

## West Suffolk Swimming Club

Affiliated to Swim England East Region and Suffolk



# WSSC Home Series 1

Held under Swim England Laws and Regulations, the Swim England Technical Rules of Swimming and to the Swim England Open Meet Licensing Criteria

**Level 4 Licence 4ER221076**

**21<sup>st</sup> May 2022**

Abbeycroft Leisure Centre, Beetons Way, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3TT

### CONDITIONS AND INFORMATION

1. The competition is licensed by Swim England at Level 4, and will be run in accordance with Swim England Laws and Technical Rules and these conditions.
2. The competition is only open to members of West Suffolk Swimming Club and swimmers must be Swim England registered as either SE Club Train (Cat 1) or SE Club Compete (Cat 2).
3. The promoter is Caroline Wright on behalf West Suffolk Swimming Club email: [meets@westsuffolkswimming.co.uk](mailto:meets@westsuffolkswimming.co.uk).
4. Age groups are 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and over.
5. Age will be as of 31st December 2022.
6. There will be no awards or medals for placings, it is time trial only.
7. Some events are restricted to specific squads as indicated on the events programme. If swimmers in other squads wish to enter they must get coach approval. Please ensure your competence before entering a new stroke/distance, if unsure please check with your coach.
8. 25m races are for Nemos only and are not part of the licenced meet. The results will therefore not be supplied to British Swimming for entry into the national ranking database. These events are intended to give younger swimmers an introduction to racing.
9. There is no maximum number of entries for each swimmer, however, please bear in mind the duration of the session and choose your races appropriately as depending on entries there may be a quick turnaround between events.
10. You do not require an entry time for any event, we will try to seed you appropriately. The Promoter reserves the right to limit entries and the number of heats in any event to maintain a balanced programme in order to meet licence time guidelines. Entries will be accepted on a 'first come first served' basis until the session time is full.
11. The pool at Abbeycroft Leisure Centre, Bury St Edmunds is 25m, anti-wave devices will be in place and AOE will be used. A secondary strobe for the starting system is available.
12. Over the top starts may be used at the referee's discretion.

13. Under the provisions of SWAG1 'Federations may adopt their own Age Group rules, using FINA technical rules'. Heats will be swum as mixed ages and gender with swimmers seeded by entry times.

14. Entries and payment must have been received by the [closing date Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022](#).

15. The entry fee will be £3 per event. Payments should be made by BACS payment to the WSSC Gala Account Sort Code: 20-16-12 Acc. 10106593 Reference HS1 and Swimmer Surname. If paying by cheque it should be made payable to 'West Suffolk Swimming Club'.

16. Once entries have been confirmed and published on the club website no refunds will be issued unless there is a valid medical reason for withdrawal, up to one week before the gala. The promoter's decision is final.

17. Results will be published on the club website as soon as practically possible and will be supplied to British Swimming for entry into the national ranking database.

18. Swimmers must withdraw from events that they no longer wish to swim before 6pm on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Withdrawals may not be made on the day, so these lanes will run empty if there are no-shows. There will not be a signing-in desk.

19. In accordance with the Swim England Child Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, any parents or carers of swimmers under the age of 18 who wish to take photographic or video images are requested to focus on their own child as much as reasonably possible and to avoid including other children in those images. Should you have any concerns about photography or filming please bring them to the attention of the promoter.

20. Participants and spectators are requested to follow the Swim England guidelines for photography and use of photographs on social media. The Swim England Child Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, Wavepower 2016-19 Section 2 provides guidance on the use of social networking (page 72-75) and guidance on photography (page 76-77). <http://www.swimming.org/asa/clubs-andmembers/safeguarding-children/>. Both sets of guidance apply if social media platforms are being used to share images or recordings either after the meet or during live streaming of the event.

21. All participants must observe the safety precautions in operation at Abbeycroft Leisure Centre Bury St Edmunds and Abbeycroft Leisure Centre Haverhill. Neither the Promoter nor West Suffolk Swimming Club will be responsible for any loss or damage occurring during the meet.

22. The Data Protection Act 2018 requires us to provide you with certain information and to obtain your consent before processing data about you. Processing includes: obtaining, recording, holding, disclosing, destruction or retaining information. We require certain personal data for the purposes of making entries to the competition, managing the meet and the submission of results to Rankings. The information provided by you will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Consent to process such personal data is deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. Where the personal data of competitors, officials and coaches/team managers has been passed to us by a third party such as a club rather than by the individuals themselves, we rely on the third party to ensure that consent has been obtained.

23. Any matter not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoter and Referee, subject to Swim England Laws, Regulations and the Swim England Technical Rules of Racing.