

USA Swimming National Evaluator Guidelines

N2 Evaluators/Mentors are maintained by the LSC. The following are guideline recommendations for the LSC Officials Chairs to select N2 Evaluators:

- Currently holds N3 ST certification.
- Currently holds a N2 certification in the position they are evaluating.
- Has attended a National Championship meet (3 star and above) within the last 3 years.
- Actively participates in LSC meets.
- Actively participates in a LSC Championship meet in past 18 months.
- Successful Deck Mentor to Apprentices within LSC
- Knows Rules, Jurisdictions, Protocol
- Characteristics: Patient, Thoughtful, Communicates Well and Often, Values Volunteers, Apprentices Respond to Teaching, Is a Mentor
- Experienced higher level meets (Sectionals, Pro Swim Series, and National Championships).
- Lead by example: Models skills in Professional Documents.

National Committee's Standards for N3 Mentors

- Positive performance in position at national championship meet as evidenced by evaluation.
- Mentored position at N2 level for N3 initial, and N3 initial for N3 final
- Mentees have advanced and performed well
- Excels at Mentoring and possesses beneficial characteristics

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N3i Evaluators/Mentors are maintained by the National Officials Committee. The following are prerequisites for N3i CJ, DR, AR and SR evaluator recommendations and selection process:

- Current N3 ST certification.
- Current N3 certification in position evaluating.
- Positive performance evaluation in recommended National Evaluator position two times at a National (3 Star or above) meet. (This may not be the evaluation where the N3 status is initially earned).
- Officiated in some capacity at a Junior or Senior National Championship meet in the past 3 years.
- Written recommendation for N3i evaluator position by the applicants LSC Officials Chair or another N3f evaluator in that position. Request is submitted to NOC Chair and/or NOC Evaluator subcommittee chair. LSC Officials Chair will be asked to review the request if they did not originate the recommendation.
- Minimum of two teaching activities recorded in OTS in past 18 months.
- Minimum of two Learning activities recorded in OTS in past 18 months.
- Independent review/confirmation by three FINA officials as outlined below:

Position	FINA Referees	FINA Starters
Chief Judge	2	1
Starter	1	2
Deck Referee	2	1
Administrative Referee	3	0

- FINA Officials will: Recommend or Recommend with Action Plan or Not Recommend or No Opinion/Do not Know Applicant.
- NOC members may be asked to review recommendations as necessary.
- N3i evaluators are able to conduct N3 recertification evaluations.

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N3f Evaluators/Mentors are maintained by the National Officials Committee. The following are prerequisites for N3f CJ, DR, AR and SR evaluator recommendations and selection process:

- Must have served in the position at two National (3 Star and above) with at least one of the two meets having been a 5 Star meet.
- Must have successfully evaluated at the N3i level in the position as evidenced by positive "Evaluate the Evaluator" responses received in the previous four years.
- The evaluators written N3i evaluations are also reviewed by the NOC Evaluator subcommittee and NOC Chair.
- Request for N3f status must be provided in writing by prospective N3f evaluator to the NOC Chair and/or NOC Evaluator subcommittee chair.

Process to maintain N3f evaluator position:

- Officiated in some capacity at a National (3 Star and above) meet in the past 24 months.
- Minimum of two Teaching activities recorded in OTS in past 18 months.
- Minimum of two Learning activities recorded in OTS in past 18 months.
- Active in LSC in past 12 months.

Additional Information:

NOC Chair reserves the right to appoint or remove any official from the N3 Evaluator List.

N3 Evaluator List will be updated quarterly: July 1, October 1, January 1, April 1.

Submission must be received by: June 1, September 1, December 1 or March 1 to be considered for the next update.

Sectionals (★)

Futures (★★)

Juniors (★★★)

Pro Series (★★★★)

Nationals (★★★★★)

US Open (★★★★★)

Olympic Trials (★★★★★)

Evaluator/Mentor Subcommittee:

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