Yorkshire Winter Competitions 2023 Upper Age Groups – 7th/8th October 2023 Lower Age Groups - 14th/15th October 2023 John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds

The organisation of the Swimming Championships shall be in the hands of the Yorkshire Swimming Associations Management Board with powers delegated to Swimming Secretary.

The Championships shall be held under the relevant World Aquatics/Swim England Technical and Judicial Rules/Laws.

General Conditions

- i. For the purposes of this Competition a swimmers age shall be as at 15th October 2023.
- ii. All Events will be Heat Declared Winner. Consolidated heats will be used.
- iii. Spectator Tickets must be purchased in advance via an online system.

Entries

- i. The Competitions shall be open to all bona fide members of Clubs affiliated to the Yorkshire Swimming Association and where required achieve the relevant Entry Time.
- ii. A swimmer's Entry Time must have been achieved no earlier than the 1st January 2022.
- iii. All times used for entry into the Competitions must be verifiable on the British Rankings (Levels 1-4)
- iv. The Online Entry System will automatically download the current Ranked Time for each swim, converted for short course. The Club Official doing the entries will be unable to alter these times. Entries will open on 1st September 2023 and close at Midnight on 22nd September 2023.
- v. Competition entries must be made by the relevant Club Official using the Online Entry System available to download from the Web Site www.swimmingresults.org.
- vi. Entry Fees are required to be paid, before any entries can be accepted, on completion of the Online Entry Process.
- vii. The entry fees are: Individual Entry: £5.00.
- viii. The Swimming Secretary has the authority to adjust the number of entries accepted to ensure the smooth running of the Championships.
- ix. Submitted entry times will be used for seeding and rejection purposes where necessary.
- x. 10 lanes will be used for heats.

Team Staff

- i. Team staff requiring access to the poolside must be in possession of a Pass issued by the Yorkshire S.A. These may be obtained via the Online Entry System 2023 Fee: £10. This Pass covers all the Winter Competitions.
- ii. It is important that we know the names of each member who is issued with a poolside pass.
- iii. Poolside passes must be on display at all times.
- iv. All Team Staff must have a current DBS Certificate and have undertaken a Safeguarding Course.
- v. Yorkshire Swimming Association will NOT be responsible for any unaccompanied swimmers on the poolside. The responsibility falls on the club entering the swimmer.

Withdrawals Procedure

- i. The Yorkshire Winter Competition requests clubs, team managers and swimmers who are unable to swim to notify the Entries Administrator of the withdrawal in consideration of other swimmers and coaches.
- ii. It is the responsibility of the Club who entered the swimmer(s) to inform the Entries Administrator of the withdrawal.
- iv. Clubs may withdraw swimmers prior to the Winter Competition at any time, to the Entries Administrator, by email entries@yorkshireswimming.org, by the deadlines below.
- v. Refunds for non-swims are at the discretion of YSA Management Board and/or Competition Promoter and may need a medical certificate or other evidence.
- vi. Withdrawals should be emailed to the Entries Administrator: entries@yorkshireswimming.org before 5pm on the **Thursday** before the first day of the Competition (Saturday).
- vii. This requirement is for withdrawals on either day.

Start Lists

- i. Seeded Heat Start Lists (HSLs), for all the weekend's events, will be produced by 8 pm on the Thursday before the Competition weekend.
- ii. Start Lists will be available to print from https://yorkshireswimming.org/speed-swimming/ by the times above.
- iii. HEAT START LISTS PLEASE NOTE
- iv. CLUBS, PARENTS, COACHES, SWIMMERS & OFFICIALS MAY PRINT ANY START LISTS THAT THEY REQUIRE BEFORE THEY ARRIVE AT THE MEET VENUE.
- v. START LISTS will be available online throughout the competition (as web pages and pdf documents) from the results website on https://yorkshireswimming.org/speed-swimming/ and will be updated as required.
- vi. Anything not covered in this document, and those referred to above, is at the discretion of the YSA Swimming Committee/Competition Promoter.

Awards

i. Medals will be presented to the swimmers finishing in First, Second & Third places in the age groups: 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16 &over. Hats will be presented to swimmers finishing in 4th to 10th places in the 9,10,11 & 12 years age groups.