

Memo



To SNZ Members
From Libby Peckham – Events Manager
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Subject SNZ Officials Forum

Dear SNZ members,

Swimming New Zealand held an Officials Forum for two delegates from each region on Saturday 12th September in Wellington. The purpose of the Forum was to provide advice on officiating in New Zealand and to develop consistency across the SNZ regions. The Forum was extremely successful and SNZ would like to thank the officials that attended for their contribution and time.

As a result of the Forum, the TAC has developed several templates for regions to use. A summary of the areas are discussed are below.

Technical Panel Terms of Reference

The SNZ TAC has developed a 'Technical Panel Terms of Reference' template for regions to use and alter for their regions. The 'Technical Panel Terms of Reference' template can be found on the SNZ website [here](#).

New FINA Rules in booklet form

SNZ has created a booklet which contains the following rules extracted from the FINA Handbook 2009-2013:

- General Rules
- By-Laws
- Swimming Rules
- Facilities Rules
- OWS

The FINA Rules 2009-2013 booklet can be found on the SNZ website [here](#).

Updated DQ Wording Card and FINA Rules – card size

The DQ wording cards and FINA Rules – card size have been updated with the new FINA Rules and numbering. They can be found on the SNZ website [here](#).

Regional Qualifications

The SNZ TAC has developed Regional Qualifications for Inspector of Turns, Starter and Referee. Once the qualification documents have been finalised they will be available from the SNZ website and an email will be sent to regions. Regions are advised to change the name of their Regional Exams to Regional Qualifications.

The TAC advised Regions that there should be no Regional Timekeepers examinations. Therefore the TAC has not developed a Regional Timekeeper qualification.

Updated national qualification application form

The national examinations for IOT, starter and referee will now be referred to as National Qualifications. The updated National Qualification Application Form can be found on the SNZ website [here](#).

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Officials' Roles booklets

The TAC is looking to separate the information from the SNZ Technical Officials Guide into separate booklets for each role. We will advise officials once the changes (if relevant) have been made.

FINA DVD availability

FINA have developed an officiating DVD which each regional association has a copy of. Please contact your regional association for a copy or contact libby@swimmingnz.org.nz to purchase the DVD. I will advise costs upon enquiry.

The Forum was extremely successful and Swimming New Zealand is looking to hold another SNZ Officials Forum next year.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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