



WESTON SUPER MARE S.C.

Affiliated to Swim England South West Region and Somerset ASA. Under Swim England Laws and Regulations and Swim England Technical Rules of Racing



WSMSC Easter OPEN MEET RULES & CONDITIONS

Event license & Pool

1. The competition will be held under Swim England Laws and Regulations and Swim England Technical Rules of Racing. This event is LICENSED by Swim England at Level 3 (SW200166).
2. All competitors must be category 2 registered. Registration must be with Swim England, Swim Wales or Scottish Swimming and competitors may only compete in the name of one club.
3. The Promoter of the Open Meet shall be the Weston-Super-Mare SC Open Meet Committee.
4. The pool length is 25m, has eight lanes and will be equipped with electronic timing with full display and anti-wave lane ropes.

Programme of Events, Medals & Points

5. All events are Heat Declared Winners.
6. The events are as follows:

Distance	Stroke / Event	Age groups
50m	Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly & Freestyle	9,10,11,12,13,14,15/Over
100m	Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Freestyle & Individual Medley	9,10,11,12,13,14,15/Over
200m	Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Freestyle & Individual Medley	10,11,12,13,14,15/Over

7. Individual Age Groups for medals are 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15/over.
8. **Ages will be as at 12TH April 2020.**
9. Medals will be given to the **top 6** placed swimmers in all age groups, apart from the 15/over age category which will be awarded to the **top 3** placed swimmers, in each event.
10. In addition to the individual awards, the following overall awards will be presented at the end of the meet:
 - i). Top boy and top girl swimmers in the following age groups:
9years, 10years, 11years, 12years, 13years, 14years and 15years /Over.
 - ii). Top visiting club.
11. Event points will be scored for all eligible swims.

Place	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th
Points	8pts	7pts	6pts	5pts	4pts	3pts	2pts	1pt

In the event of a tie for any of the awards, we will issue 2 awards.

12. Heats will be swum with all age groups combined and swimmers will be seeded by entry times.
13. Entries must not be faster than the Upper Limit for each event.
14. A secondary strobe will not be made available.
15. 'Over the Top Starts' will be used at the Referee's discretion.
16. Hot Heats – Throughout the weekend, random heats will be nominated as 'Hot Heats'. Before the heat is started, the desk will announce the heat. The winner of the heat will win a cash prize.

Entries

17. The Entry Fee is £6.00 per event.
18. Full instructions for the download of the electronic HyTek entry file are included on the Weston-super-Mare Swimming Club Teamunify website at: www.wsmc.co.uk
19. **All entries must be submitted in ONE electronic entry file format and e-mailed to openmeet@wsmc.co.uk**
20. No entries will be accepted or amended **after** the closing date of **midnight Friday 20TH March 2020**.
21. All entries will be considered up until midnight of the closing date **Friday 20TH March 2020**.
22. If the open meet is excessively over-subscribed, the promoters reserve the right to reject some of the **fastest entries** of each age group across all events at their discretion. This will allow us to keep the length of the sessions within permitted licensing guidelines.
23. Swimmers are expected to submit authentic qualifying entry times which maybe randomly checked.
24. It will be the responsibility of the Club submitting the Electronic entry to ensure the accuracy of entries prior to submitting to WSMSC. **Mistakes made by clubs in their electronic entry files will not be corrected by Weston-super-Mare SC open meet committee members.**
25. Individual entries must also be submitted electronically and **must** include the entrant's Member ID registration number and date of birth, together with the relevant entry fees.
26. Entries will not be registered unless accompanied with the FULL correct entry fee.
27. **All Entries must be paid at the time of entry, any clubs not having paid by the closing date of the 20th March 2020 may not be entered into the meet**

On the Day Entries ('Deck Entries')

