



PROMOTER'S CONDITIONS

Isle of Wight Club Championships 2024

General

1. All events will be conducted in accordance with SWIM ENGLAND Laws and Technical Rules.
2. Competitors must be members of their relevant Swim England Registered Club based on the Isle of Wight and Swimmers must be registered with Swim England.
3. Any matter not covered by these conditions or by Swim England laws or technical rules will be at the Promoter's discretion. The Promoter may amend the schedule of events to ensure the smooth running of the meet.
4. Any queries regarding these conditions should be directed to Gavin Muncaster, via the e-mail address coaches@seaclosesc.co.uk

Facilities

5. The event will take place at Medina Leisure Centre.
6. The pool length is 25m
7. Anti-turbulence lane ropes, starting blocks and turn boards will be used.
8. Manual timing will be used.
9. All events will start at the deep end of the pool which has a depth of 1.8m.
10. All participants and spectators must observe all safety precautions in operation at Medina Leisure Centre and follow instructions of Pool Staff. Prior to leaving poolside swimmers must dry off and put on appropriate clothing and footwear. No swimmers will be allowed into the spectator area or the Café and main entrance foyer area unless they have complied with this requirement. For safety reasons spectators must ensure that all gangways and the rear of the spectator area are kept clear.

11. Swimmers must only use blocks if they are competent to do so and when using the blocks in the appropriate part of any warm-up swimmers must be supervised by a coach from their club.
12. In line with Swim England Wave Power guidelines there must be absolutely no use of any electronic devices in the changing rooms.

Eligibility

13. The competition is open to any swimmer who are members of Swim England whose swim England Fee paying club is based on the Isle of Wight, swimming for your fee paying club.
14. There are no upper or lower qualifying times for this event.
15. Entry times submitted must be from registered meets and appear on Swim England rankings. If a swimmers does not have a time on Swim England Rankings enter No Time / NT on when entering.
16. Long course times to be converted to short course times on entries.
17. Event is open to swimmers aged 9 and over as at 31st December 2024.
18. Time trials will not be permitted at the meet.
19. Swimmers who have been invited to train with the Island Games training squad but whose main club is not based on the Isle of Wight will be allowed to compete as exhibition swimmers but results will not count towards medals.

Entries

20. Entry fees will be determined by each individual club for their members. The event will be organised by Seaclose Swimming Club and clubs will pay a charge of £3.00 per entry to cover the costs of running the event and any associated fees.
21. Entry fees for Seaclose Swimming Club swimmers is £5.00 per event.
22. All fees to be paid before the start of the meet.
23. Club entries with short course times (long course conversions will be accepted) should be submitted using the HyTEK electronic file which will be made available. Swimmers with No Times enter NT on the entry form. Entry fees to be paid by each club.
24. Seaclose Swimming Club Entries to be completed on the electronic entry form provided. Individual entry fees to be paid before entries will be accepted.

25. Entries will close at 23.59 on 15th November 2024 – no entries will be accepted after this date.
26. Swim England Rankings may reject results containing errors. Please ensure details are checked for accuracy before submitting your entries. In particular check dates of birth and names.
27. Age groups are (age as at 31st December 2024)
 - 9-10 Yrs
 - 11-12 Yrs
 - 13-14 Yrs
 - 15-16 Yrs
 - 17-18 Yrs
 - 19+ Years

Competing Categories

28. In line with Swim England policies swimmers will be required to swim in one of two groups:
 - Female – Athletes with a birth sex of female.
 - Open/Male – Athletes with a birth sex of male, trans or non-binary competitors and any competitor not eligible for the female category.

All events will be open to both categories.

The Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy. By entering the 'Female' category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female.

Please note:

- Rankings will refer to 'Open/Male' times rather than simply 'Male'.

Given swimmingresults.org includes British, Welsh and Scottish rankings the term 'Male' will still be included for accuracy.

The HYTek Meet software has not yet been updated to reflect this change.

Medals

29. Individual clubs are responsible for organising medals for their own swimmers.
30. Seaclose Swimming Club will provide results to each club as soon as possible upon the completion of each event.
31. For Seaclose Swimmers medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed swimmers in each age group.

Operation of the Meet

32. Lanes will be allocated to clubs / age groups for the purpose of warm-up and announcements will be made. Swimmers must be supervised by a suitably qualified coach from their club. Diving will only be allowed in specified lanes.
33. All events to be swum slowest to fastest with swimmers from all clubs. Results will be split into individual clubs.
34. Events of 400m or longer may be swum as mixed heats.
35. Over the top starts may be used.
36. Withdrawals be notified until 15 minutes before the end of the warm-up.
37. All swimmers must be accompanied on poolside at all times by a Coach or Team Manager registered with Swim England and with a current DBS check and recently completed safeguarding training. Coach/Team manager ratios for each club must be in line with the ratios as defined in the Swim England Team Manager, Coach and Chaperone Policy.
38. Swimmers are responsible for reporting to the Competitor Stewards on time. For the first two events in each session swimmers should report to the Competitor Stewards directly after the warm-up. Swimmers in all other events should report to the Competitor Stewards at least one event before their own event.
39. Failure to appear in the designated heat will cancel any right to complete in that event.
40. The One-Start Rule will apply. All events will be run on a Heat Declared Winner (HDW) basis.
41. Competitors are advised not to leave their belongings unattended and to ensure that all valuables are placed in a locked locker.
42. Meet results will be submitted to Swim England Rankings as soon as possible after each session.

Data Protection.

43. With the submission of entry details, consent is deemed to have been given, as required of the Data Protection Act, to the holding, and distribution as necessary, of personal information on computer to enable the running of the Meet.
44. The Promoter reserves the right to amend the Conditions, without prior notice, to ensure the smooth running of the Championships.
45. For any matters not covered by these Conditions the IW Champs Management will make any decisions it deems necessary to provide for the satisfactory running of the competition. By submitting an entry participants have deemed to agree to such decisions.

Additional Conditions

46. The organisers and the pool management reserve the right to remove any swimmer or spectator from the pool area whose behaviour is either against the pool rules or the efficient running of the gala. Anyone found causing damage or seriously misbehaving, will be banned from the gala and refused entry to the building.
47. Seaclose Swimming Club cannot accept responsibility for any personal possessions and articles. These should not be left unattended. Lockers are available in the changing rooms and take £1 coins.
48. If there are any queries these should be directed to Gavin Muncaster, via the address coaches@seaclosesc.co.uk