

SHROPSHIRE COUNTY AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018 **PROMOTERS RULES AND CONDITIONS**

1: DATES AND VENUES:

The competition shall be as per the schedule of events, and shall take place on 13th, 14th, 20th and 21st January 2018 at Central Baths, Wolverhampton, then on 27th January 2018 at Thomas Telford School (800m and 1500m events).

2: ENTRIES:

All entries must be made to the County Gala Co-ordinator via Sports Systems entry file. The closing date for entries and payment will be 1st December 2017. No late entries will be accepted.

Entry Criteria:

Swimmers submitted entry time must be taken from Rankings. There will be no facility for Entry Managers to edit ranking times. Entry times must be **equal to or faster** than the Qualifying times published for each event. There will be no time only swims.

The number of entries to the Championships may be limited under the following circumstances:
The slowest entries within the qualifying times may be rejected at the discretion of the promoter if this is deemed necessary to comply with licensing regulations regarding the proposed length of session/s. In this instance a refund will be made for each rejected entry.

There will be **no refund** of entry fees for any entry submitted with a time outside the published qualifying times.

3: WITHDRAWALS:

Withdrawals from events must be made in writing by either the relevant Club coach or nominated representative by the time specified by the promoter.

Decisions on late withdrawals and penalties will be at the discretion of the Promoter.

4: COMPETITORS:

All competitors must wear costumes which conform to ASA Laws and Technical Rules.

Swimmers are expected to conduct themselves in a correct manner and display a good standard of behaviour both on and off poolside.

5: ELIGIBILITY:

Competitors must have been a bona fide member of a Club affiliated to Shropshire County ASA for a period of not less than 30 days prior to the first date of competition and be registered 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 Counties Championships in the same calendar year. Should a swimmer be found to have broken this rule, their recorded times shall be removed from the results and any medals won shall be returned to the promoter.

A swimmer can only swim for one Club in individual events.

6: OFFICIALS:

All officials will need to be licensed for the job that they have been allocated.

7: EVENTS:

All events shall be seeded on submitted entry times.

The age groups will be as follows:-

10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16+

In the case of 400 Individual Medley, 800/1500 metre swims, the age groups will be:-

12, 13, 14, 15, 16+.

There will be finals for 50m and 100m events. For the 16+ age group there will be a 'B' final in each event where numbers are sufficient for this to take place.

8: PROTESTS AND COMPLAINTS:

These will only be accepted by the Referee in accordance with ASA Laws and Technical Rules, and, where possible will be dealt with by the Referee or Jury of Appeal, if one is appointed.

9: PROGRAMME OF EVENTS:

For practical purposes of expediency the Promoter reserves the right to change the order of events in the programme with the concurrence of the Referee and the competitors or their representatives.

10: COUNTY AGE GROUP RECORDS:

County Age Group Records are times set in the County Age Group Championships only, and may be achieved in any of the events in the programme.

Times achieved in official county trials or at any other event will not constitute a County Age Group Record.

11: MEDALS AND TROPHIES:

Awards will be made to the first, second and third placed swimmers in each age group of each event. There will not be awards for 'B' finalists.

Presentations will be made to the top boy and girl in each age group based on position points. In the event of a tie, the result will be decided by count back of the number of first, second and third places to decide an overall winner.

Points will be awarded to all 8 finalist's, 8 points down to 1 point. (In HDW events the same will apply for the top 8)

12: PROMOTER:

The Promoter shall be the County Gala Coordinator. The Promoter may deputise any or all of their responsibilities to a named person if this is deemed necessary.

Any matter not covered above will be dealt with at the discretion of the Promoter.

13: AGES:

These Championships will be swum Age as of the 31st December 2018.

14: WARM UP:

The use of **Training Aids** are not permitted during the **WARM UP**.

15: COACHES PASSES:

Clubs can apply for up to 4 free Coaches Passes – these are available from The County Gala Co-ordinator.

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