



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. Any changes to the chart are to be initialed and dated by the test administrator.

Unit: _____ Date of Testing: _____

Location of test: _____

Full Name (Print) <small>(Draw lines through blank spaces)</small>	Non-swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer

I attest to the validity of the preceding information as a certified aquatics person with the qualifications stated below. A copy of my certification is attached.

I understand that classifying an unqualified Scout as a swimmer, or beginner could endanger the health and safety of the individual and others.

NAME OF PERSON CONDUCTING TEST:

Print Name

Signature

QUALIFICATION: (circle one)
 Safe Swim Defense BSA Lifeguard
 Red Cross Lifeguard YMCA Lifeguard Other

DATE of CERTIFICATION:

UNIT LEADER:

Print Name

Signature



Swim Classification Record

Page 2

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.

Individual Scouts or Scouters that are unable to meet the standards of the Beginner's Test or who do not take the test shall be classified as a **Non-Swimmer**

*

*

*

Units may choose one of the following options to undertake 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 a council property by council-approved aquatics resource people):

At the option of the facility's Aquatics Directors, the individuals tested may be issued a Swim Certification Card, and the unit leadership provided a Report of the testing.

Option C (by unit leadership at an offsite swimming facility): The facility must be of sufficient size to administer the test and comply with the standards of *Safe Swim Defense*. The testing must be under the supervision of an adult, over the age of 21, who at the minimum has completed the Safe Swim Defense Course within the past two years, and can provide evidence of said completion. BSA, Red Cross or YMCA certified Life Guards may also administer the test. All standards of relating to YPT shall be followed. Following completion of the test, this form will be completed for retention by the unit (min. 2 yrs) and Certification Cards issued to the Scouts and Scouters. This record and the cards shall be approved by the signature of the unit leader.

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.