

Suffolk County ASA
Development Championship Conditions

1. The venue of the Championships, which will be conducted in strict accordance with ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules, shall be in Suffolk and whenever possible at Crown Pools, Ipswich
2. Competitors must have been a bona fide member of a club affiliated to the Association for 90 days prior to the date of the competition, and be registered as a Category 2 swimmer in accordance with ASA Laws. A swimmer who enters or takes part in these Championships must not represent another County or compete in or have competed in another County's Championships in the same calendar year.
3. The entry fee for Individual events and the schedule of events shall be fixed and agreed by the County Executive prior to the Annual General Meeting.
4. Entries, on the official entry form, together with the entry fee, must reach the Honorary Development Championship Secretary of the Association by the closing date specified. All fees so deposited must be handed over to the Honorary Treasurer of the Association. Certification of the Individual entry forms must be signed by the Competitor and countersigned by a Club Official as being correct. Parents / Guardians can refuse permission for children under the age of 18 to have photographs taken during the Championships that may be used for publicity purposes but must do so in writing to the Honorary Development Championships Secretary by the closing date for entries to be received.
5. Any competitor failing to comply with conditions 2 or 4 will be liable to disqualification and to forfeit any fees that may have been paid.
6. The first 3 swimmers in each age group event will receive an award.
7. A Lead Referee will be appointed from the closing date for entries to deal with any protest prior to the event. The appointment of Referees, Judges and Timekeepers, who must be on the National List, shall be made by the Honorary Development Championship Secretary or a person nominated by him/her. Where practicable, a Jury of Appeal will be appointed by the Honorary Championship Secretary, whose Chairman will have swimming qualifications equal or superior to the Lead Referee.
8. The Honorary Development Championship Secretary or a person nominated by him/her shall notify all appointed officials and competitors of the times and dates at which the Championships will be held. Such notice must be given at least five days before the date of the Championships.
9. Alterations to these conditions can only be made by a two-thirds majority of members eligible to vote present at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting convened for that purpose. Twenty days notice of any proposed alterations to be given to the Honorary Secretary of the Association.
10. These Championships will normally be swum during June, the format and dates to be recommended by the Honorary Development Championship Secretary with due regard to the fixed league dates (i.e. National Swimming League, Fenland League etc.) and ratified by the Executive.
11. Age Groups for these Championships to be Female 9, 10, 11, 12, 13,14/15 & 16+, Male 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/16 & 17+. The events available for each age group will be as shown on the Qualifying Times issued each year.
12. Where a card system is used, completed cards will be issued to each club at least seven days before the date of the event. Cards must be posted at least 30 minutes before the start of the gala by swimmers intending to compete. These will be arranged into heats and annotated with the final lane numbers, and returned to the swimmers. After each block of the Championships, the cards will be returned to the club's for distribution to swimmers.
13. Where the meet is run without re-entry cards, a list will be sent to all competing Clubs detailing swimmer entries for all events. Any errors must be reported to the Development Championship Secretary by e-mail or in writing by the date given in the information pack. After this date no further changes, omissions or errors will be taken

into account and the entry fee will be forfeited. Start sheets will be compiled for all events on the basis of this information. Swimmers not competing on the day should be notified to the Event Team using the withdrawal form provided. Swimmers will be seeded slowest to fastest in all events and all heats will be spearheaded. The heat and lane number allocated to each competitor will be published on start lists issued on the day. Competitors are responsible to report to the Competitors Stewards and should be aware that if they miss their heat for any reason, they may not be able to swim in a later heat.

14. Time only swims in any event will not be allowed
15. The number of entries to the Championships may be limited under the following conditions:
 - a) Entries with times slower or higher than the qualifying times will be rejected
 - b) The slowest entries may be rejected at the discretion of the Promoters to conform with licensing criteria
 - c) All entry times must be achieved after September 1st of the preceding year of the Championships
16. The County will make every effort to ensure that the Championships are licensed by the ASA and if successful will comply with the requirements of licensing.
17. Any questions arising for which these conditions do not provide will be determined at the Promoter's discretion.