

Yorkshire SA - Winter Competition 2021 – FAQ

New (2021) questions or substantially updated answers are indicated/highlighted in italics

Q - What is the cost of an individual entry?

A - £5.00. Further information can be found on www.yorkshireswimming.org.

Q - Can/Do I need to purchase spectator tickets in advance?

A – *Admission of spectators may depend on COVID-19 procedures, venue policy, etc.*

If the venue requires/enforces a spectator capacity restriction it may be necessary to restructure the sessions on each day but events will not be moved between days.

More information for spectators will be advised nearer the time.

Q - How do I know if you have received my Club's entry?

A - An 'Entryviewer' page is available from the online entries site. A link to online entries can be found on <http://www.yorkshireswimming.org/Speed%20Swimming/default.html>.

Q - How do I purchase a coach(es) pass?

Q - Are poolside passes from Festival of Swimming valid for the Winter Competition of the same year?

A – Coaches/poolside passes from the Festival of Swimming 2021 are not valid for the Winter Competition. Please order poolside passes for the Winter Competition from the online entries site link on <http://www.yorkshireswimming.org/Speed%20Swimming/default.html>. Please select the number of passes you require from a drop-down list at the bottom of 'Instructions for Payment' page, after you have confirmed the swims your Club are entering. Payment is by PayPal.

Q - Please can you explain the reason for the age cut-off date for this competition?

Q - Why is the age cut-off date for the Winter Competition different from the age cut-off date from other competitions/the Yorkshire Championships?

A - The Yorkshire SA Championships are age at 31st December each year. The Winter Competitions are not Championships and use 'Age on last day of competition', i.e. the second weekend - so no swimmer misses the chance to swim, from the Swim England licensing conditions for the meet.

Q - Is the competition open to swimmers who are not a member of a Yorkshire SA club?

A - The competition is open to members of Yorkshire SA clubs only. A list of Yorkshire SA clubs can be found in the Annual Handbook.

Q - Can swimmers enter using 'time trial' entry times?

A - This is a licenced, level 2 meet. Only times from British swimming rankings can be used to enter.

Q - Can Level X times be used to enter?

A – *Level X times are registered in British swimming rankings and can be used to enter. The 'Online entries' system will choose the fastest time (including converted LC times) from any level meet, including Level X, going back to 1 Sept 2019 for each swimmer.*

Q - Can we enter a swimmer whose membership form has been sent to Swim England but we don't have a membership number yet?

A - Please contact Swim England - Membership Services to expedite the registration process. If a swimmer does not have any times in Rankings they will not be able to enter the Winter Competition.

Q - I've discovered some entries/new swimmer(s) that I forgot to include in the entry I have already sent - can you accept them?

A - As long as the Closing Date has not passed please go to the online entries site and add any additional/missed swims or new swimmers and make the extra payment via PayPal.

Q - Can I change the entry times as the swimmers have improved their ranked times for events I've already entered them for?

A – You will not be able to update swims using the online entries site. If you expect a swimmer to improve their entry time before the Closing Date, enter them after the improved time is available on Rankings as a new swimmer/swims - see new swimmer in FAQ above. See also FAQ below.

Q - A swimmer's time is not available on Rankings - how can I enter them?

A - Please contact British swimming rankings, and/or the Club that held the competition, to arrange to have the time added to Rankings. Only swimmers with a qualifying time on British swimming rankings database by the Closing Date can enter the Competition. No entries can be accepted after the Closing Date and no exceptions for missing Ranked times can be made. See also next FAQ.

Q - Can you enter a swimmer manually for me?

A - I'm sorry, I am unable to enter swimmers on behalf of your club. Please contact British swimming rankings, and/or the Club that held the competition, to arrange to have any missing times added to Rankings. Entries are accepted only from the online entries system. See also preceding FAQ (above).

Q - Can I check my swimmer's/Club's entries?

A –Go to the online entries site link on <http://www.yorkshireswimming.org/Speed%20Swimming/default.html> where there is a link to 'Entryviewer' page.

Q - My swimmer has potential place on a British Swimming camp which clashes with the Competition. Can I receive a refund if he/she is offered a place?

A - Please contact Yorkshire SA Swimming Committee/Competition Manager for an individual decision on your specific circumstances.

Q - Can a Para swimmer (with an IPC classification) enter the Winter Competition?

A - The Yorkshire SA Winter Competition is an open meet promoted by the County. All swimmers, including Para swimmers, must meet the minimum qualifying time standards in order to enter the meet. There is no separate provision for Para swimmers. North-East Region Para-Swimming will publish Para competitions and championships at this link ...

<http://asaner.org.uk/welcome-to-disability-swimming-in-the-north-east/disability-swimming-championship-information/>.

Q - A swimmer has been missed off from the Draft Programme/Session Start List.

A - Please check with your Club that the swimmer's entry was submitted. If the entry was not included in your club's submitted entries you will not be able to swim the event. If the entry was included, please ask your Club Entry Sec. to contact entries@yorkshireswimming.org.

Q - A swimmer is ill/injured and won't be able to attend - can we receive a refund?

A - We require a letter/exemption note from your swimmer's Doctor/Specialist for this to be granted.