



Swim Wales Long Course Championships (50m) (Closed) 2015

Official event web page:

<http://www.swimwales.org/events/swim-wales-long-course-closed-championships-2015.aspx?date=2015-04-03>

Licence No: 015SWNL-003

Meet Conditions

- (a) Swim Wales reserves full control over all Swim Wales National competition.
- (b) The 2015 meet shall be held on 3rd – 6th April at Wales National Pool, Swansea
- (c) The meet will be run under the Swim Wales general meet conditions, Technical Rules of FINA and any additional conditions published in the Meet Information.
- (d) Entries will be accepted from:
 - Welsh based swimmers who competed in one of the Swim Wales Regional Championships 2015 and were ranked up to 24th in an event in the merged results and meet the published consideration time for the meet.
 - A swimmer who was unable to compete in the Swim Wales Regional Competition 2015, but is ranked 1-8 in Wales 6 months prior to the Regional Competition, may be considered for entry on receipt of a doctors/medical certificate.
 - Welsh registered swimmers based outside Wales who are listed between 1st -24th places on the Welsh Long/Short Course rankings from 1st Dec 2014 – 8th Feb 2015 and meet the consideration times of the meet.
- (e) A list of eligible swimmers will be posted on the above webpage after 8th February. Entry will then be made via an online entry system which will open **Fri 20th February**.
- (f) A second round entry maybe opened after the initial closing date for swimmers ranked 25-32 from the Swim Wales Regional Competition 2015 ranking list.
- (g) Swim Wales reserves the right to limit the entry to 16th place where appropriate to ensure there is not a breach of meet licensing rules.
- (h) Ages as at 31st December 2015.
- (i) Entries will close at **12 noon on Wednesday 11th March 2015**.
- (j) Any 'swim off' events swum during the meet will only be used to establish a swimmers position and the times will not be submitted to British Swimming rankings.

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The events

(a) **Age Groups: Individual**

Male & Female: 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16/17, 18 & over

Age Groups: Relays

Male & Female: 11-13, 14- 16, 17 & over

- (b) Individual events less than 400m will be heats and finals. Individual events 400m, 800m & 1500m will be heat declared winner
- (c) All Relays will be Heat Declared Winner and will be swum in the finals.
- (d) All individual event heats will be seeded by time and not age and will be swum in age bands: 11-13 / 14 – 18 & over.

Entries

- (a) Entries shall be received by the National Entries Administrator by the relevant closing date accompanied by the relevant entry fee. (Individual £9.00 Relays £17).
- (b) A second round entry maybe opened after the initial closing date for swimmers ranked 25-32 from the Swim Wales Regional Competition 2015 ranking list.
- (c) Swim Wales reserves the right to accept entries outside the meet qualifying time but those entries will be marked as an exhibition swimmer. An exhibition swimmer will not qualify to progress to a final or gain a medal position.
- (d) Entry will be by means of an online system. Cheques/BACS payments will not be accepted for payment. Payment must be made for all entries at the time of entry via the online system.
- (e) All competitors must have equalled or bettered the entry consideration time in one of the Swim Wales Regional Competitions 2015.
- (f) The National Entries Administrator may request validation of any stated entry time at any time.
- (g) All entries into Relay events will be seeded randomly and do not require a time at point of entry.

Heats

- (a) **Heats:** Swimmers **must** report to poolside marshalling located adjacent to the changing village entrance. Swimmers should follow the directions given by the Steward. It is the swimmers responsibility to report in good time.
- (b) All HDW / long distance swimmers 400m and above must sign in, at the Information desk located in the front reception area, within 10 minutes of the published **start time** of the warm up of the **session** the event is being swum in.

Withdrawal from heats

- (a) Swim Wales no longer require withdrawal notification from heats. Lanes will be swum empty where a competitor is not present.
- (b) Competitors who have entered into any HDW/long distances events (400m, 800m & 1500m) and wish to withdraw should not sign in for the event.

Finals

- (a) Finals will be swum as; 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16/17 years, 18 & over
- (b) 8 swimmers and 2 reserves will be declared for each final less than 400m.
- (c) Finals will be swum for events unless there are less than 4 competitors in the final, where Swim Wales reserves the right to declare the event as a heat declared winner final
- (d) Individual finalists and reserve finalists shall declare to the Chief Recorder situated beneath the scoreboard, within 15 minutes of the finish of the last individual event in the heat session, if they intend to withdraw from a final. The withdrawal should be made on the official withdrawal form.
- (e) Competitors withdrawing on medical grounds after the expiry of the imposed deadline shall have their withdrawal endorsed by the Event Manager or such person as he/she shall nominate.
- (f) An individual competitor shall be fined the sum of £50 if they fail to notify the Chief Recorder of a withdrawal within the stipulated time.
- (g) Where a reserve is brought in at short notice, the reserve shall occupy the vacant lane and there will be no amendments made to the allocation of lanes.

Relay Declarations

- (a) Clubs must complete a relay declaration form, which must be handed to the Information Desk at least 60 minutes before the advertised start of the warm up session in which the relevant team event takes place. Teams not complying with this instruction will lose their right to compete. Where a club has more than one team in an event, a swimmer who has been declared for one team may not compete for another team in the same event.

Administration

- (a) Coaches will be required to obtain an accreditation pass in advance of the closing date for entries, unless they hold a Swim Wales Annual Coaches pass. Application forms for accreditation are available from the event webpage.
- (b) Coach's accreditation will be issued on arrival at the competition venue. Please bring photographic ID for collection purposes. No passes will be issued during the meet.

- (c) All competing clubs will have an information box located at the Information Desk in the front reception area. This will be used for communication purposes during the meet.

Trophies & Medals

- (a) Welsh Long Course champion trophies will be presented to the fastest Welsh swimmer in each final.
- (b) Medals will be awarded to the swimmers placed second and third.
- (c) Best Club shield will be presented to the highest scoring team based on medal points awarded 1-8 to each finalist within the individual events.
- (d) The Roland Jones Memorial Cup will be presented to Welsh Youth Swimmer (14/15yrs Girls or 15/16yrs Boys) achieving the highest number of FINA Points in any one event over the first three days of the competition.

Doping Control

Competitors taking part in the competition may be subject to random doping control.

Spectator Fee

Ticket prices

Heats: £4 per session

Day Pass: £7

Weekend pass: £25 (only sold on the first day of the meet)

Children under 8 years: Free

½ price Concessionary rates are available for disability, students and senior citizens.

Photography

- (a) During the competition professional photography, video or the media appointed by Swim Wales maybe present. Any photographs taken maybe published.
- (b) When the competition involves young persons under the age of 18 years all types of photographic/videoing equipment (including a mobile phone with image capturing facility) should be registered on arrival. Photographic bands should be visible when using any equipment.

