

Worcester Swimming Club

Age Group Championships 2023

Under Swim England Laws & Swim England Technical Rules
(Affiliated to Swim England West Midlands & Worcester County SA)

Promoters Conditions

1. Competitors eligible to compete in the championships must:-
 - a) Be a member of Worcester Swimming Club by the first date of competition.
 - b) Be of Amateur status as defined by Swim England Laws.
 - c) Be up to date with all fees (including open meet entry fees) by the first date of competition.**
 - d) Have not competed in the Club Championships of another Swim England-affiliated club during the current calendar year.
2. Any member of Worcester Swimming Club who does not meet the criteria above will not be allowed to swim. They will not be eligible for medals or trophies.
3. Entry forms can be obtained from www.worcestersc.co.uk. **All entries must be on correctly completed forms and accompanied by appropriate entry fee (cheque) or evidence of BACS payment (ref. and date).**
4. Individual events are £2.50, with a maximum ceiling of £25 per swimmer for 10 or more events. **Entries must be returned together with the entry fee by midnight 15th September 2023.**
5. Age as at 31st December 2023.
6. This meet will be licensed at Level 4.
7. There are no qualifying times for this internal club competition.
8. A competitor may enter all events which are available for their age group.
9. If an event is oversubscribed, then entries will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.
10. The promoters reserve the right to refuse any entry. Incorrect entries will not be accepted. Any entries that are not accepted will be returned with the entry fee. Entries are accepted on the understanding that the competitor accepts the promoter's conditions.
11. No refunds will be made to competitors who withdraw after advice of acceptance.
12. Each swimmer **MUST** ensure they have been registered with the stewards as present for the event. **Registration will close 5 minutes after the start of warm-up.**
13. Heats may have 'over the top' starts.
14. The order of events may be changed at the discretion of the referee or promoter.
15. Entries will be seeded into heats from entered times, with the slowest heat first.
16. All events are Heat Declared, there will be no finals.
17. Age groups for the main events are 9/Under, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 & 16/Over.
18. Any competitor disqualified will not receive an award for that event.
 - a) Age group trophies will be awarded to the swimmer who gains the highest collated number of FINA points from their top 8 events across **at least 5** of the categories.
 - i) The six categories are: Freestyle, Long Distance, Sprint, IM, 100s Form, 200s Form.
 - b) Under 12 swimmers can have a **maximum** of 3 races counted per category.
 - c) **12 and over swimmers** can only have a **maximum** of 2 races counted per category.
 - d) 6 categories and what they consist of-
 - i) Freestyle 100m 200m 400m
 - ii) Long Distance – 800m and 1500m
 - iii) Sprint 50 free, back, breast or fly
 - iv) IM – 100m, 200m, 400m
 - v) 100 Form – Breast, Back, Fly
 - vi) 200 Form – Breast, Back, Fly
19. Entries for the long distance may be limited to cater for the timetable and if you are under 10 need approval by the head coach

20. 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.
21. The promoters reserve the right to amend these conditions as necessary, subject to the approval of the regional licencing officer. All participants will be informed of any alterations.
22. The event is run under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules, and the Swim England Laws on Open Competitions shall cover any laws not covered by the promoter's conditions.
23. To ensure adequate room around poolside, some sessions may be swum behind closed doors with no spectators permitted