

COMMITMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL MALLARD PARENTS

1. Shop & Support
2. Working as Officials at our Alex Baumann Meet in December (new details below regarding club requirements)

Shop and Support is an easy way to raise funds for your club. Gift cards can be purchased from hundreds of vendors with a varied percentage of your purchase going towards the Mallards Swim Team. Your goal would be to raise enough to cover your Shop & Support commitment cheque of \$125.00. Think ahead and purchase cards for Christmas and birthday gifts.

We have been advised by Swim Ontario that all swim clubs must now have a specific number of officials in each level. So, with the start of the new swim season just around the corner, it is our goal for this new year to aggressively encourage all swim parents to attend clinics and learn new positions.

CLUB OFFICIALS DEVELOPMENT PLAN

“The following plan, recommended by the Ontario Swimming Officials Association, and approved by Swim Ontario, encourages clubs to promote their officials progression up the officiating “ladder”, enhancing club ability to host and/or assist at meets. Better officiating means better and more efficient meets. The plan will be phased in over the next 3 competitive seasons.”

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3 Option 1	Year 3 Option 2	Year 3 Option 3
3 Level II	4 Level II	5 Level II	5 Level II	7 Level II
	1 Level III	1 Level III	2 Level III	0 Level III
		2 (Alumni) Level IV/V	1 (Alumni) Level IV/V	2 (Alumni) Level IV/V

(Taken from Swim Ontario)

To ensure that we meet the expected number of required levels, each family is expected to attend at least one clinic and work this position at a meet. Failure to do so will result in your “Commitment Cheque” being deposited.

- Parents who are new should begin by learning the basics of Timekeeper.
- Others who have done this job should learn the more challenging jobs of Judge of Stroke & Chief Timekeeper as these are mandatory requirements needed to complete level 2.
- Those who have already done the Judge of Stroke are encouraged to learn Clerk of Course; Chief Finish Judge, Starter, Meet Manager.

Swim Ontario is offering a clinic on Sept 27th. Please set a side this date and make an effort to attend. A large turn out by our club for these clinics will show Swim Ontario that the Mallard Swim team is doing their part in encouraging their parents to move up the “officiating ladder”.

If you have any questions regarding your levels and what official positions you need to take, please contact:-

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