

WARWICKSHIRE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020

(Under ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules of Swimming)

License 1WM500115 and 1WM200116

Venue: Coventry Sports & Leisure Centre or Alan Higgs Centre, 50m pool (TBC)

Dates: 24th / 25th January, 2020 (1WM200115) / 8th / 9th February, 2020 (1WM200116)

Meet information and Promoters Conditions

Entry to Warwickshire Championships is via a club coordinator who is responsible for communicating all information to and from the swimmers. Individual entry is not permitted. Entry is subject to the conditions below and the General Conditions as published on the website.

Championship Administrator: Mrs H Moulton

Meet Promoter: Mrs D M Reynolds

1. Entries

1.1. Entries will only be accepted when submitted using SPORTSYSTEMS Entry Manager. Entry files from other sources are not acceptable. Entry is via your club, individual entry is not acceptable.

1.2. All information, computer programs and entry files are available by download from the championships website www.warwickshireswimming.org.uk.

1.3. Entry times must be achieved in a licensed meet from 1st March 2019 - midnight Sunday 29th December 2019. Swimmer detail and entry times must be downloaded online from the ASA databases using the Entry Manager programme. The entry programme selects the best time which may be a converted time. If for any reason a time is missing from Ranking then evidence of the swim must be submitted to the meet administrator. A link to a website showing the result is acceptable.

1.4. Age as at 31st December 2020.

1.5. To enter the meet a swimmer must be visible online when using the Entry Manager programme. Should a swimmer not be listed in the downloaded valid swimmers file, then the Club Membership Officer must contact the ASA Membership department to resolve the problem. This usually occurs if a swimmer chooses to hide their information when completing a membership application form, or when a swimmer has changed clubs and the paperwork has not been submitted, or has been processed incorrectly.

1.6. Swimmers can only swim for the club that they are entered under on the Sports Systems entry file, including relay swims. Where swimmers are dual registered with two or more clubs they must decide prior to entering these Championships which club they wish to swim for, and be entered into individual swims and relays by the club coordinator for that club.

1.7. University swimmers – entries are accepted from swimmers whose University is registered with Warwickshire ASA. However they will only be eligible for Championship Trophies or medals if their home club is within Warwickshire ASA. (Home club membership must be up to date at the time of swimming)

1.8. Entry is £5.50 per individual event. Team events are £15.00. Refund of entry fees will only be given on medical grounds, if an appropriate medical certificate is provided.

1.9. Electronic entry files must be uploaded via the link given on the website by 23:59 on the closing date – December 29th 2019. Entry printouts from SS Entry Manager shall be returned by email. No improved times will accepted after the closing date.

1.10. Notification of accepted entries shall be via a list on the championships website. If any rejections occur then these will be notified by email to the club coordinator.

1.11 Entries to 1500m & 800m are subject to a maximum of 5 heats for 800m and 3 heats for 1500m. These will be swum as mixed sex events.

1.12. If entries to an event are exceptionally high then rejections may need to be made, these will be done fairly across all age groups. For 800m & 1500m this will be done fairly across male and female competitors.

2. Age Groups & Awards

2.1 Age groups for individual events other than 400 IM , 800m freestyle & 1500m Freestyle will be 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & Over. 400m IM, 800m and 1500m Freestyle the minimum age for entry is 12 years & will be swum as an open age group

2.2 Relays: 4 x 50m medley and freestyle 10/12 & 13/14 age groups. 4 x 200m freestyle, 4 x 100m freestyle, 4 x 100m Medley open age group

2.3. Para Swimmers minimum age is 11 years for all events

2.4. Awards will be made as per conditions 3 and 4 below. Only trophies (age group, championship and relays) will be presented, medals can be collected by swimmers from the medal table.

3. Finals

3.1. Finalist age groups shall be as below:

- a) 50m and 100m event finals will be swum as 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & over. Age group medals for top 3 in each age group
- b) 200m individual events will be swum as Junior age group (10/13 yrs) and Senior age group (14/over). Age group medals for top 3 in each age group
- c) 400m, 800m and 1500m individual events and team events will be swum as heat declared winners. Age groups for these events for awards will be as per section 2.1.

