meet. Additionally, the Clerk of Course will be given event sheets for the first heats of all events. The boy first-heat sheets are blue and the girl first-heat sheets are pink.

The Clerk of Course will have 10-under kids brought to them by the Kid Pushers, and 11-and-older kids will be responsible for arriving for their event themselves. If a kid is missing, ask the Kid Pusher for 10-under kids, or a teammate of this missing kid for 11-and-older kids, sending them to look for the missing kid if necessary.

For a first heat, the Clerk of Course then makes a checkmark on the first heat event sheet to indicate a kid was present.

For all other heats, the Clerk of Course can consolidate kids into empty lanes to reduce the number of heats. This should **not** be done for the first heat. If one team has more swimmers for an event, the swimmers from that team can be filled in the empty lane spots to reduce the number of heats. Please make sure each heat has at least two swimmers.

The Clerk of Course verifies the order the 10-under kids are in against the event list as assigned by the Kid Pusher that brought them over, and guides the 11-and-older kids to their spots if necessary. After the blue and pink event sheets have been checked for the first heat, the Clerk of Course hands the blue and pink event sheets to the Runner.

Example:

The 11-12 Boys Backstroke has 10 participants from Wood Valley and 14 participants from Springdale. We are at Wood Valley using our 6 lane pool. Since we are at home we have the odd lanes 1, 3, & 5 for our swimmers and the opposing team gets lanes 2, 4 & 6.

The default organization would be:

Heat 1: Wood Valley 1/3/5, Springdale 2/4/6

Heat 2: Wood Valley 1/3/5, Springdale 2/4/6

Heat 3: Wood Valley 1/3/5, Springdale 2/4/6

Heat 4: Wood Valley 3, Springdale 2/4/6

Heat 5: Springdale 2/4

This could be modified to reduce the number of heats as follows:

Heat 1 is not modified, because first heats are never altered.

Heat 2 requires no changes.

Heat 3 requires no changes.

Heat 4 can be changed. We have one swimmer left, in lane 3. Springdale is using 2, 4, & 6. We can move the two Springdale swimmers from Heat 5 into the two unused lanes, 1 and 5, and eliminate Heat 5.

BOYS EVENT

TYPE: Main Heat
 AGE: 6-U (7-8) 9-10 11-12 13-14 15-18
 Medley Relay Freestyle Backstroke
 Breaststroke Butterfly Freestyle Relay

Lane	Contestant	Club	Place
1	Florent Manaudou		
2			
3	Anthony Ervin		
4			
5	Nathan Adrian		
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			

Home team in odd-numbered lanes, visiting team in even-numbered lanes

Winning Time

GIRLS EVENT

TYPE: Main Heat
 AGE: 6-U 7-8 (9-10) 11-12 13-14 15-18
 Medley Relay Freestyle Backstroke
 Breaststroke Butterfly Freestyle Relay

Lane	Contestant	Club	Place
1	Kathleen Baker		
2			
3	Katinka Hosszú		
4			
5	Kylie Masse		
6			
7			
8			
9			
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Home team in odd-numbered lanes, visiting team in even-numbered lanes

Winning Time

Tips:

This position is a great way to encourage the kids to be excited about the meet. High fives and encouragement go a long way.

Length of time commitment at the meet:

This position is busy before each first heat of each event the whole length of the meet