

# **2017 Kent ASA Swimming Championships**

## **Incorporating Para-Swimming Multi Classification Inclusive events**

### **Conditions (License SE170171, SE170172, SE170173, SE170174)**

These conditions are to be read in conjunction with the Swimming Championship conditions as set out in the county handbook.

#### **1. General Conditions**

- 1.1. The Kent County ASA Swimming Committee reserves full powers over the Kent County ASA Championships.
- 1.2. The Competition shall be held under ASA Laws and Regulations and FINA Technical Rules of Swimming.
- 1.3. The championships will be run in a Long Course pool and Licensed at Level 1.
- 1.4. All the following conditions shall apply to the Para-Swimming Events except where varied by the Supplementary Para-Swimming Conditions and Entry Standards.
- 1.5. A competitor must be a ASA registered member of the club in whose name he is entered at the date of making the initial entry and remain so continuously until the championships in which the competitor is taking part have been completed.
- 1.6. Swimmers may only represent one club throughout the championships.
- 1.7. The age of each swimmer for individual events shall be as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.
- 1.8. A swimmer who has competed in swimming championships of another County/Region shall not be eligible to compete in the Kent Swimming Championships in the same calendar year.
- 1.9. Questions/queries regarding the championships should be directed in the first instance to the Promoter, Alan Davidson | [alan.davidson@kentswimming.org](mailto:alan.davidson@kentswimming.org).

## 2. Programme of Events

2.1. There will be separate events for males and females as outlined in 2.1.1.

### 2.1.1. Individual events

	10/11	12	13	14	15	16+
50 Fr	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
100 Fr	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
200 Fr	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
400 Fr	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
800/1500 Fr	No event	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50 Back	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
100 Back	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
200 Back	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50 Breast	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
100 Breast	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
200 Breast	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50 Fly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
100 Fly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
200 Fly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
200 IM	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
400 IM	No event	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

## 3. Meet Programme

3.1. The programme of events will be as shown in appendix 1.

## 4. Qualification

4.1. For all individual events automatic qualifying and consideration times will be set as shown in appendix 2.

4.2. All submitted times must have been achieved at events licensed at level 1, 2, 3 or 4 and/or be included in the rankings published by the ASA.

4.2.1. Converted short course times will be accepted providing they have been converted using ASA Equivalent Performance Tables<sup>1</sup>.

4.3. All entries by swimmers who have achieved the automatic qualifying time shall be accepted for that event.

4.4. The qualifying window will be 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016-10<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.swimmingresults.org/EqvtShare/>

4.5. Swimmers who enter and have not achieved the automatic time for an event, but have achieved the consideration will be accepted up to the following maximum numbers of swimmers per age group and event:

	10/11	12	13	14	15	16 <sup>2</sup>	17+
50m events	28	28	28	28	28	23	33
100m events	24	24	24	24	24	20	28
200m events	16	16	16	16	16	12	20
400m events	12	12	12	12	12	24	
800/1500m events	10	10	10	10	10	20	

4.5.1. Should there be an insufficient number of entries that have achieved the consideration time in any age group the unused number of spaces will be back filled from other age groups up to maximum number of entries across all age groups as outlined in condition 4.5.

4.5.2. Those swimmers who are closest to the automatic time shall be accepted first.

4.6. Notwithstanding conditions 4.5.1 and 4.5.2, in the interests of safety, to meet licensing conditions and to ensure the smooth running of the Championships, the promoter reserves the right to restrict the number of entries in any event, should the need arise, in which case, the swimmers with the fastest submitted times shall take precedence.

4.6.1. Rejected swimmers under this condition will receive a refund. Clubs will be notified as soon as possible after the closing date.

4.6.2. Should the need arise to hold the Kent County ASA Championships in a six lane pool the quotas per age group in 6 above will be reduced by 25%.

4.7. Kent County ASA reserves the right to validate times against the ranking published by the ASA and/or to ask for proof of entry time. Subsequent improved times will not be accepted after the closing date.

4.8. Clubs/Individuals that are found to have entered unsubstantiated entry times will be referred to the Swimming Committee and the meet promoter reserves the right to remove any awards or points that may have been awarded for the swim in question.

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<sup>2</sup> A separate 16 year old qualifying quota is being used in the 50m, 100m and 200m events for development purposes to ensure that sufficient 16 years qualify for the championship, albeit they will be competing in the 16+ age group.

