
MEET CONDITIONS – BRITISH SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023 (50m)

22nd – 28th July 2023

1) General Conditions

- a) The British Swimming Managing Board (“the Board”) reserves full powers over the British Swimming Championships (50m), including but not limited to cancelling, postponing or changing the Championships venue and/or format due to reasons beyond its reasonable control. The appointed Meet Director shall be the promoting body’s representative.
- b) The Competition shall be held under World Aquatics (formerly FINA) Technical Rules of Swimming and the British Swimming Judicial Code. Where World Aquatics rules do not provide guidance, e.g. Health and Safety Regulations or Child Safety Guidelines the requirements of Swim England shall apply for events held in England.

2) Eligibility

- a) Entries - will be by invitation only, from performances recorded in the designated Qualifying Window. The 24 top ranked swimmers in each age grouping will be invited for each event, with the exception of the 800m and 1500m events where 18 will be invited. Entries will be accepted from competitors registered as members of a British Swimming home nation federation i.e. SE, SS or SW.
- b) Entries - these are only accepted from competitors registered as members of Swim England, Scottish Swimming, or Swim Wales. Competitors from countries that World Aquatics or the UK Government have deemed ineligible to compete shall not be permitted to enter. Where required to do so, competitors shall present their passport for age and nationality verification to the British Swimming Events Officer not later than 1500 hours on the day before the competition begins.
- c) A competitor must be a registered member of the club in whose name s/he is entered at the date of making the original entry. This club must be offered by the online entry system. Where swimmers are members of multiple clubs they must opt to compete in the name of one club only – this refers to both individual and relay events.
- d) Individuals forming the teams must be registered members of the club for which they are competing. A swimmer entered in the name of one club in the individual events may not compete in the name of another club in the team events.

3) The Events

- a) Individual Events:
 - 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m & 1500m Freestyle
 - *50m, 100m & 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly
 - 200m & 400m Individual Medley
 - ***NOT** for the 13/14 girls or 14/15 boys
 - Qualification for all 50m events is via the rankings for the equivalent 100m event.
- b) Team Events:
 - 4x100m & 4x200m Freestyle, 4x100m Medley

4) Age Groups

- a) Individual Events
 - Male *14/15 years, 16 years, 17 years, 18 years, 19 years and over
 - Female *13/14 years, 15 years, 16 years, 17 years, 18 years and over

- b) Team Events
Male/Female 14-16 years, 17 years and over
- c) Ages at midnight on 31st December 2023

5) Entries

- a) The Qualifying Window will run from 10th March 2023 – 21st May 2023 (inclusive). Following the closure of this qualifying period, Phase 1 entry invitations will be sent out to all qualifying competitors we have an email for. Competitors who wish to accept their invitation to compete must then ensure that their entry is received by the Administrator no later than the 'closing date' of 1700 on 12th June 2023.
- b) Following the conclusion of Phase 1 entry, those swimmers receiving a Phase 2 invitation to compete must ensure they have entered no later than the start of the Team Leader meeting, to be held at 1800 evening on the 21st July 2023.
- c) Only the time offered by the invite system will be accepted for entry.
- d) Entry confirmation will be by means of the online entry system. Payment must be made for all entries at the time of entry via the online system.

6) Team Events

- a) Entry accepted solely from clubs affiliated to SE, SS or SW as a result of performance in qualifying rounds at the designated qualifying SE/SS/SW events.
- b) The 30 fastest teams in each event will be invited to compete in the British Summer Championships 2023, from performances recorded in the designated Qualifying Window, irrespective of location within England, Scotland or Wales. (Age Groups: 14-16 years & 17+ years).
- c) Clubs must confirm their invitation to compete. Failure to do so will result in their invitation being withdrawn.
- d) Entry confirmation will be by means of an online system. Payment must be made for all team entries at the time of entry via the online system. Team Entry £30.
- e) Team Declaration Forms must be completed and submitted to the Recorders at least 60 minutes before the start of the session in which the team is competing.

7) Para Swimming Events

The British Summer Championships includes a programme of para-swimming events. Details of the conditions for all para swimming events and meet conditions can be found within a separate document.

8) Administration

- a) Coaches will be required to obtain an Accreditation Pass from the British Swimming Website in advance of the meet, cost £26. Coaches must print their own Pass. Lanyards and pouches can be collected at Ponds Forge on arrival. **Applications received after 17th July will be subject to a £20 surcharge.**
- b) Competitors Accreditation will be issued via email upon completion of entry and must be printed and brought to the Meet by the competitor. Pouches and lanyards will be available to collect in the foyer.
- c) Relay only entrants will be required to obtain an Accreditation Pass via the entry system. A charge of £1 will be payable and athletes will be required to print their own pass. £1 needs reviewing
- d) Admission to the pool will only be allowed with a valid accreditation.

- e) A £10 charge will be levied for lost, mislaid or forgotten passes.

9) Meet Procedure

- a) All events shall have Heats and Finals, with the exception of the 800m & 1500m Freestyle and the 4x200m Freestyle Team Events which will be Heat Declared Winner.
- b) Heats shall be seeded in accordance with World Aquatics.
- c) The following age groups will have a Final:-
Male *14/15 years, 16 years, 17 years, 18 years, 19 years and over
Female *13/14 years, 15 years, 16 years, 17 years, 18 years and over
- d) The fastest ten competitors from the heats will be allocated a place in the Final plus two reserves.
- e) Competitors whose entries have been accepted will be expected to swim unless they have complied with the withdrawal procedure.

10) Withdrawal Procedures

- a) Heats
- i) Withdrawals must be made by the end of the Team Leader Meeting for day one swims, and by 12 noon on the day before for all subsequent days.
- b) Finals
- i) Finalists and reserves, 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.
- ii) Reserves will be released upon publication of the Finals start sheets.
- iii) If a reserve is brought in at short notice, the event will not be reseeded.

11) Call Room

- a) Swimmers must report to the competition stewards in the call room for heats and finals and follow their direction. It is the swimmers 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 led onto the pool deck for their race. Upon entry, the athlete must ensure that they report to a Steward and be registered as being present in the Call Room.
- c) Coaches/chaperones will not be allowed in the call room area during the finals at any time.

12) Awards

- a) Medals shall be awarded to the competitors placed first, second and third in each Final. Presentation of medals will be made on deck, during the respective Finals session. Details to be confirmed in the final Meet schedule.

13) Doping Control

- a) Competitors taking part in the Meet may be subject to random doping control.
- b) Competitors are required to have photo identification with them at all times. An official meet accreditation for this Championship (incorporating an appropriate photograph) will be acceptable for this purpose.

14) Team Leader Meeting

- a) It is strongly recommended a representative from all clubs with swimmers entered in this Meet should attend the Team Leader Meeting which will take place at 18:00 on 21st July 2022. Non-attendance could result in swimmers being disadvantaged or not able to compete due to them or their coach not being aware of any changes required for the running of the competition.