



U.S. PARALYMPICS SWIMMING OFFICIALS
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For U.S. officials wishing to attend the *World Para Level 4 TO Programme*, a prerequisite of being accepted into the course is that you must be endorsed by U.S. Paralympics Swimming.

In order to be eligible for endorsement, the following criteria must be met.

First time Applicants for Level 4 TO Programme

1. Must have a current U.S. Paralympics Swimming Official's Level II certification
2. Must have officiated at a minimum of two (2) Can-Am National Championship meets within the preceding 18 months prior to the application for endorsement being submitted (These meets must occur after you gain your U.S. Paralympics Swimming Level II certification)

Repeat Applicants for Level 4 TO Programme

1. In the case of officials who have attended the *World Para Level 4 TO Programme* and did not receive a recommendation for accreditation, the following requirements must be satisfied:
 - a. Must wait for twelve (12) months prior to reapplying for endorsement for attending the course
 - b. Must have a current U.S. Paralympics Swimming Official's Level II certification
 - c. Must attend a minimum of one (1) Can-Am National Championship meet in the preceding twelve (12) months and after attending the *World Para Level 4 TO Programme* course
 - d. If an official attends two (2) consecutive *World Para Level 4 TO Programme's* without obtaining a recommendation for advancement, then the following requirements will apply:
 1. Must wait twenty-four (24) months prior to reapplying for endorsement for attending the *World Para Level 4 TO Programme*,
 2. Must have a current U.S. Paralympics Swimming Official's Level II certification
 3. Must attend a minimum of two (2) Can-Am National Championship meets in the preceding twenty-four (24) months and subsequent to completing the second IPC ITO course
 - e. If an official attends three (3) consecutive *World Para Level 4 TO Programme's* and do not obtain a recommendation for advancement, they will not be eligible for endorsement unless granted a special exemption by the U.S. Paralympics Swimming High Performance Director.

ITO Recertification

2. For officials who attends the *World Para Level 4 TO Programme* and receives a recommendation for accreditation, the following requirements must be satisfied prior to applying for an endorsement when recertifying as an *World Para Level 4 ITO*:
 - a. Must have a current U.S. Paralympics Swimming Official's Level II certification
 - b. Must attend a minimum of two (2) Can-Am National Championship meets in the preceding thirty-six (36) months and subsequent to completing the IPC ITO course.

All applications from the IPC Swimming web site for the IPC ITO course should be forwarded to:

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