## **5. Entries**

5.1. Closing Date for entries is Wednesday, 11th January 2017.

5.2. Entry must be made using Sports Systems Meet Manager software.

5.2.1. All entries must show the swimmer's date of birth and ASA registration number.

5.2.1.1. An entry file with event list and consideration times will be available to download from the county website, [www.kentswimming.org](http://www.kentswimming.org).

5.2.2. Entry into this competition implies acceptance that necessary data is stored electronically

5.3. The Entry Fee is £5.00 per individual event.

5.3.1. Entry will be made by the appropriate appointed club official. One club – one payment.

5.3.2. Payment should be made by bank transfer to the Kent ASA bank account at the time of entry.

5.4. Rejected swimmers will receive a refund via their Clubs. Clubs will be notified as soon as possible after the closing date and refunds issued.

5.5. Incorrect entries will not be refunded.

5.6. Individual entries will not be accepted.

## **6. Meet Procedure**

6.1. 50m and 100m events shall have heats and Age Group finals. The 200m, 400 IM, 400m and 800m/1500m, Freestyle will be HDW.

6.2. All 50m and 100m events will have an Open Final in addition to the age group finals.

6.2.1. All age groups will be combined for the purposes of the heats and be seeded slowest to fastest.

6.2.2. The last 3 heats of events with Finals will be cyclically seeded all other heats and HDW events spearheaded.

6.3. There will be 7 finals for the following age groups for 50m and 100m events: 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16+, and Open

6.3.1. The fastest eight competitors from the heats in each age group will be allocated a place in their respective age group final plus two reserves.

6.3.1.1. Age group placings will be determined by the result in the respective age group final.

6.3.1.2. The age group finals will also act as a semi-final for the open final.

6.3.2. The fastest eight competitors from the age group finals will be allocated a place in the open final plus two reserves.

6.3.2.1. Open placings will be determined by the result in the open final.

6.4. The fastest 3 heats of the 200m events will be swum separately within the same session (see event programme)

6.5. Withdrawal from any final is deemed as withdrawal from the event as a whole and any swimmer so doing will not be eligible for any award.

6.6. In the event of two or more swimmers tying for the final place(s) a swim off shall take place to decide who swims in the final.

- 6.7. All withdrawals must be made by the Team Leader by completing a withdrawal form.
- 6.7.1. Withdrawals from heats must be made at the latest 30 minutes before the start of the session. Failure to do so will result in a £10.00 fine payable by the appropriate club.
- 6.8. The names of finalists and reserves shall be announced as soon as practicable after completion of the heats.
- 6.9. Announced finalists and reserves not intending to swim shall withdraw by completing a withdrawal form, as soon as possible, and in any case no later than 10 minutes after the announcement or time determined by the promoter. All finalists who have not withdrawn, including reserves must present themselves for the final when requested.
- 6.9.1. If a finalist withdraws within the allotted time, the final shall be reseeded. Where a reserve is brought in after this period, the reserve shall occupy the vacant lane and there shall be no changes made to the allocation of other lanes.
- 6.10. Starts sheets will be posted and available poolside. It is the Team Leader/swimmer's responsibility to check the heat sheets to ensure that they have been accepted into the event.
- 6.11. 'Over the top starts' may be in operation where it is deemed necessary and practical.
- 6.12. Swimmers MUST NOT climb over the touch pads.
- 6.13. Warm up and cool down facilities will be made available where possible but not during the official warm up period.
- 6.14. Warm up marshals will be appointed and their instructions must be followed at all times.
- 6.15. Time trials will not be permitted during the Championships.

## **7. Medals, Trophies, Awards & Points**

- 7.1. Medals will be awarded to swimmers placed first to eighth in each age group.
- 7.2. Medals will be awarded to swimmers placed first, second and third in the open event final.
- 7.3. If a Trophy exists for an Open event, it will be awarded to the winner of the Open final or the swimmer achieving the fastest time in the case of HDW events.
- 7.4. If a Trophy exists for a junior event, it will be awarded to the fastest Junior in the Open final or the junior swimmer achieving the fastest time in the case of HDW events for ceremonial purposes only.
- 7.4.1. Should no junior reach the open final or junior(s) competing in the open final be disqualified the trophy will be awarded to the fastest junior across all age group finals once the times have been ranked.
- 7.4.2. No points will be accrued towards the club points trophies.

