Referee's Safety Checklist

- **Note, Locate, Resolve**
  - ☐ Locate nearest exits
  - ☐ Locate and meet facility Manager and Safety Staff leader
  - ☐ Check Emergency Action Plan
  - ☐ Locate first aid equipment, ☐ check contents
  - ☐ Is the pool chemical balance and temperature OK?
  - ☐ Locate emergency call phone and **numbers**
  - ☐ Locate: ☐ backboard, ☐ blood spill equipment and ☐ AED
  - ☐ Ambulance - on campus or external? ☐ Directions to the pool available?
  - ☐ Note dangerous areas including loose cords or electric wires - resolve
  - ☐ **Forms –** Are Report of Occurrence forms available?

- **911 and Lightning Protocols** ☐ Learn - Convey to coaches, officials
  - ☐ **Who monitors lightning**? ☐ Are there "Safe" areas?

- **Marshals**
  - ☐ How many? ☐ Is coverage adequate? ☐ Distinctively dressed?
  - ☐ Do they understand their function?

- **Are medically trained personnel at the meet?**
  - ☐ Ask, ☐ Introduce yourself

Referee's Safety Checklist (Cont'd)

- **Pool and Equipment**
  - ☐ Blocks: ☐ stable? ☐ not slippery?
                  ☐ handgrips safe?   ☐ sharp edges?
  - ☐ Is pool deep enough to use starting platforms?
  - ☐ Is diving board blocked off, and not hazardous?
  - ☐ Are the lane lines safe? ☐ loose wires, ☐ stable anchors.
  - ☐ Are ladders safe?
  - ☐ Is training equipment out of the way?
  - ☐ Is the deck too slippery?
  - ☐ Are there any open pole or starting block holes?
  - ☐ Touch Pad and Anchors: ☐ sharp edges, ☐ projections
  - ☐ Consider accommodations for swimmers with disabilities
  - ☐ Is there sufficient gathering area behind the blocks?
  - ☐ Are Spectators separated from Meet Operation areas?
  - ☐ Can Officials operate safely and without interference?
  - ☐ Shade, Hydration and Chairs for Officials and Timers.
  - ☐ Warmup Pool – don't forget all of above that's applicable.

- **Don't hesitate to stop the meet and resolve any safety issues anywhere in the venue!**

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