

ARE YOU THE ANNOUNCER?

- ROLE OF THE ANNOUNCER
 - INFORM – PART OF THE OFFICIAL PROCESS
 - EDUCATE – SHORT INFORMATIVE DESCRIPTION OF WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN, WHAT IS HAPPENING, WHAT JUST HAPPENED.
 - ENTERTAIN. ALWAYS THE LAST THING ON THE LIST OF THINGS TO DO AS IT IS THE FIELD OF PLAY THAT IS MOST IMPORTANT.

- BE AWARE OF WHO THE REFEREE IS
 - MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE MINDFUL OF ANY COMMUNICATION FROM THE REFEREE DURING THE EVENT.
 - LOOK AND LISTEN WHEN ANNOUNCING THE NEXT DIVER TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL IS OKAY WITH THE PREVIOUS DIVER AND THE SCORES BEING READ
 - THE RHYTHM OF THE COMPETITION IS INFLUENCED BY THE REFEREE –
 - DON'T' DRAW ATTENTION TO THE JUDGES OR THEIR SCORES IN ANY MANNER OTHER THAN TO ANNOUNCE THE POSTED AWARDS
 - BE CONSISTENT IN HOW YOU ANNOUNCE – SAME SPEED, SAME INFLECTION, SAME LEVEL OF EXCITEMENT.
- IT'S ABOUT THE DIVERS
 - HOW CAN YOU HELP FACILITATE A COMPETITION?
 - DIVING IS A SPORT THAT REQUIRES AN ANNOUNCER AS PART OF THE OFFICIAL PROCESS
 - PART OF THE SHOW BUT NOT THE SHOW
 - THE EVENT REFEREE IS YOUR FRIEND
 - GET IT RIGHT, BE EFFICIENT, BE HUMBLE, BE ENERGETICDEVELOP A STYLE THAT IS PROFESSIONAL AND ENGAGING
- HAVE ENERGY IN YOUR VOICE. BE A RESPECTFUL FAN OF THE SPORT. IT'S OK TO BE EXCITED ABOUT SCORES OF 8.5, 9 AND TENS

- UNDERSTAND THE RULES – FOR EXAMPLE
 - A. WHEN A BALK IS DECLARED BY THE REFEREE – WHAT IS DONE – EXPLAIN PROCESS
 - B. IF A DIVER MAKES A REQUEST FOR A RE DIVE
 - C. IF A DIVER IS QUESTIONING THE DIVE THAT IS LISTED
 - WHAT THE PROCESS IS FOR THE REFEREE TO DETERMINE WHAT DIVE THE DIVER WILL PERFORM
 - NEVER MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT A DIVE SITUATION WITHOUT CLARITY FROM THE REFEREE.
- WHEN THERE IS A DELAY, THE DIVER AND DIVE SHOULD BE RE ANNOUNCED.
PREPARE TO DO SO BUT AWAIT CONFIRMATION FROM THE REFEREE.

The Announcer should have a good understanding of dive numbers and a quick-paced unbiased delivery unbiased patience!

Check with team reps for proper pronunciation of any difficult names.

Announce Boards are closed and this is the end of warm up.

Judges please take your positions

Announce Dive order – Unless it is obviously posted on video boards or screens

Ask Judges to hold up their score cards (if manual scoring)

Ensure you have the right judges order and you can clearly see all score cards

Announce what is at stake in the event.

i.e. this is the women's 3 m prelim. The top 18 athletes will advance to the semi finals.

i.e. This is the Boys B Jr. National Finals. Medals will be presented at the end of the competition the top 12 athletes will receive an award and the top 3 will be the medalists for this event.

Good luck to all of our competitors

“We now turn the event over to our referee”. Who blows their whistle “Toot – Toot” and signifies everything is ready to begin. Watch for first diver is at their position on the board, take cue from referee to announce first diver.

On referee whistle announce

- Round one
- Diver Full Name representing (club or country)
- Performing a (dive number)
- (dive description if available)

Diver completes their dive - watch Referee for an indication of problem with the dive. If no immediate indication, Announce Judges awards and wait for ALL scores to be visible before reading the scores.

Read with clarity and confidence in the order which has been predesigned by referee.

Read scores at a smooth consistent pace. At this time everyone is listening for the scores. Judges to hear if their scores has been interpreted correctly, referee is watching/matching scores, shadow is writing, score table is entering, parents are recording, internet viewers are monitoring.

