

Swim England North East Regional Open Swimming Championships (25m) 2023

The organisation of the Swimming Championships shall be in the hands of the SENER Board with powers delegated to the Swimming Manager & Championship Administrator who shall have the power to cancel, postpone or change the Championships venue and/or format due to reasons beyond their control. The Championships shall be held under the relevant FINA/Swim England/WPS Technical & Judicial Rules/Laws.

1(a) The Championships shall be open to all bona fide members of Clubs affiliated to the SENER who hold a valid Swim England Swimmer Registration and the relevant Entry Time. Swimmers with a valid Para Swimming Classification, held on the Swim England Membership Database, may swim in the Open Championships. A secondary strobe should be available. At the discretion of the Entries Manager entries may be accepted from individuals who are classified as Swim England Temporary Members.

(b) A swimmers age is as on 31st December 2023.

2(a) Championship entries must be made by the relevant Club Official using the Online Entry System. (Entry Fee £9.50 per entry) The Entry closing date is the 25th October 2023. 25m pool Entry times have been set and published. Converted times from a 50m pool will be accepted.

(b) The Entries Manager has the authority to adjust the number of entries accepted to ensure the smooth running of the Championships, including if a Capacity limit is imposed on the venue.

(c) Submitted entry times will be used for seeding and rejection purposes where necessary.

3(a) A swimmers entry time must be downloadable from British Rankings and have been achieved since 1st September 2021 at an event Licensed at Levels 1 – 3. Times cannot be edited before entry. A swimmer cannot compete in the same event at both the Open and Age Group Championships.

4(a) Team Staff requiring access to the poolside must be in possession of a Pass. Passes are ordered via the Online Poolside Pass System at a fee of £10 each [here](#). All Team Staff must have either a Coaching Qualification or completed a Team Manager Course, have obtained a Safeguarding Certificate and been subject to a DBS check. These must be showing on their Swim England Membership record.

5(a) All Individual events will have Finals for the following Age Groups: 16 & under & Open, with the exception of the 800m & 1500m Freestyle which will be Heat Declared Winner.

(b) Qualifying Finalists and reserves not wishing to take part in a final are required to inform the Recorders not later than 15 minutes after the last event in the session. A swimmer who having qualified for a Final, fails to swim, without having withdrawn from the Final, shall incur a penalty fee of £25. The responsibility for payment of the fee shall rest with the club under whose name the entry was made.

6(a) A withdrawal system will be in operation. Seeded heat start lists will be produced prior to the start of each session. If a swimmer is NOT going to swim in an event it is the responsibility of the club entering the swimmer to inform the Entries Manager no later than 5pm the day before the heats of that event take place. Clubs may do this prior to the event by emailing nerswimmingmanager@asaner.org.uk or at the event by completing a withdrawal form. Should a swimmer who has not been withdrawn from an event fail to swim the Club entering the swimmer may incur an administration fee of £15.

7(a) It is the intention to provide a Warm Up/Swim Down facility at the Championships. These will be supervised by the facility staff. Swimmers using these facilities must follow any instructions issued by these supervisors. Clubs through their Team Staff will be responsible for the behaviour/actions of their swimmers at all times within the facility.