

Equipment List for WHALe Home Meets

- ◆ Lane Ropes—15 Meters marked from each end—can be change in color or bicycle tape works fine.
- ◆ Back Stroke Flags
- ◆ Concessions Tables
- ◆ Ice Chests and serving pieces for concessions.
- ◆ Sports Water Cooler and cups - to make sure swimmers stay hydrated.
- ◆ Scoring Tables, Scoring Sheets, Pencils, chairs
- ◆ Black Sharpies for marking swimmer numbers on hands
- ◆ Colored Pen or Highlighter for Referee to mark disqualifications on timing slips.
- ◆ Ribbon Tables, Ribbons, Baskets or bins to hold/organize and store ribbons, Pens, Chairs
- ◆ Timing Chairs - plastic or folding chairs for timers - 3 per pool lane
- ◆ Stop Watches - ((12 when you are the visiting team) I believe - visiting teams will have 2 swimmers in even lane and 1 swimmer in odd)
- ◆ Clip Boards and Pencils (can be attached on strings) – One for each timer that is recording the score – one per lane. AND one for Starter.
- ◆ Timing Slips
- ◆ Penalty Flags for stroke and turn judges – 6
- ◆ Some teams like to supply vivid colored ventilated construction crew vests to help make judges visible – also optional.
- ◆ Whistle for Referee
- ◆ Electronic Starting System with light and starting buzzer. (The visiting team might be asked to bring theirs). Some teams have a satellite speaker for improved sound.
- ◆ Flip Chart – Optional but handy for timers and spectators– Laminated Flip Cards attached with rings to PVC stand, stating Event, Event Number, Gender, Stroke and Heat.
- ◆ Announcing system - usually the starting system has a speaker and microphone attached so the starter can announce the events and heat and signal swimmers to be ready.
- ◆ Kick boards (similar to surfing boogie boards but smaller) are often used as cushion for Backstroke swimmers coming into the wall with the younger age groups, if your pool does not have padded edge guards for such events (so swimmers don't bump the back of their heads).
- ◆ Sun canopies and ground tarps would be great but can often be supplied by parents until team accumulates
- ◆ Towels - one for each end of each lane at HS pools - to keep kids from slipping on pool edge when starting.
- ◆ First Aid Kit
- ◆ Trash Cans & Trash Can Liners
- ◆ Duck Tape, Rope and Scissors

- ◆ Pace Clock and dry erase board would be useful for practices
- ◆ Spare goggles!

- ◆ League Rep should have "Report of Occurrence Form" and list of certified judges at each meet.
- ◆ Lifeguard should be on the stand at all times.
- ◆ Please empty trash and stock the bathrooms.
- ◆ Know where the lane rope wrench is.

Note: The home team supplies all meet volunteers with water at no charge. Generally bottled water is preferred and is passed out and refreshed at regular/generous intervals.