

Unit Swim Classification Record

This is the individual's swim classification as of this date. Any change in status after this date, i.e. non-swimmer to beginner or beginner to swimmer, would require a reclassification test by the Camp Aquatics Director.

SPECIAL NOTE: When swim tests are conducted away from camp or at the point of activity, the Aquatics Director shall at all times reserve the authority to review or retest all participants to ensure that standards have been maintained.

Troop Number _____ Date of Swim Test _____

Person Conducting Swim Test (please print)

Unit Leader Name (please print)

Tester's Qualification (i.e. BSA Lifeguard, etc.)

Unit Leader's Signature

Tester's Signature _____

Swim Classification (please check one)

	Non-swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer
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Swim Classification Requirements

The swim classification tests should be renewed annually. All persons participating in BSA aquatics are classified according to swimming ability. The swimmer's test demonstrates the minimum level of swimming ability for recreational and instructional activity in a confined body of water with a maximum 12-foot depth and with shallow water footing or a pool or pier edge always within 25 feet of the swimmer.

Swimmer's Test:

- Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming.
- Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes:
 Sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen or crawl
- Swim 25 yards using an easy resting back stroke.
- The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn.
- After completing the swim, rest by floating

Beginner's Test:

- Jump feet first into water over the head in depth then level off
- Swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply,
- Resume swimming as before, and return to starting place.

Units must choose one of the following options to administer the swim classification tests

Option A (at camp): The swim classification test is administered the first day of camp by the aquatics personnel.

Option B (at unit level with council-approved aquatics resource people):

The swim classification test done at a unit level should be conducted by one of the following council approved resource people: aquatics instructor, BSA; aquatics supervisor, BSA; BSA lifeguard; certified lifeguard; swimming instructor; or swim coach. See "**Unit Swim Classification Record**" in the "Forms" section.

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Troop Swimming at Camp: Troops may conduct their own swimming sessions, but the troop must provide two-deep leadership and their own BSA Lifeguard. Troops may sign up for swimming times at the Senior Patrol Leader meetings.