

Re-certifying as Starter

Starter re-certification requires you to do the following:

1. Maintain USA/CT requirements:

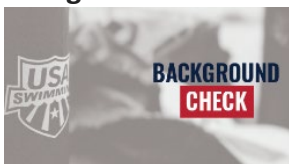
- **Registration** for USA/CT membership with application is done annually – do this between Sept-Dec each year. It is good for the following full year.



- **Athlete Protection Training (APT)** is done every year



- **Background Check** done every two years



2. **Clinic** – Two (2) year cycle

Attend a **re-cert Starter clinic**, or the Officials Annual Meeting every 2 years during the re-cert period Oct-Dec (*note: if the Annual Officials Meeting is before Oct it will still count*)

3. **Test** – Two (2) year cycle

Take the **re-cert Starter test** every two years, passing with 80%+

4. **Work** - eight (8) sessions annually;

1 Championship (Age Groups, Seniors or Regionals) plus 7 additional sessions of any type at any USAS sanctioned meet. **Note: Coaches** that are officials do not have to work the one championship session since they must attend as a coach but they do need to complete the 8 sessions. **NOTE: no OTS re-certification credits are earned for Y or High School observations**

5. **Send** - 'Re-certify me as Starter' email to the Officials Chair (OC) at officials@ctswim.org upon completion of the above. If you do not contact the OC it will not be completed. Please only do this when EVERYTHING appears correct and done in your OTS account

6. **Print** - out your Starter Card from Deck Pass on USA Swimming, 'Membership Card'