
MEET CONDITIONS – BRITISH SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIPS (50m)

28th July – 2nd August 2015

1) General Conditions

- a) The British Swimming Managing Board (“the Board”) reserves full powers over the British Summer Championships (50m) (“the Championships”). The appointed Executive Director shall be the promoting body’s representative.
- b) The Competition shall be held under FINA Technical Rules of Swimming and the British Swimming Judicial Code. Where FINA rules do not provide guidance, e.g. Health and Safety Regulations or Child Safety Guidelines the requirements of the ASA shall apply for events held in England.

2) Eligibility

- a) Entries will be by invitation only. They will be accepted from competitors registered as members of a British Swimming home nation federation i.e. ASA/SASA or WASA.
- b) A competitor must be a registered member of the club in whose name he is entered at the date of making the initial 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.
- c) 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.
- d) All competitors’ individual entry times must be recorded in the British Swimming Rankings from Swimming Competitions designated or licensed for entry into National competitions and achieved in a 50m pool during the period 13th March to 31st May 2015, or in the specific case of ASA Regional Championships the period 13th March to 14th June.¹
- e) Split times, either intermediate distance or first leg of a relay race are not acceptable for entry.
- f) Invitations to enter the Championships will be extended to those swimmers who for each Championship Event are placed in the top 24 of the British Swimming Rankings for each age group of each event, based on the specified qualifying period of 13th March to 31st May 2015 plus ASA Regional Meets taking place 6-7th June 2015, except the 800m and 1500m Freestyle events when the top ranked 18 swimmers in each age group will be invited to enter.
- g) Swimmers identified from ASA Regional Competitions taking place on 13th-14th June 2015 as having performed a time which is equal to or faster than the 24th ranked time, or in the case

¹ Due to contractual reasons and pool availability some English Regions are not able to complete their Championship programmes by 31st May. Swims at Regional events up to and including 14th June will be considered for qualification to the 2015 British Swimming Summer Championships in as outlined in condition 2(f)&(g).

of 800m and 1500m Freestyle the 18th ranked time identified in their age group and event as outlined in 2(f) will be added to the event invitation list.

- h) Swimmers who are known to have been selected to compete at an International event (junior or senior) for which the travel dates mean they will not be available to attend the British Summer Championships will not be included in the numbers of invited swimmers for this competition.

3) The Events

a) Individual Events

50m, 100m, 200m, 400m Freestyle

800m (Female) and 1500m Freestyle (Male)

50m, 100m & 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly

200m & 400m Individual Medley

b) Team Events

4x100m & 4x200m Freestyle, 4x100m Medley

4) Age Groups

a) Individual Events

Male/Female 13/14years, 15years, 16years, 17/18years, 19years and over

b) Team Events

Male/Female 14-16years 17years and over

c) Ages at midnight on 31st December 2015.

5) Entries

- a) Following the closure of the qualifying period the initial opportunity will open whereby accepted invitations shall be received by the Administrator no later than the 'closing date' i.e. 12 noon on Monday 29th June 2015, accompanied by the appropriate entry fee (Individual £12; Team £24).
- b) Those who fail to accept their invitation within this timescale but still wish to compete shall be allowed to submit 'late acceptances' until the end of the Team Leader meeting to be held on the evening of Monday 27th July 2015, (time to be notified in the Confirmation Pack) for which the accompanying entry fee shall be twice that of the initial acceptance period (Individual £24; Team £48) This facility shall also apply to both Individuals and Teams who having submitted entries in the initial period wish to add events for which they have qualified.
- c) Entry confirmation will be by means of an online 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 the ASA, SASA or WASA as a result of performance in qualifying rounds at the designated qualifying ASA/SASA/WASA events.
- b) The 20 fastest teams in each event will be invited to compete in the British Summer Championships 2015 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

7) Administration

- a) Coaches will be required to obtain an Accreditation Pass from the National Events Office in advance of the meet. Applications received after the 'closing date' will be subject to a surcharge.
- b) Competitors Accreditation will be issued to Coaches on the afternoon before the event commences, on production of a Coaches Accreditation Pass.
- c) Admission to the pool will only be allowed with a valid accreditation.
- d) A charge will be levied for lost, mislaid or forgotten passes.
- e) Day passes will be issued to all competitors in teams who are not entered into individual events, who do not notify additional swimmers on the form that will be sent to all clubs with a team entered into the Meet.

8) Meet Procedure

- a) All events shall have heats and Finals, with the exception of the Men's 1500m & Women's 800m Freestyle which shall swim the Fastest Heat in the appropriate Finals Session.
- b) Heats shall be seeded in accordance with FINA rules.
- c) The following age groups will have a Final:- 13/14 years, 15 years, 16 years, 17/18years and 19years 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.

9) Withdrawal Procedures

- a) Heats

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- 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) Competitors withdrawing on medical grounds after the expiry of the imposed deadlines shall have their withdrawal endorsed by the Executive Director.
 - iii) Reserves will be released one hour prior to the start of the finals session.
 - iv) Where a reserve is brought in at short notice, the event will not be reseeded.

10) 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.

11) Awards

- a) Medals shall be awarded to the competitors placed first, second and third in each Final.

12) 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.
- c) All athletes are responsible for checking their own medication BEFORE the meet starts. Any previous medical declaration made via a British Swimming Medical Declaration form is not sufficient and irrelevant as this form does not form any part of doping control.
 - i) Medications need to be checked (and is the athletes responsibility to do so under the Strict Liability rule) via www.globaldro.com and following the 5 steps on the website. The results page is for the athletes reference and can be saved as a PDF. It is also recommended that the results page is printed off and carried by the athlete at all times.

This result page is helpful should an athlete be subject to doping control as it will have the name of the medications taken and can be used as reference in doping control.

- ii) If when checking a medication via www.globaldro.com the result shows PROHIBITED either IN-COMPETITION or OUT-OF-COMPETITION, please contact the British Swimming Anti-Doping Compliance Manager Rachel Burrows as a matter of urgency before the meet starts. Rachel will then advise what necessary steps are needed in regard to a TUE or Retro-active TUE application.
- iii) All supplement use will also need to be declared at doping control.
<http://www.informed-sport.com/en> is a website where batch tested supplements can be checked.
- d) For anti-doping queries please contact Rachel.Burrows@swimming.org

13) Team Leader Meeting

- a) It is strongly recommended that a representative from all clubs with swimmers entered in this Meet should attend the Team Leader Meeting which will take place on the evening of 27th July 2015. The time and location will be notified in the competitor confirmation pack. 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.