

71st Annual County Swimming Championships and Age Group Competitions (Under Swim England Regulations & Technical Rules)

2023 GENERAL CONDITIONS & INFORMATION

All competitors must be registered with Swim England as category 2 swimmers, for the club in whose name they wish to enter by the closing date for the entries, 09/12/22. Any competitor swimming in any other County's Championships in 2023 shall not be permitted to compete in the Lincolnshire County Championships in 2023.

Closing Dates for entries - Midnight Thursday 09/12/22.

All Swimmers competing at the Championships must be members of a club which is affiliated to Lincolnshire ASA, by the closing date for entries 09/12/22.

Entries will only be accepted from a club official in electronic format, using the entry file to be provided to club secretaries. All entry times must have been taken from the British swimming rankings and therefore achieved at licensed meets levels 1-4 only.

Entries to Promoter – Tanya Talkes, email tanya.talkes83@gmail.com. Any queries to: Tanya Talkes, 3 Sympson Close, Lincoln, LN2 4UY. Telephone 07786 172 774.

No splits (individual or relay) are allowed as qualifying times.

Entry times submitted must be within the published qualifying standards and have been achieved, after 1st March 2022 in licensed competitions levels 1-4.

Fee per event is £7.50. No refunds will be given (unless on medical grounds as decided by promoter).

Entry times or the swimmers club cannot be changed once the entry has been submitted.

Swimmers whose Swim England membership record details a disability sport classification (S1-S14) are welcome to enter the competition with a time slower than the lower limit standard.

There are separate events and consideration times for the following age groups, i.e., 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs and 16yrs and over.

All ages are as at 31st December 2023. Minimum entry age is 10 years as at 31/12/23 (via 10/11 consideration time).

Late or incomplete or incorrect entries will not be accepted under any circumstances. Any fee paid will be forfeited.

The promoter reserves the right to limit entries. Should this be necessary, entries furthest away from the County Consideration Time will be rejected. Refunds will be provided for any rejections.



Ages for Junior Championships where applicable are: Boys 14yrs and younger, and Girls 14yrs and younger age as on 31/12/23.

All 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m events will be swum as spearhead seeded based on submitted times. All events with Finals (50m and 100m events), will be spearhead seeded apart from the last 3 heats, which will be cyclically seeded. Finals are spearheaded by default.

The top 3 swimmers in each age group for each event which is HDW will receive an age-group medal.

In all the 50m and 100m events there will be Heats and subsequent Finals for the fastest 8 swimmers in each of the age groups – 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs and 16yrs and over. The top 3 placed swimmers in each Final will receive Finalist Medals. Two reserves may be called on as appropriate for each final.

In all events the three fastest overall swimmers and the three fastest Juniors will be awarded Championship medals.

The winners of each Championship will receive the perpetual trophy (where such a trophy exists) for one year and this must be returned cleaned, prior to the commencement of the following years Championships.

Top Club at the Championships is calculated using a 3, 2, 1 points system for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed swimmers in all events. If the event has a Final, then the heats in that event will not count towards the points totals.

Top Male and Female Disability swimmers will be awarded a trophy after the championships, based on the number of Disability points scored.

There will be a secondary strobe available at the Championships.

Junior and Championship records will still be registered against all relevant events.

The Lincolnshire ASA Championships promoter reserves the right to alter the order of events and start times as required.

The Championships will be run under any local Covid restrictions that may be in place at the time. The promoter reserves the right to change any conditions in the event of new Covid requirements to ensure safe delivery of the event, for example, but not limited to, the removal of finals and reducing the number of swimmers per event.

The promoter will inform all attendees prior to the championships of any Covid requirements that will be in place in conjunction with pool providers, including restrictions on spectators numbers etc.

In the event a swimmer is withdrawn for any none compliance to the conditions they will not be eligible for a refund. The promoter reserves the right to withdraw any swimmer for failure to comply with any Championship conditions.

Once a withdrawal from either a heat or final has been submitted a swimmer cannot be reinstated unless this is an error by the Championship administration team.



Any entry which fails to comply with any special or general condition governing a Lincolnshire County ASA Competition will not be accepted.

No physical programmes will be produced for these Championships.

Time Trials will not be permitted during these Championships.

Protests shall be made and dealt with as detailed in Swim England Regulations & Technical Rules.

Please be aware that NO abusive, aggressive or offensive behaviour will be tolerated at these Championships and any person adjudged to have been guilty of such behaviour will be asked to leave the Competition and further actions may be taken where deemed to be appropriate. All coaches, will be required to adhere to a Code Of Conduct for the Championships, in order to receive a poolside pass.

Clubs are kindly requested to provide Officials for these Championships. Lunch will be provided to all qualified officials who officiate for any full day of competition.

Coaches Poolside Passes can be purchased at a cost of £10 each (if require lunch) or £5 each if do not require lunch. These fees include start lists. Forms will be provided for coaches to complete preferences after entries have been processed. The number of passes to be permitted per club will be decided by the promoter.

Relays

£10 fee per team per relay. Age as at 31/12/23. Declaration sheets will be supplied to each club, these must specify each swimmer and the relay order of the team and sent to the promoter (tanya.talkes83@gmail.com) by Sunday 15th January 2023. There will be an opportunity on the day of competition to make any amendments needed to each team. Relay teams must have at least two swimmers with one or more qualifying county time to be eligible to take part. Limited to one relay team per age group per club for each relay event. Team awards for the fastest team per event.