

## MOVING THE BULKHEAD

**Purpose:** Outline the policy and procedures for conducting a bulkhead move in the 50Meter competition pool

**Scope:** This policy applies to all UGA Recreational Sports employees in the area of Aquatics

**Policy:**

I. As necessary, Aquatics staff members will move the bulkhead to the 25yd race course position

**Procedure:**

- I. In preparation of moving the bulkhead:
  - a. Move lifeguard stands and Pal lifts
  - b. If applicable, move short course starting blocks
  - c. Remove ladders
  - d. Retrieve push handles from equipment closet, next to the Lifeguard Office
  - e. Place push handles in bulkhead
  - f. Retrieve lane line reels and short hooks
  - g. Loosen lane lines and detach from bulkhead
  - h. If necessary, remove lane lines from pool
  
- II. To move the bulkhead:
  - a. Retrieve air hose from pump room. Connect to bulkhead inflator, located next to the entrance of the pump room
  - b. Connect air hose to bulkhead
  - c. Ensure red air release valve is pointed towards the timing room (closed)
  - d. Turn on the bulkhead inflator by turning the handle from horizontal down to vertical
  - e. Monitor bulkhead until it has risen approximately 1 inch out of the water
  - f. Turn off bulkhead inflator
  - g. Remove air hose from bulkhead prior to moving
  - h. One staff member on each push handle, both pushing at an equal speed
  - i. Once bulkhead is at desired location, turn red air release valve to point towards the dive well (open)
  - j. Once bulkhead is deflated, place pins and bolts in desired holes
  - k. Tighten bolts as necessary

III. Post bulkhead move:

- a. Configure backstroke flags to the 25yd race course position
- b. Add 7 lane lines to the pool, connecting to the wall and the bulkhead in the desired position
- c. Tighten lane lines
- d. Replace lifeguard stands, ladders, and PAL lifts
- e. Detach air hose from bulkhead inflator, roll up and store for future use