

# CPAL Official Certification Guidelines

The following guidelines are for the 2008 – 2009 CPAL season:

1. Interested members of CPAL teams must attend one of the designated training clinics announced at the Oct. meeting.
2. Team reps must email their club's intended participants to the Interpreter of the site they are planning to attend. A copy of that email must be sent to Kathy Lemmons so she can prepare badges. Following the training the Interpreters will submit the official listing to Donna Sprowls and Kathy Lemmons. Badges will be dispensed at the Nov. meeting to the team reps for distribution within their club.
3. Participants are requested to review the following sections prior to attending a clinic: Rule 4/Officials and Their Duties/, Rule 8/Swimming Events/ and Rule 3, Conduct.
4. Team rep is to complete the CPAL Level Certification club form by Nov. 22 and send to Donna Sprowls. This form can be submitted electronically as well.
5. Officials with current PIAA, YMCA I, COSA and/or USA do not need to complete CPAL level certification.
6. If CPAL club has a sufficient number of officials, no participants from that club are necessary.
7. Clinics will be approximately two hours in length.
8. Participant will be qualified to serve as a stroke and turn official upon completion of clinic for one year only. CPAL level certification must be renewed yearly.
9. Referee/Starter or Referee needs to be a PIAA, YMCA II, COSA and/or USA official. If under a dire circumstance a CPAL team's Referee/Starter or Referee is unable to obtain required certification, speak with a CPAL interpreter.
10. The CPAL certification badge must be worn on deck when officiating.