

Yorkshire Swimming Association Championships Conditions 2015

The organization of the Swimming Championships will be in the hands of the Yorkshire Swimming Associations Management Board with powers delegated to Swimming and Championship Secretaries.

The Championships will be held under the relevant FINA Technical and ASA Judicial Rules/Laws.

1.(a) The Championships will be open to all ASA Registered members of Clubs affiliated to the Yorkshire Swimming Association and where required the relevant Entry Time. If a competitor is a member of more than one affiliated club then the club he names on his first entry form of the year will be his declared club for those championships. For the purpose of this rule, Swimming, Diving, Synchronized Swimming and Water Polo will be considered separately.

(b) For age group purposes a swimmer's age is their age as on the last date of the series of the Championships. For 2015 this will be 22nd February 2015.

(c) Age groups are Boy 9/10,11,12,13,14,15/16 and 17& over and Girls 9/10,11,12,13,14/15 and 16 & over.

(d) The availability of events for each age group and the order of swimming will be published annually.

2. (a) Championship entries must be made by the relevant Club Official using the Sportsystems Entry Manager available to download from the Web Site www.sportsys.co.uk . The entry file is available on the Yorkshire Web site. When completed it should be emailed to championships@yorkshireswimming.org , Entry Fees whether paid by BACS or Cheque, must be received by the Association no later than the published closing date for the event.

(b) The entry fees will be set annually by the Yorkshire S.A. Management Board. 2015:
Individual Entry: £5.00. Team Entry: £15.00.

(c) The Championship Secretary has the authority to adjust the number of entries accepted to ensure the smooth running of the Championships by rejecting those closest to the minimum entry standard set.

(d) Submitted entry times will be used for seeding and rejection purposes where necessary.

(e) When the Championships take place in a 10 lane pool all lanes will be used for both heats and finals.

3. (a) Standard Entry Times (SET) will be fixed annually for all individual events. A swimmer's Entry Time must have been achieved between 9th January 2014 and 9th January 2015.

All times for 10yrs/over used for entry into the Championships must be extracted from British Swimming Rankings by using the Entry File provided. 9 year old swimmers who have no times on the Ranking system must have their entry times verified from a result sheet or ratified by a Club Official and entered on the entry file with a letter Y.

If a swimmer has not got an 800/1500 F/S time on the Rankings we will accept times that can be ratified by a club official. For these entries and also the 9 year old events enter with a letter Y and submit the times by email with the entry file to the Yorkshire Championship Secretary.

Times will automatically be converted to long course. The Club Official doing the entries will be unable to alter these times. If in doubt contact the Championship Secretary championships@yorkshireswimming.org

(b) No Entry cards will be used in this gala. If a swimmer/team is not going to swim in a heat they must inform the Recorders of their intention to withdraw no later than 60 minutes before the published start time of the session by completing the relevant withdrawal form. Seeded Heat Start lists will be produced approx 30 minutes before the published start time of the session. Finalists including reserves who intend to withdraw must inform the Recorders no later than 30 minutes after the heat result has been published.

(c) TROPHY/MEDAL/PENNANT ALLOCATION

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Boys 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14yrs and Girls 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13yrs, receive a small commemorative trophy for first place, Silver medal for second and Bronze medal for third place. Pennants will be presented to swimmers placed 4-10 in these age groups only.

Boys 15/16 and Girls 14/15, will receive a commemorative plaque for first place, Silver medal for second and a Bronze medal for third place.

Boys 17+ and Girls 16+, receive a commemorative plaque for first place, Silver medal for second and a Bronze medal for third place.

TEAM EVENTS

Medals awarded to places 1-3 and Pennants to places 4-10

4. (a) In all Team Championships Clubs may enter more than one team in an event. An individual swimmer may only swim for one team in a particular event. Where more than one team is from one particular club and competes in the same event then swimmers cannot interchange between teams in that event. Swimmers can enter in their own age group event plus the Open event.

(b) Each competing Club will submit a list of the names of its swimmers in each team in swim order to the Recorders no later than 30 minutes prior to the start time of the session in which the event takes place. If the individuals or swim order is changed for a final an amended list of swimmers will be submitted prior to the start of the final. An team member must have been an ASA Registered member of the club for a minimum of 60 days prior to the day of the event and may only swim for one team in a particular event.

(c) At any Championships gala, there will be not less than 15 minutes interval between the last heat of any particular event and the final of that event. After the heats, when there are two or more swimmers from different heats with the same time for reserve place, there will be no reserve declared for that final.

(d) Time Trials are not allowed.

5. (a) Team staff requiring access to the poolside must be in possession of a Pass issued by the Yorkshire S.A. These may be obtained from the Championship Secretary. 2015 Fee: £20. Which covers all Championship Galas. It is important that we know the names of each member who is issued with a poolside pass. Each person must sign in separately at each of the venues on the day of competition. If the person is different at each session then we must be notified of this.

Coaches passes must be on display at all times.

It is expected that all Team Staff can comply with the relevant ASA Child Procedures as stated in Wave Power and have attended a Team Managers Course.

Yorkshire Swimming Association will NOT be responsible for any unaccompanied swimmers on the poolside. The responsibility falls on the club entering the swimmer.

6.(a) It is the intention of the Yorkshire Swimming Association to provide a Warm-up /Swim-down facility at each of its Championships. These will be supervised by facility staff /warm-up marshals. Swimmers using these facilities must follow any instructions issued by these supervisors. Clubs through their coaches /team managers will be held accountable for the behavior /actions of their swimmers using these facilities.

(b) Photography – The rules and standing operating procedures (SOPs) of the facility where the Championships are being held must be observed and anyone wishing to use photographic equipment (including still, video, digital and mobile phone cameras) at any Championships Meet will be required to sign the ASA Video/Photography Book.

7. (a) The Yorkshire S.A. Board / Swimming Committee has the power to vary the Championship Conditions prior to an event closing date.

Supplementary Conditions (Disability Swimming)

All Para-Swimmers will compete under IPC Technical Rules

The general conditions for the Championships will apply to the Multi-Disability Swimming events except where varied by any of the following conditions:

Eligibility

- All competitors must have an authorized British Swimming or IPC Swimming classification, which is held on the British Swimming or IPC Swimming classification database at the time of entry.
- All competitors must be registered as members of a swimming club affiliated to the Amateur Swimming Association (ASA) Scottish ASA (SASA) or Welsh ASA (WASA) at the time of entry.
- Disabled competitors will compete in their own age group as listed in Championship Conditions.
- Medals: Medals will be awarded to the top three British Disability Point scorers in each event, irrespective of age. Medals will be awarded during the relevant session that the event has taken place. The minus one rule will apply. Where only one swimmer is entered in an event they must swim faster than their entry time to receive a medal.
- Swimmers with a current Disability Classification should include the classification in the entry file. If their Ranking Times are outside the Entry Time they should enter the letter Y in the time column. Only Ranked times, achieved in any pool length, will be accepted.