- 7.4.3. A junior swimmer is defined as being 16 years or under as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.
- 7.5. For development purposes Ceremonial Medals will be awarded to the fastest three 16 year old swimmers in the Open finals or the three 16 year old swimmers achieving the fastest times in the case of HDW events.
- 7.5.1. Should a 16 year old swimmer be disqualified in the Open final they will be relegated to the position of the slowest 16 year old in the final
- 7.5.2. Should less than three 16 year old reach the open final the remaining places will be decided based on the heat rankings.
- 7.5.3. There will not be a separate 16 year old final.
- 7.5.4. No points will be accrued towards the club points trophies.
- 7.6. The Mick Geer Salver will be presented on the last day of individual championships to the swimmer who has achieved the highest FINA points in an individual swim.
- 7.7. Points for the top Boy's Age Group Club and top Girl's Age Group Club will be based on a points system whereby, in each age group, 1st place is awarded 8 points down to 8th place who is awarded 1 point for all age group individual events only.
- 7.7.1. The age groups that will score points are: 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16+
- 7.7.2. Results and points scored in open, Junior and 16 year age group individual events will not contribute towards the Age Group Points Trophies.

## **8. Coach Passes**

- 8.1. Coach passes are available at a cost of £5 each (to include admission and programme) A PASSPORT SIZED PHOTOGRAPH MUST BE PROVIDED electronically. Coaches must produce their passes to gain free admission and programme.
- 8.2. Coach passes will only be issued to club coaches and team managers following completion of the Coach Application form before the entry deadline.
- 8.3. It is a condition of issue that the passes MUST be worn on the poolside during Championships and Competitions.
- 8.4. A maximum of 4 coaches per club allowed poolside at any session (up to 20 swimmers), with an additional coach (1 per 10) for additional swimmers.
- 8.5. Coaches will be required to leave the poolside if passes are not worn.

## **Supplementary Para-Swimming Conditions and Entry Standards**

1. The conditions for the Kent County Swimming Championships shall apply to the Multi Classification Swimming events except where varied by any of the following conditions.
2. The Kent County Swimming Championships shall run the following multi classification inclusive events as part of the main Championships:
  - Freestyle 50m, 100m Classification 1 - 14
  - Freestyle 200m Classification 1 – 5 and 14
  - Freestyle 400m Classification 6 - 14
  - Backstroke 50m Classification 1 - 5
  - Breaststroke 50m Classification 1 - 3
  - Butterfly 50m Classification 1 - 7
  - Breaststroke 100m Classification 4 - 14
  - Backstroke 100m Classification 6 - 14
  - Butterfly 100m Classification 8 - 14
  - Individual Medley 200m Classification 5 - 14

### **Eligibility**

1. Swimmers with S1-S14 classifications will be accepted subject to the following:
  - 1.1. All competitors must have an authorised IPC Swimming classification, which is held on the British Swimming or IPC Swimming classification database at the time of entry. Competitors must be registered members of the ASA.
  - 1.2. The swimmers must have achieved 200 British Para-Swimming points in an event run under the technical rules and laws of either, IPC, DSE or ASA within the qualifying window 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016-10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 for the stroke and distance entered.

### **Meet Procedure**

1. All events will run with heat declared winners as part of the main Championship event.
2. The competition shall take place under the relevant IPC Swimming Rules.
3. Positions will be determined by the number of British Para-Swimming points attained by each swimmer in each event.
4. Multi Classified swimmers will be included but not placed within the results for the appropriate able-bodied competition. They will also be included in the Multi Classification results and placed within those results based on their British Para-Swimming points score within that event.

### **Personal Care Attendants**

1. Personal care attendants will only be permitted for swimmers in the following classes: S1, S2, S3, S4, S5 and S11.

- 1.1. A swimmer in any of these classes may have both a coach and a personal care attendant present.
- 1.2. All coaches and personal care attendants must have accreditation.
- 1.3. Personal care attendants will only be permitted for swimmers where assistance is permitted on their code of exceptions.
- 1.4. Such attendants will be excluded from any restrictions and will be given the same accreditation as the swimmer for whom they have personal care responsibilities.
- 1.5. The personal care attendant accreditation will be free of charge.
2. Medals shall be awarded on a multi-class basis to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each event based on British Para-Swimming point's scores.