

# **N&DSA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS 2016**

The organisation of the Swimming Championships shall be in the hands of the NDSA Management Board with powers delegated to The Championship Manager. The Championships shall be held under the relevant FINA/ASA Technical & Judicial Rules/Laws.

The Championships shall be open to all bona fide members of Clubs affiliated to NDSA who hold a valid ASA Swimmer Registration and where required the relevant Entry Time. A swimmer may only represent one Club throughout the Championship year.

No individual may compete in more than one ASA Counties Championships in any one calendar year.

For age group purposes a swimmer's age is their age **as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016**

Standard Entry Times (SET) shall be fixed annually for all individual events. Qualifying times must have been achieved no earlier than 1 January 2015 and be downloaded from the British Swimming Rankings. Only such times will be accepted for entry. Converted times will be accepted using the ASA Equivalent Performance Tables.

In the Multi-Classification Events for swimmers with a valid Disability Classification, Championships Entry Standards will be determined as required by the ASANER Disability Development Officer.

The entry fees shall be set annually by the NDSA Management Board.

Individual Entry Fee is £7.00 for Entries received by 20 January 2016

Individual Entry Fee for Entries received during the period 21 January – 26 February is £10.00

Championship entries must be made by the relevant Club Official using the Sportsystems Entry Manager system, which is available upon request, from the NDSA Administrator at [ndswimmingentry@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ndswimmingentry@hotmail.co.uk) and must reach the Championship Manager no later than the published closing dates. Payment and the Club Summary Form must also reach the Championship Administrator no later than the published closing dates.

Submitted entry times will be used for seeding and rejection purposes where necessary.

The Championship Manager has the authority to adjust the number of entries accepted to ensure the smooth running of the Championships.

The order in which the events will take place will be published annually in the schedule of events, which will be shown on the NDSA website no later than 30 September preceding the Championships.

A draft Entry List will be posted on the NDSA website prior to the Event.

The maximum number of lanes available will be used for both heats and finals.

In all N&DSA Championship events a withdrawal system will be in operation. Seeded Heat Start Lists will be produced prior to the start time of the Session. If a swimmer is NOT going to swim in an event it is the responsibility of the club entering the swimmer to inform the championship manager no later than 5pm the day before the heats of that event takes place. Clubs may do this prior to the championships by e mailing [ndswimmingentry@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ndswimmingentry@hotmail.co.uk) or at the event by completing the form provided. Should a swimmer who has not been withdrawn from an event fail to swim, the club entering the swimmer may incur an administration fee of **£10.00**.

Age Groups for the Championships are:-10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16&Over.

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Team staff requiring access to the poolside must be in possession of a Pass issued by the NDSA. The fee for 2016 is £25 per coach/team manager on poolside and covers the whole Championships. It is expected that all Team Staff can comply with the relevant ASA Child Protection Procedures and have attended a Team Managers Training Course.

For insurance purposes, please be advised that only coaches, team managers, competitors and Event staff will be allowed on poolside. On no account should any other persons be on poolside.

NDSA will NOT be responsible for any unaccompanied swimmers on the poolside. The responsibility falls on the club entering the swimmer.

It is the intention of the NDSA to provide a warm-up/swim-down facility at the Championships. These will be supervised by venue staff/warm-up marshals and the Championship Administrator. Swimmers using these facilities must follow any instructions issued by these persons. Clubs via their coaches/team managers will be held responsible for the behaviour/actions of their swimmers using these facilities.

Officials - The Championships cannot be run without a full team of licensed officials. Clubs must provide at least one licensed official for each day that they have a swimmer, or swimmers, competing. Failing to do so will result in a fine of £50 for each day where a club has a swimmer, but no official.

Photography – The rules and standing operating procedures (SOPs) of the facility where the Championships are being held must be observed and anyone wishing to use photographic equipment (including still, video, digital and mobile phone cameras) at any Championships Meet will be required to sign the ASA Video/Photography Book.

Names of finalists and reserve swimmers will be published in the pool hall and announced over the public announcement system.

Qualifying swimmers/teams **including the two reserves** not wishing to take part in a final are required to inform the Recorders no later than 15 minutes after the last individual/team event in the Session.

Withdrawals made after this time will be subject to a £15.00 administration charge. The responsibility of payment shall rest with the club under whose name the entry has been made. Exceptions may be made in special circumstances accepted by the Championship Administrator or their deputy.

NDSA medals shall be awarded to places 1-3 in all Championship events.

The NDSA Board has the power to vary the Championship Conditions prior to an event closing date.

If in doubt please contact the Championship Administrator at [ndswimmingentry@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ndswimmingentry@hotmail.co.uk)

**The Lead Referee for the 2016 Championships is Mr Fred Murray who can be contacted at:**  
[fredmurray@sky.com](mailto:fredmurray@sky.com)

# **N&DSA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS 2016**

## **Tom Randall Memorial Trophy**

The Tom Randall Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the club scoring the highest points total in the age categories 10/11, 12, 13 and 14 yrs. Individual points shall be awarded 10 to 1 for competitors placed 1 to 10 for the Events that have finals or from the heats of a heat declared winner event.

## **Guy North Trophy**

The Guy North Trophy will be awarded to the club winning the most gold medals across the Championship events. In the event of a tie the trophy will be awarded to the club winning the most gold and silver.

## **Mark Latimer Memorial Trophy**

The Mark Latimer Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the club scoring the highest points total in the age categories of 15yrs and 16/Over yrs. Individual points will be awarded 10 to 1 for competitors placed 1 to 10 in the finals of open events or from the heats of a heat declared winner event.