

## Swim England North East Regional Open Swimming Championships (25m) 2024

The organisation of the Swimming Championships shall be in the hands of the SENER Board with powers delegated to the Swimming Manager & Championship Administrator who shall have the power to cancel, postpone or change the Championships venue and/or format due to reasons beyond their control. The Championships shall be held under the relevant Swim England/WPS Regulations and Technical Rules of Swimming.

1(a) The Championships shall be open to all bona fide members of Clubs affiliated to the SENER who hold a valid Swim England Swimmer Registration and the relevant Consideration Time.

Swimmers with a valid Para Swimming Classification, held on the Swim England Membership Database, may swim in the Championships. A secondary stroke should be available.

(b) A swimmers age is as on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

2(a) Championship entries must be made by the relevant Club Official using the Online Entry System. (Entry Fee Individual £9.50 per entry) The Entry closing date is the 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024. 25m pool Consideration times have been set and published. Converted times from a 50m pool will be accepted.

**(b) The Entries Manager has the authority to adjust the number of entries accepted to ensure the smooth running of the Championships, including if a Capacity limit is imposed on the venue.**

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

3(a) A swimmers entry time must be downloadable from British Rankings and have been achieved since 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 at an event Licensed at Levels 1 – 3. Times cannot be edited before entry.

4(a) Team Staff requiring access to the poolside must be in possession of a Pass. Passes must be obtained by using the National Pass Application System at a fee of £5 each. The pass allows access to for both the 25m Championships.

5(a) All Individual events will have Finals for the following Age Groups: 16 & under & Open, with the exception of the 800m, 1500m Freestyle which will be Heat Declared Winner. Medals will be awarded to swimmers placed first, second & third in the Open Final. Medals will also be awarded to the first, second and third placed 16 & under swimmers preference being given to times recorded in the Open Final

6(a) A withdrawal system will be in operation. Seeded heat start lists will be produced prior to the start of each 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 Entries Manager no later than 12noon the day before the heats of that event take place. An online Withdrawal Process will be used. There will be no paper withdrawal forms. 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 £15.

7(a) Qualifying Individual Finalists, including 2 reserves, not wishing to take part in a final are required to inform the recorders no later than 15 minutes after the last event in the Session.

(b) An individual who, having qualified for a final, fails to swim and has not previously given notice of withdrawal to the Recorders (see Para (a) above) shall incur an administration fee of £25. The responsibility for payment of the fee shall rest on the Club under whose name the entry was made.

8(a) It is the intention to provide a Warm Up/Swim Down facility at the Championships. These will be supervised by the facility staff. Swimmers using these facilities must follow any instructions issued by these supervisors. Clubs through their Team Staff will be responsible for the behaviour/actions of their swimmers at all times within the facility.