

USA Diving Judges' Evaluation Clinic Agenda

Objective

Provide divers and coaches with a deeper understanding of the judging process, including specific feedback by category, insight into scoring deductions, and actionable tips to improve performance and move up in competitive categories.

Sample 2-Hour Session Agenda

Designed for flexibility and maximum impact for the diving team's needs. Can be tailored to the coach's specific goals for having the neutral judge onsite.

Welcome & Clinician Introductions (10 minutes)

- Greet athletes and coaches
- Overview of clinic goals and session flow
- Clinicians share their national/international judging experience

Judging Overview & Education (20 minutes)

- How judging works: scoring ranges, criteria, consistency
- Dive category breakdown and expectations
- Common deductions (with examples)
- How to improve scores and advance in categories

Dive Review & Evaluation (60 minutes)

- Coaches select dives or run mock meet format
- Judge scores dives in real time and provides category-specific feedback:
- Scoring rationale
- Category movement insights
- Specific deductions and improvement tips

Coach & Diver Review (20 minutes)

- One-on-one or group debriefs
- Clarify feedback
- Q&A with the judge

Clinic Notes

- Format: Two-hour sessions (can schedule one or multiple sessions per day)
- Cost: \$40/diver/session (5-20 divers); inquire for small group pricing
- Contact Judges Commission member $\underline{\mathsf{Kim}\;\mathsf{Fain}}$ for more information or to set up a clinic