E M S O A EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS SWIMMING OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION 2003-2004 Season

To: Eastern Massachusetts Swimming Officials

From: Rob Garon

Subject: 2003-2004 Registration and Mandatory Meetings

Any individual expecting to officiate interscholastic and/or intercollegiate swim meets during the 2003-2004 academic year should be a member of the Eastern Massachusetts Swimming Officials Association prior to the start of competition in September 2003.

This registration renewal /application will be the only opportunity to renew or join for the upcoming year. which includes both fall and winter high school seasons as well as college competition.

Individuals attempting to officiate without being recognized as a certified member of a professional officials association may incur a serious liability circumstance involving proof of competence and of course they would not be covered under our officials liability insurance plan. (Included with receipt of your registration fee). Reminder for those who are involved, U.S. Swimming liability insurance does not cover recreational league, interscholastic, or intercollegiate events. Current enrollment in the Collegiate Swimming Officials Association does not include liability insurance.

The enclosed Registration form must be filled out completely and returned with a check for \$49.00 made out to "E.M.S.O.A." by Friday June 27th. 2003.

All officials are <u>REOUIRED</u> to attend one mandatory professional meeting in the fall, prior to the start of swimming competition. Attendance at these meetings provides confirmation of participation as an active member of a professional association. As usual, discussions at these meetings will focus on any rule changes in order to provide uniform interpretation of rules and consistent officiating.

All necessary rule books, informational materials, and paperwork required for the 2003/2004 competitive season will be provided at the following meetings(it is only necessary to attend one of these meetings):

DATE	PLACE	LOCATION	TIME
Wednesday September 3, 2003	Lincoln-Hancock School	Quincy	7:00pm
Thursday September 4, 2003	Medford High School	Medford	7:00pm

LATE REGISTRATION

E.M.S.O.A. is attempting to minimize extra effort required to register officials on an individual basis after the requested renewal date. Following the convention now in effect by other officiating boards, there will be an additional charge of \$20.00 to process registrations received after Friday June 27, 2003.

Due to increased distribution of the EMSOA membership list, we will no longer publish Social Security Numbers. In the event a paying agency has a question relative to Social Security Numbers, they can contact officials directly.

Please indicate your E-Mail address on the registration form you are returning.

The EMSOA website may be found at the following URL: http://www.geocities.com/emsoa/