

## Event Conditions

### 1. General Conditions

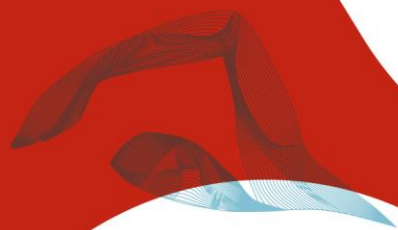
- a. The Swimming Leadership Group (“the Group”) reserves full powers over the Swim England National Winter Championships (25m), including but not limited to cancelling, postponing or changing the Championships venue and/or format due to reasons beyond its reasonable control.
- b. The Championships shall be held under Swim England Regulations and FINA Technical Rules of Swimming.
- c. Entries may only be accepted from competitors registered as members of Swim England, Scottish Swimming or Swim Wales (‘British Competitors’) or competitors from one of the countries affiliated to FINA (‘Overseas Competitors’). British Competitors and Overseas Competitors shall be collectively referred to as ‘Competitors’. Where required to do so, competitors shall present their passport for age verification to the National Entries Administrator (‘The Administrator’), or other authorised person, not later than 15:00 hours on the day before the Championships begin.
- d. A British Competitor must be a registered member of the club in whose name he/she is entered, at the date of making the initial entry. This club must be offered by the online entry system for British Competitors. Competitors may enter in the name of one club only.
- e. Junior competitors will be born in the year 2005 or later.
- f. Ages at midnight on the 31 December 2021.

### 2. The Events

- a. Individual events:  
50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m (Female) and 1500m Freestyle (Male),  
50m, 100m and 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly  
100, 200m and 400m Individual Medley

### 3. Entries

- a. Entries shall be received by the Administrator by no later than the ‘closing date’ i.e. 12 noon on Thursday 25 November 2021, accompanied by the appropriate entry fee. (Individual £12.50).
- b. Subject to space being available within the heat sessions, those who fail to enter before this ‘closing date’, but still wish to compete will be allowed to submit ‘late entries’ until the end of the Team Leader meeting to be held on the evening of Thursday 2 December 2021, (time to be notified in the Confirmation Pack) for which the accompanying entry fee will be twice that of the initial entry fee (Individual £25).



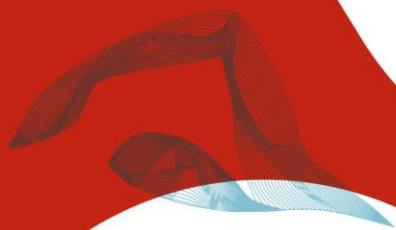
- c. All entrants must have equaled or bettered the qualifying times. All individual times from Swim England, Scottish Swimming and Swim Wales entrants must be recorded in the British Rankings from Swimming Competitions designated or licensed at Levels 1 – 3 since 1 September 2019.
- d. Converted times will be accepted.
- e. Split Times, either intermediate distance or first leg of a relay race, are not acceptable for entry.
- f. Overseas Competitors must submit entry times that are recorded in the FINA Rankings or in official meet results from a National Governing Body sanctioned competition and be achieved since 1 September 2019.

#### 4. Administration

- a. Coaches, team managers and chaperones will be required to obtain a poolside accreditation pass by means of an online application in advance of the closing date. Coaches, team managers and chaperones must print their own pass.
- b. Competitors must print their own accreditation. A link will be provided in the email sent to them confirming acceptance of their entry. Overseas Competitors will be required to supply a suitable photograph.
- c. Admission to the pool will only be allowed with a valid accreditation.
- d. Should a competitor withdraw from all events they have entered then their accreditation will become invalid and entry to the athlete areas will not be permitted.
- e. A charge will be levied for lost, mislaid or forgotten passes.

#### 5. Meet Procedure

- a. All individual events shall have heats and Open & Junior Finals, with the exception of the Men's 1500m & Women's 800m Freestyle which shall be Heat Declared Winner events, with the Fastest Heat being competed in the appropriate Finals Session.
- b. Heats shall be seeded in accordance with FINA rules.
- c. The fastest ten Competitors from the heats, irrespective of age, shall be allocated places in the Open Final. There will be two reserves declared for the Open Final.
- d. The next fastest ten Competitors, aged 16 or younger, shall be allocated places in the Junior Final. There will be two reserves declared for the Junior Final.
- e. Only two Overseas Competitors may progress to the Open Final.
- f. Competitors whose entries have been accepted will be expected to swim unless they have complied with the withdrawal procedure.



## 6. Withdrawal from Heats

- a. Withdrawals must be made by the end of the Team Leader Meeting for day 1 swims and by 1pm on the day before for all subsequent days.

## 7. Withdrawal from Finals

- a. Finalists, not wishing to swim, shall notify the Chief Recorder of their intention to withdraw no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the last individual event in the Session in which they have qualified for the next round. The withdrawal shall be made on the official withdrawal form.

## 8. Call Room

- a. Competitors must report to the competition stewards in the Call Room for heats and finals and follow their direction. It is Competitors' responsibility to report in good time for their event.
- b. Finalists are required to report to the Call Room in sufficient time and be available to parade for their event. They must enter the Call Room 'race ready' as under normal circumstances having entered the Call Room they should remain in its confines until lead onto the pool deck for their race. Upon entry, Competitors must ensure that they report to a Steward and be registered as being present in the Call Room.
- c. Coaches, team managers and chaperones will not be allowed in the Call Room area during the finals at any time.

## 9. Medals

- a. Medals shall be awarded to the first, second and third placed British Competitors in each Open Final.
- b. Medals will also be awarded to the first, second and third placed British Junior Competitors, preference being given to placing recorded in the Open then Junior Finals.
- c. Commemorative Medals will be awarded to Overseas Competitors placed first, second or third in the Open Final. Medals will also be awarded to the first, second and third placed Overseas Junior Competitors, preference being given to placing recorded in the Open then Junior Finals.

## 10. Doping Control

- a. Competitors taking part in the Championships may be subject to random doping control sample collection.
- b. Competitors are required to bring and have with them at all times either a passport or other form of identity incorporating their photograph. Competitor accreditation will be acceptable.

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## 11. Team Leader Meeting

- a. It is a requirement for a representative from all clubs with Competitors entered in this Championships to attend the Team Leader Meeting, which will take place on the evening of 2 December 2021. The time and location will be notified in the Competitor Confirmation Pack.

## 12. Event Cancellation

- a. In the instance that the event is cancelled by the event Promoter:
  - i. Full refunds of entry fees to the Championships will be offered to all competitors.
  - ii. No refunds will be offered for any other expenses incurred in relation to the Championships.