Repeat to end of First round.

Second round

Announce Diver first name

Dive Number

Scores

Referee may ask for announcer to repeat the dive number and position.

Announce scores from Judges in consistent order throughout the entire meet.

Make sure table workers have recorded scores accurately before announcing next diver. Be aware of any technical difficulties.

If the Referee indicates a problem, repeat any instructions so all Judges and table workers are aware of Referee's ruling.

If Referee indicates a balk or a failed dive announce this ruling.

Failed dive. Referee has indicated a failed dive. A score of ZERO will be entered.

Balk. Referee has indicated a Balk has been declared. A Two points penalty per judge will be deducted from the computer scoring. The judges awards are... read scores as posted by the judges.

Re dive: The referee has awarded a re dive. Once the athlete is repositioned we will announce the dive. Announce diver and dive number. Read scores.

POST EVENT

- THANK OFFICIALS
- THANKS SCORE TABLE
- THANK VOLUNTEERS
- ANNOUNCE NEXT EVENT START TIME ONCE CONFIRMED WITH MEET MANAGER
- SPONSOR READS
- PREPARE FOR NEXT EVENT
- GET START LISTS
- LEARN NAMES AND CLUBS/COUNTRIES

ANNOUNCER SUMMARY SHEET

- Learn the divers' names.
- Reminders to Announce: 10 minute remaining warning
- Diver order
- Boards Closed
- Judges take positions
- Turn event over to referee
- First Round: First & Last Name, Club (country) Dive Number and position, Dive Description
- All Middle Rounds: First Name, Dive Number and position
- Final Round: First Name, Last Name, Team Name, Dive Number and position, Dive Description
- Announce what Round you're on: "Beginning the nth round of diving..."
- "Judges Awards" $\frac{1}{2}$ = "one half"
- " All scores the same = "Across the board"
- Balk – "A balk has been declared", 2 penalty points deducted from the computer scoring
- Make sure your table is keeping up with you!

To see some International diving

Go here to see World Series 3M event

<http://www.eurovisionsports.tv/fina/diving/>

World Series 3m Medal Ceremony

<http://www.eurovisionsports.tv/fina/diving/>

PA ANNOUNCERS

- BEING A PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCER IS NOT LIKE TALKING TO ANOTHER PERSON, OR EVEN LIKE BEING A RADIO ANNOUNCER.
- THE BASICS OF PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCING IS TO DELIVER INFORMATION TO PEOPLE ATTENDING AN EVENT TO HELP THEM UNDERSTAND WHAT IS HAPPENING OR TO DESCRIBE AN EVENT OR PERSON, MAKING THE EVENT MORE ENJOYABLE.
- THE FIRST STEP IN BEING A GREAT ANNOUNCER IS SPEAKING SLOWER THAN YOU DO IN NORMAL CONVERSATION. OVER A PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM SPEAKING IN NORMAL CONVERSATIONAL SPEED MAY SOUND LIKE, "GOODEVENINGLADIESANDGENTLEMEN", INSTEAD OF "GOOD EVENING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN".
 - NUMBER 1 VOICE LESSON, SLOW DOWN THE SPEED OF YOUR TALKING

- SLOW DOWN
- PROJECT
- CONTROL YOUR BREATH. START FROM THE STOMACH
- PREPARE FOR THAT FIRST WORD/SOUND SO YOU DON'T PUSH, SHOUT OR BLAST
- PRACTICE THE NAMES AHEAD OF TIME.
- KNOW THE RULES OF THE SPORT. NEVER SECOND GUESS REFEREE.
- BE SURE OF THE STATEMENTS YOU MAKE. IF NOT SURE, DON'T MAKE THE STATEMENT
- SET THE TONE
- ESTABLISH THE PACE
- BE YOURSELF
- IT'S NOT RADIO OR PLAY BY PLAY

SAMPLE EVENT PROTOCOL SCRIPT

11:40:25	0:01:00	Event Protocol Begins	Ladies and Gentlemen welcome to the Girls B 3 Metre Finals
11:41:25	0:00:15		Please welcome the athletes for the competition.
11:41:40	0:00:15		I will announce the dive order for this event
11:41:55	0:02:00		continue to end of start list
11:43:55	0:01:00		Introducing the officials for this session
11:44:55	0:00:05		We now turn our event over to the Referee
11:45:00	0:00:15	ZERO TIME	Our first diver (name) from (club) performing a (dive number and position) a (Dive description if time allows)

