

Worcester County Swimming Association (WCSA)
Development Meet 2008

Promoters Conditions

ASA Laws & ASA Technical Rules (Affiliated to West Midlands Region ASA & Worcester County SA)

1. All entrants must be registered members of a Club affiliated to WCSA and amateurs as defined by ASA Laws.

2. Entries must be on correctly completed forms (photocopies accepted) and sent in by the Clubs nominated Swimming Representative and accompanied one Club Cheque - individual events: £4.50. **Entries must be returned together with the entry fee by midnight Friday 25th July 2008 to:**
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Electronic entries are asked from clubs with more than 5 swimmers competing. Please send your electronic entry files to stewart.nicklin@btinternet.com

3. A list of acceptances and rejections will be sent to each Club's Swimming Representative approximately two weeks before the gala; all amendments should be notified to the promoter as soon as possible.

4. Ages as at day of competition (14th September 2008).

5. The promoters reserve the right to refuse any entry. Submitted times **MUST** be personal best times (achieved in a 25m pool or converted accordingly) and **MUST** be no faster than the UPPER Qualifying times. Special attention is drawn to this condition of entry and the organiser's reserve the right instigate disciplinary proceedings against any Swimmer or Club Official who is found to have submitted times slower than a previous best in order to gain entry. Incorrect entries will not be accepted. Entries are accepted on the understanding that the competitor accepts the promoter's conditions. The Promoter reserves the right to further restrict entries for good Gala management.

6. Speeding allowances for each event are as follows. Age groups 9 & 10 for 50m events 2.5 seconds and for 100m IM 3.5 seconds, 11 & 12 age groups for 50m events 2 seconds and for 100m IM 3.5 seconds

7. Any swimmer swimming faster than the cut off times (after the allowances) will receive a speeding ticket.

8. No refunds will be made to competitors who withdraw after advice of acceptance.

9. County Coaches' passes will be used and can be purchased prior to the Gala from the County Treasurer.

10. All swimmers, ASA 16 & under must be under the supervision of the Club Coach (or a designated Club Official) in possession of a poolside pass, at all times, during Warm-ups, in competition and while in the vicinity of the pool.

11. Club registration forms will be sent to each Club's Swimming Representative prior to the gala; these must be completed and handed in 15 minutes after the start of warm-up.

12. Heats may have 'over the top' starts.

13. The order of events may be changed at the discretion of the referee.

14. Entries will be seeded into heats from submitted times, with the slowest heat first.

15. All events, apart from the skins will be heat declared winners. Awards will be given for the top 3 places in each age group. The groups are – 9, 10, 11, 12.

16. The fastest swimmers (equal to the number of lanes available) from both the Male and Female 100m Individual Medley events will go forward to a separate Mixed Stroke Skins 50m final event.

17. The Skins events will take the following form:

17.1. The number of rounds will be one less than the number of lanes available. There will be 90 seconds between each round, alternating male/female.

17.2. Slowest swimmer in each race is eliminated.

17.3. The stroke for each 50m will be drawn by the referee for the 1st 50m of each the male and female skins. All subsequent 50m swims will be drawn by the swimmer being eliminated.

17.4. Each swimmer is allocated a lane in which they remain for all the rounds until the final round; in the final round the two remaining swimmers are allocated the centre lanes of the pool.

17.5. It is the duty of the swimmer to be at the start on time for the next round and to get on the blocks.

17.6. The Chief Timekeeper will time the intervals between the races; and inform the starter when it is time to give the 10 second warning and the start of the next round at 90 seconds.

17.7. In the event of a disqualification, no other swimmer will be eliminated.

17.8. If the last two swimmers in a race are equal, neither are eliminated; both proceed to the next round when the two slowest swimmers will be eliminated.

18. For the Skins final there will be cash prizes. Any competitor disqualified will not receive an award for that event.

19. The promoters reserve the right to amend these conditions as necessary.

20. The event is run under ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules, and the ASA Laws on Open Competitions shall cover any laws not covered by the promoter's conditions.