

COUNTY SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND AGE-GROUP COMPETITION CONDITIONS

101 DATES AND VENUES

101.1 The county championships and age-group swimming competitions including disability competitions, shall be held, in accordance with ASA Laws and Regulations and ASA Technical Rules of Racing, annually on dates and at venues to be decided by the Management Board.

102 ELIGIBILITY

102.1 Entrants shall be eligible competitors and members of a club affiliated to the Hertfordshire ASA. Unless the entrant has never previously been a member of a club affiliated to any ASA Region, such membership shall be continuous from a date to be decided by the Management Board.

102.2 Any question of club membership shall be determined by reference to the records of the ASA registration scheme.

102.3 Anyone who competes in the competitions of another county swimming association shall not be eligible to compete in the Hertfordshire ASA competitions in the same year.

103 POOLS AND DISTANCES

103.1 The course shall be in still water not less than 25 metres in length. All competitions shall be swum over complete lengths of the pool.

103.2 The Management Board shall have the power to vary the distances to be swum if the pool to be used is not of an appropriate length for the standard distances mentioned below.

104 ENTRIES

104.1 The Management Board shall decide the entry fee annually, and all fees shall be payable at the time of entry.

104.2 Entries to be submitted, electronically, by the club representative. Entries must be received by the swimming manager, or his representative, by the specified closing date, which shall be at least twenty-one days before the date of the competition.

104.3 Submitted entry times must be achieved at a licensed swimming competition within the published qualifying period, and appear on British Swimming Rankings.

104.4 Any swimmer entering the age-group competitions will be automatically entered into the county championships, and all swimmers under 16 years of age will also be entered into the junior county championships without any further fee.

104.5 For team events, the names, membership numbers, ages and entry times of each member of the team, in their order of competing must be submitted electronically to the swimming manager, or his representative, by the closing date.

104.6 The Management Board shall have the power to limit entries, on the basis of submitted times, in any individual age-group competition, where it considers that this will be to the benefit of the swimming age-group competitions as a whole.

105 AGE-GROUPS

105.1 Ages will be as at the 31st December in the year of competition.

105.2 The age-groups for the competitions:

Age-groups – 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15 years and 16 years and over

Junior county championships - Under 16 years of age

County championships –all qualifying swimmers

106 EVENTS

106.1 Individual events for the competitions shall be as follows:

Age-groups	Distance	Stroke
Male and Female 10/11 years,	50, 100, 200 and 400 metres	Freestyle
Female 12, 13, 14, 15, 16yrs and over	50, 100, 200, 400 and 800 metres	Freestyle
Male 12, 13, 14, 15, 16yrs and over	50, 100, 200, 400 and 1500 metres	Freestyle
All	50, 100 and 200 metres	Backstroke Breaststroke Butterfly
All	100 and 200 metres	Individual Medley
Male & Female 12, 13, 14, 15, 16yrs and over	400 metres	Individual Medley

106.2 Team events for the competitions shall be as follows:

Age-groups	Distance	Stroke
Male & Female 12/13	4 x 50 metres	Freestyle Team Medley Team

Junior Championships	Distance	Stroke
Male & Female under 16	4 x 50 metres	Freestyle Team Medley Team

Championships	Distance	Stroke
Male & Female Open	4 x 50 metres	Freestyle Team Medley Team

106.3 A club may enter a maximum of two teams in each championship and age-group event, but members can swim for one team only in each event.

106.4 Each team will consist of four members, and each member must be eligible to compete for his club in accordance with the conditions governing county competitions.

106.5 All team events will be decided on heat times. No final will be swum.

107 HEATS AND FINALS

107.1 In each individual event of the same stroke and distance, the competitors of all age-groups shall be listed on the programme in graduated time order, slowest first.

107.2 There will be a final for each age-group category in each of the 50 and 100 metre events. All individual event placings, in events in excess of 100 metres, will be decided on heat times. Championship and Junior Championship titles will be decided on age-group final times, where finals are swum, and heat times where no finals are swum. No championship finals will be swum.

107.3 A maximum of ten swimmers will be called for each of the age-group finals, made up of the top eight swimmers and two reserves in that age-group.

108 AWARDS

108.1 The Management Board will determine annually the awards to be made to the winner of each competition and such other awards as it considers appropriate.

109 OTHER MATTERS

109.1 Any competitor failing to comply with any of the conditions will be disqualified and forfeit any fee paid.

109.2 The Management Board will deal with any dispute, question or other matter not provided for in these conditions.

The results of each year's events, and the competition's best recorded times will be published on the website.

AGGREGATE POINTS TROPHIES

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Two trophies, one each for female and male, will be awarded annually to the clubs which gain the most points in the swimming championships.

AGE-GROUP COMPETITIONS

Two trophies, one each for female and male, will be awarded annually to the clubs which gain the most points in the swimming age-group competitions.

OVERALL TROPHY

A trophy will be awarded annually to the club which gains the highest total of aggregate points in the swimming championships (female and male) and the age-group competitions (female and male).

Each year, the winner of the trophies will be published on the website.