

Swim England National Summer Meet (50m) 2018

31 July – 4 August | Ponds Forge, Sheffield

MEET CONDITIONS –NATIONAL SUMMER MEET (50m), 31 July – 4 August 2018

1. General Conditions

- a) The Swimming Management Group (“the Group”) reserves full powers over the National Summer Meet (50m) (“the Competition”), including but not limited to cancelling, postponing or changing the Competition venue and/or format due to reasons beyond its reasonable control.
- b) The Competition shall be held under ASA Laws and Regulations and FINA Technical Rules of Swimming.
- c) Entries will be by invitation. They will only be accepted from Competitors registered as members of a club affiliated to the Swim England, Swim Wales and Scottish Swimming, (‘Home Nation Competitors’) or from countries affiliated to FINA. Competitors entered from countries affiliated to FINA shall be defined as ‘Overseas Competitors’. Home Nation Competitors and Overseas Competitors shall be collectively referred to as ‘Competitors’.
- d) Where required to do so, Competitors shall present their passport for age verification to the National Entries Administrator, (‘The Administrator’) or other authorised person, not later than 15:00 hours on the day before the Competition begins.
- e) A Home Nation Competitor must be a registered member, or equivalent, 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 for Home Nation Competitors. Competitors may enter in the name of one club only.
- f) Ages at midnight on the 31 December 2018.

2. The Events

- a) Individual events:
 - 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m Freestyle
 - 50m, 100m & 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly
 - 200m & 400m Individual Medley

3. Entries

- a) Competitors who wish to accept their invitation to compete must ensure that their entry is received by the Administrator no later than the ‘closing date’ i.e. 12 noon on Tuesday 10 July 2018, accompanied by the appropriate entry fee £11.
- 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 Team Leader meeting to be held on the evening of the 30 July 2018, for which the accompanying entry fee shall be twice that of the initial acceptance period (£22). This facility shall also apply to Competitors who, having submitted entries in the initial period, wish to add additional events for which they qualified within the period specified in 3f.
- c) The fastest Home Nation Competitors, in an individual event, will be invited to compete in the British Summer Championships. The next fastest Home Nation Competitors, in an individual event, (20 in all events except the 800m & 1500m Freestyle which will be 15) with a Swim England affiliated club as their Ranked Club, or Swim Wales or Scottish Swimming members who have indicated that they wish to swim in the English Summer Meet, will be invited to compete in the National Summer Meet 2018. (Age Groups: Males; 13/14 years, 15 years, 16 years, 17 years & 18+, Females; 12/13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years & 17+)

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- d) A Competitor who has been invited to compete in the British Summer Championships 2018 may not swim that event at the National Summer Meet 2018.
- e) Only times achieved in a 50m pool are accepted for entry, no converted times will be accepted.
- f) All individual times from Home Nation Competitors must be recorded in the British Swimming Rankings from Swimming Competitions designated or licensed for entry into National competitions in the period 1 March to 28 May 2018.
- g) Overseas Competitors must have achieved the minimum times published in the Qualifying Times Document for such Competitors. Overseas Competitors must submit times that are recorded in the Long Course FINA Rankings or in official meet results from a National Governing Body sanctioned competition in a 50m pool and be achieved in the stated period in 3(f). Overseas Competitors will not be considered to be in those invited and will be in addition to the stated entry numbers.
- h) Split Times, either intermediate distance or first leg of a relay race are not acceptable for entry.

4. Administration

- a) Coaches will be required to obtain an Accreditation Pass by means of an online application in advance of the closing date. Coaches must print their own Pass.
- b) Home Nation Competitors must print their own accreditation. A link will be provided in the email sent to them confirming acceptance of their entry. Overseas Competitors will be required to supply a suitable photograph in order to provide them with a photographic accreditation.
- 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.

5. Competition Procedure

- a) All events shall have Heats and Finals, with the exception of the 800m & 1500m Freestyle which will be Heat Declared Winner.
- b) Heats – Heats shall be seeded in accordance with FINA rules.
- c) The following age groups will have a Final:- Males; 13/14 years, 15 years, 16 years, 17 years & 18+ years, Females; 12/13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years & 17+ years.
- d) The fastest ten Competitors from the Heats will be allocated a place in the Final.
- e) Only two 'Overseas Competitors' may progress to the Final.
- f) Competitors whose entries have been accepted will be expected to swim unless they have complied with the withdrawal procedure.

6. Withdrawal from Heats

- a) Withdrawals must be made by the end of the Team Leader Meeting for day 1 swims, and by 1pm on the day before for all subsequent days.

7. Withdrawal from Finals

- a) Finalists 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.

8. Call Room

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- a) Competitors must report to the Competition stewards in the call room for Heats and Finals and follow their direction. It is Competitors 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 lead onto the pool deck for their race. Upon entry, Competitors 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.

9. Medals

- a) Medals shall be awarded to the first, second and third placed invited Home Nation Competitors in each final.

Commemorative Medals will be awarded to Overseas Competitors placed first, second or third in Individual Events.

10. Doping Control

- a) Competitors taking part in the Competition may be subject to random doping control sample collection.
- b) Competitors are required to bring and have with them at all times either a passport or other form of identity incorporating their photograph.

11. Team Leader Meeting

- a) It is a requirement for a representative from all clubs with Competitors entered in this Competition to attend the Team Leader Meeting which will take place on the evening of 30 July 2018. The time and location will be notified in the Competitor Confirmation Pack.

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