4. Championships

4.1. In all events with finals the 3 fastest times overall in the finals as detailed above will decide the overall Championship result.

4.2. The Junior Champion will be the swimmer (15/under) who has achieved the fastest time overall for all events where there is a final and a trophy for Junior Champion (if the 15/under age group is not represented in the final the Junior Champion will be the fastest swimmer in that age group from the heats)

4.3. For all HDW and relay events the 3 fastest times overall will decide the Open Championship result

4.4. Winners of 10/13 age group 200m finals (for which there is a trophy) will decide the age group 200m Champion

5. Relays

5.1. Swimmers can only swim for the one club they are entered under on the Sports Systems entry file, as per clause 1.7 above.

5.2. A swimmer must be a member of the club they wish to compete for in the relays by the meet closing date of 29th December 2019.

5.3 Order and names of swimmers must be submitted to the recorders a minimum of 30 minutes before the start of each session.

6. Withdrawals

6.1. Withdrawal before the day will be via email, to a web link provided at www.warwickshireswimming.org.

6.3. The promoter cannot accept any responsibility for emails which are not received.

6.2. Final notice of the withdrawal of swimmers from a club shall be reported to the recorder via email or in person by no later than 1 hour before the earliest published session start time. Failure to report for any swims will be subject to a fine of £10 for non-withdrawal. The swimmer may not compete again in the Championships until the fine is paid. In the event of a swimmer not paying the fine, the club in whose name the swimmer has entered the competition shall be responsible for payment.

6.4. Notice of withdrawal by a finalist or reserve finalist shall be given to the recorders no later than 30 minutes from the announcement/posting of finalists. It is the responsibility of the finalists and reserves to notify the recorders if they do not wish to swim. Failure to notify withdrawal from a final shall be subject to a £10 fine. The swimmer may not compete again in the Championships until the fine is paid. In the event of a swimmer not paying the fine, the club in whose name the swimmer has entered the competition shall be responsible for payment. It is the responsibility of the swimmer to check if they are required for a final. The recorders will not announce the withdrawal of swimmers.

6.5. All reserves who do not withdraw before the deadline must report to the marshalling area with the finalists, ready to swim. If they are not required they will then be released by the marshals. Where a reserve is brought in at short notice then the reserve shall occupy the vacant lane, there will be no amendments to the allocation of lanes.

7. Other meet conditions not covered above

7.1. All heats shall be seeded using cyclical seeding if there is a final for the event. Any remaining heats will be spearheaded. Events with no finals will be spearheaded. All finals are spearheaded by default.

7.2. Should a final comprise of only one swimmer then an award will be only be made if the swimmer achieves or improves on their entry time for that particular event.

7.3. Earliest start times for each session will be published on the event website shortly after the closing date. The times are dictated by event demand.

7.4. The use of training aids during warm ups is not permitted.

7.5. A swimmer failing to comply with any of the above conditions shall not be allowed to compete in the championship.

7.6. Charges for spectators will be decided once the venue has been confirmed and will be advised to clubs and published on the website www.warwickshireswimming.org.uk

7.7 Poolside passes

(a) Costs to be determined when venue is confirmed and will be advised to clubs in due course. (This is because the venues have different catering facilities available)

(b) Current DBS/CRB numbers must be supplied with names for all Team Managers, Coaches and Chaperones. Clubs will only be charged for a maximum of 4 passes, they may have more but only 4 people will be permitted poolside at any one time. Poolside passes must be worn at all times.

7.8 Over the top and side by side starts may be used throughout the championships (except for finals)

7.9 A second strobe starting light is on the opposite side of the pool to the starter.

7.10 There is no swim down facility at the Alan Higgs Centre when it is used as a 50m pool. However there may be a step down facility which swimmers can use after their swims but we will not know what this will be until nearer the date of the new pool opening.

7.11 Timings of Trophy presentations will be at the discretion of the Technical Director and Promoter

7.12 The behaviour of all competitors within the venue is the responsibility of their club

7.13. Anything not covered by these conditions shall be decided by the promoter.