U.S. PARALYMPICS SWIMMING – REGIONAL OFFICIALS COORDINATOR

**Geographic Boundaries**
U.S. Paralympics Swimming will appoint four (4) Regional Officials Coordinators (ROC’s). There will be one (1) ROC for each of the Western, Eastern, Southern and Central regions.

The boundary division will be the same as the USA Swimming Zone boundaries to enable the ROC’s to align and work closely with both USA Swimming Zone and Local Swim Committee (LSC) Disability Chairs.

ROC’s will be appointed for a 12 month term, but there is no term limit should an official continue to be nominated and appointed over subsequent years. If no nominations are received for a zone, then the National Officials Coordinator may appoint an official to the ROC position.

**Selection Process**
The selection process for the ROC’s will be as follows:
- Regional Officials Coordinator Submission Forms will be distributed to all U.S. Paralympics Swimming Officials who are currently certified prior to December each year. Completed nomination forms must reach the U.S. Paralympics Swimming National Officials Coordinator by the date specified each year.
- Nominations can be submitted by any U.S. Paralympics Official who is currently certified. No self-nominations will be accepted.
In the regions where multiple candidate names are submitted, ballots will be distributed to all U.S. Paralympics Swimming Officials who are currently certified.

- Ballots will be counted after the closing date published on the ballot.
- In the case of a tied vote, U.S. Paralympics Swimming will have the deciding vote.

**Roles and Responsibilities**

1. Responsible for recruiting and retaining high caliber USA Swimming, YMCA and NCAA certified swimming officials into U.S. Paralympics Swimming.

2. Monitor and communicate with certified U.S. Paralympics Swimming officials in the region in advance of their certification expiring to ensure they are aware of the need and the process required to ensure their certification remains current.

3. Recruit local officials to volunteer at National and U.S. Paralympics Swimming sponsored meets held within the USA.

4. Nominate officials for consideration by U.S. Paralympics Swimming for National and Regional meet referee assignments.

5. Forward contact details for officials in the region who wish to be added to the U.S. Paralympics Swimming Officials Newsletter distribution list.

6. Liaise with and assist USA Swimming Zone and LSC Disability Chairs with education and inclusion of swimmers with a disability within USA Swimming.

7. Continually review the U.S. Paralympics Swimming’s official’s education and self-evaluation tools, and suggest upgrades and changes as required.

8. Able to earn and keep the respect of fellow U.S. Paralympics Swimming Officials for both being a leader and a communicator who can recruit and retain U.S. Paralympics Swimming Officials.

9. Attend quarterly conference calls arranged by the U. S. Paralympics Swimming National Officials Coordinator with the U.S. Paralympics Swimming National Officials to ensure all regions are aligned and consistent in the approach and communication with officials.

10. Report all official contact to the National Officials Coordinator each quarter on the contact log provided.

11. Report to and perform duties as assigned by the U.S. Paralympics Swimming National Officials Coordinator and/or the U.S. Paralympics Swimming High Performance staff.