

SMNE POOL DECK ACCESS POLICY



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COACH POOL DECK ACCESS POLICY AT SMNE CONDUCTED MEETS

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Introduction

Swimming Metro North East Inc along with Swimming NSW and Swim Coaches Teachers Australia New South Wales Branch (SCTA NSW) continue to work closely to ensure our Pool Decks are safe environments for all participants at swim meets.

All coaches wishing to gain access to the pool deck at any Swimming Metro North East conducted meet MUST have the following:

- 1. Completed the online Swimming NSW Coaches Registration Form.**
- 2. A current and valid Working with Children Check* (It is recommended that your Working with Children Check is downloaded into the Service NSW app and uploaded to Swim Central).**
- 3. Current SCTA Membership.**

*** Current valid NSW Working with Children Check.**

Please note: Once registered the details provided will be checked by SCTA prior to the commencement of the meet.

Any breach of this Policy will potentially lead to the coach being removed from the Pool Deck.

Coaches who are authorised, have access from the start of the publicised warm up time, or if no warm up time is publicised, one hour prior to the advertised start time of the swim meet until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the last event of each day of the swim meet.

Please note the following:

1. Coaches must always wear and display appropriate accreditation i.e., SCTA membership card displayed in a plastic clip or wristband supplied by SNSW.
2. Failure to display appropriate accreditation or identification will result in immediate loss of access to Pool Deck and removal unless rectified immediately. Providing an unauthorised person with the use of a person's authorised accreditation or identification will result in the immediate loss of access to and the removal of all persons concerned from the venue.
3. Swimming Metro North East staff shall keep a record of all registered Coaches who are granted access to the Pool Deck.

As every pool is designed differently, The Field of Play will be determined by the Meet organisers and will be controlled by the Meet Director. Coaches are always to ensure that the Technical Officials have the ability to conduct the meet effectively. For Meets held at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre (SOPAC), please refer to Appendix A.