

BRIEFINGS

Briefings start from 8.15 and will be confirmed as soon as possible after the closing date for entries. The Briefing times will be published on the Swim NW website and will be emailed to all entrants.

Swimmers not attending the briefings will not be ALLOWED TO SWIM !!

1. **All Entries have to be made on line. There are no paper entries**
2. Each competitor is allowed to enter one event only.
3. Entry Fee: £15.00.
4. Registration: Swimmers MUST sign in at the registration desk at the appropriate time.
5. Participants must attend the briefing – Final Briefing Times will be published on line and sent to personal emails one week before the date of the competition.
6. Competitors must have their number clearly visible on their cap and body in accordance with ASA rules; the numbers are normally written in black ink markers on the cap and on each competitor's back and upper arms.
7. **All competitors MUST, IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY, WEAR THE SWIM HAT AND WRIST BANDS PROVIDED.**
8. These events may be merged with other Festival events to ensure that the events run to time and are covered by appropriate safety measures.
9. Depending on entry numbers the events may be staggered.
10. Time limits may apply at the Referee's discretion.
11. The competition is open to all swimmers who are **unattached** to clubs.
12. The minimum age for competing is 12 years as of 31st Dec 2015
13. The Festival events are freestyle and swum over 500m and 2000m
14. Wet suits are allowed in the Festival events – This is your choice.
15. Time limits after the start will be applied - 500m 20 Minutes after the start of the race and for the 2000m 40 Minutes after the first person has finished. Any longer will be at the Referee's discretion.
16. Awards
 - a. FUN 500m – NW Medals will be awarded to the first 3 Male & Female in the following categories - Senior [Over 18], Junior [15-18], Novice [12-14]
 - b. CHALLENGE 2000m – NW Medals will be awarded to the first 3 Male & Female in the following categories - - Senior [Over 18], Junior [15-18], Novice [12-14]
17. Any matters not provided for in these conditions shall be decided by a Regional Management Board Member and the event Referee in consultation with the PSUK coordinator.
18. **Any swimmer representative (coach/chaperone) not attending the briefing will result in the swimmer NOT being allowed to swim.**