11:51:00	0:00:15	0:15:00	Ten Minute Call	Athletes and Coaches there are ten minutes remaining in this warm up period
11:51:15	0:03:15	0:14:45	Music Fill	
11:54:30	0:01:30	0:11:30	Sponsor video x3	<i>Tourism OUTAOUAIS, Le Droit, Radio Canada</i> <small>Tourism OUTAOUAIS, Le Droit, Radio Canada</small>
11:56:00	0:01:00	0:10:00	5 min call	There are 5 minutes remaining in the warm up period
11:57:00	0:01:00	0:09:00	Announcements	And Just a reminder that no flash photography is allowed during competition. Once again please take this time to turn off the flash functions on your camera's and mobile devices.
11:58:00	0:02:00	0:08:00	Music Fill	During the competition please remain quiet after you hear the referee's whistle
12:00:00	0:01:00	0:06:00	Sponsors	Local Sponsor reads
12:01:00	0:00:00	0:05:00	Music Fill	
12:01:00	0:00:00	0:05:00	Warm up is over	Athletes and coaches the Training and warm up period is now finished. Athletes please assemble in the marshalling area for march in and introductions
12:01:00	0:01:00	0:08:00	Crowd shots	
12:02:00	0:02:00	0:07:00	Music Fill	

12:04:00	0:00:15	0:05:00	Sport Protocol Begins	Ladies and Gentlemen welcome to the women's 3 m synchro
12:04:15	0:00:15	0:04:45		Please welcome the athletes and officials for the competition.
12:04:30	0:00:30	0:04:30	Camera on athletes march in	Athletes are introduced in the order in which they will be performing their dives.
12:05:00	0:01:30	0:04:00	Camera on athletes stationary	Representing Country... (continue to end of start list)
12:06:30	0:01:30	0:02:30	camera on officials	Introducing the officials for this session
12:08:00	0:00:45	0:01:45	Crowd shots	Crowd Interactions
12:08:45	0:00:15	0:01:15	Lead into Countdown video	Ladies and Gentlemen We would like to have you join us in the countdown to the start of the competition. Pay attention to the video screen and help us countdown to the start of the event.
12:09:00	0:00:00			
12:09:00	0:00:50	0:01:00	Countdown Video	
12:09:50	0:00:10	0:00:10		We now turn our event over to the Referee
12:10:00	0:00:15	0:00:00		
12:10:15	0:00:10			Our First diver representing (country) performing a (dive Number)
			Music up the moment diver hits the water	
12:10:25	0:00:10			Read Scores
			Music OFF at referee whistle	Next diver(s). Continue until end of round
				Results on Leader board after each round

Sample End of Event Script

This concludes the women's 3 metre
synchro

Thank you officials and thank you to all of
our volunteers

Congratulations to our medalists in this
event

Our next event will be the Men's 3 M finals
scheduled for 2 pm this afternoon

Athletes will have 30 minutes of warm up
Prior to introductions for the next event
first dive a schedule start
time of 2 PM

AWARDS CEREMONIES

- LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PLEASE WELCOME THE PRESENTERS AND THE MEDALIST (FINALIST) FOR THE (EVENT)
- PRESENTING THE AWARDS PLEASE WELCOME (READ BIO) NAME, TITLE
- THE BRONZE MEDAL WINNER WITH A SCORE OF (PTS.) FROM (CLUB) (NAME)
- THE SILVER MEDAL WITH A SCORE OF (PTS.) FROM (CLUB) (NAME)
- THE WINNER OF THE GOLD MEDAL, THE (EVENT) CHAMPION WITH A SCORE OF (PTS.) FROM (CLUB) (NAME)
- PHOTO OPPORTUNITY (MAYBE YOU ANNOUNCE FOR ATHLETES TO GATHER IN CLOSE)
- BACK FILL - “LADIES AND GENTLEMEN YOUR BRONZE SILVER AND GOLD MEDAL WINNERS IN THE (EVENT CATEGORY) EVENT NAME”
 - MEDAL WINNERS IN THE GIRLS B PLATFORM AT THE BC SUMMER PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN TO OUR PRESENTER (S) (NAME)