28. Prior to the commencement of each session, deck entries will be accepted on a '**first come first served basis**' if there are any empty lanes available, without creating any additional heats. Deck entries will cost £7.00 per event and payment will be required before the entry is accepted in **Cash Only**. Deck entries which are not accepted will be refunded in full.
29. Deck entries will be treated as time trials/exhibition swims and will therefore **NOT** be eligible for points or medals. Where possible deck entries will be placed into appropriate heats based upon their submitted entry time, which **MUST** fall within the upper qualifying times for the relevant event, as stated within the information pack for this open meet.
30. Should a swimmer who has entered via a deck entry decide to withdraw or is unable to swim that event, no refund will be given, and no substitute swimmer will be permitted either.
31. Once a session has started, no deck entries will be accepted for that session.

Payment Details

32. Please make your payment by BACS, using the following bank account details:
Bank: Barclays Bank Plc
Account Name: Weston-super-Mare Swimming Club
Sort Code: 20-68-15
Account: 53084396
Please include a reference to identify the Club or individual swimmer for whom the payment relates. Please use tag 'EOM' followed by Club identifier or name of swimmer. For example:
EOM-CASC for Clevedon Swimming Club OR
EOM-MSmith for M Smith
33. Cheques should be made payable to: Weston-s-Mare Swimming Club and sent to the organiser's address as detailed below before the closing date of the 20th March 2020.

Refunds, Withdrawals and Rejected Entries

34. Any information in respect of rejected entries will be sent to clubs as soon as possible after the closing date. All refunds will be paid via BACS payment after the meet

35. Refunds for withdrawals after the closing date will **only** be given upon production of a valid medical certificate.
36. Competitors' times will be computer processed and results sheets will be displayed in the marshalling and spectator's areas as soon as practically possible.
37. Competitors' times will also be available to view on Meet Mobile.

Coach/Team Manager Passes

38. Clubs attending this meet must purchase at least one coach/team manager (TM) pass for every 10 swimmers entered (**minimum of 1 and a maximum of 4 per club**). Coach/TM passes will cost: Saturday - £10.00, Sunday - £10.00, or both days - £15.00. Entries will not be accepted without the purchase of the appropriate number of passes – they must be arranged in advance. Clubs will **NOT** be able to purchase passes on either day of the Open Meet.
39. Coach/TM passes must be ordered with club entries and must be worn at all times during the meet (no-one will be allowed in the designated swimmer areas without a pass – this will be enforced). All coaches and TMs must hold a current DBS accreditation (checks will be made at the meet). Their details must be entered on the Coach/Team Manager Pass Application Form and be forwarded along with their entry forms.

Spectators/Photography/Video at the Meet

40. There will be a charge for spectators:
 - One day will cost £5
 - £8 for the whole weekend
 - Under-16s will be free
41. Anyone wishing to partake in close, zoom or video photography using a camera or mobile phone **must** comply with the SE guidelines. It is no longer a requirement that you sign a register to use any photographic device, however the guidelines on consent and decency **MUST** always apply throughout the Open Meet. Photography guidance applies to all images and recordings taken on any camera, mobile phone or other recording devices. Social media guidance will apply if these images or recordings are being shared through any social media platform. These guidelines apply to everyone – spectators, parents, coaches, swimmers, officials and volunteers at all times. Should you have any concerns about the behaviour of anyone during this Open Meet please could you kindly raise your concerns to a Weston-super- Mare Swimming Club volunteer, either at the recorders desk or information/medal desk.

Data Processing Declaration

42. All data relating to the entries and results of this open meet will be held on computer using Hy-Tek Meet Manager system software. The results of the open meet will be sent to British Swimming rankings within 5 working days, for uploading on to the British Swimming Ranking database. Swimmers details will be kept in accordance of Swim England guidelines and as required by the Data Protection Act 2018 only. Personal data will be available for inspection during the open meet upon request and will be stored and destroyed in accordance with Swim England guidelines.
43. The Data Protection Act 2018 applies for stored results.

Request for Officials

44. To ensure that the Open Meet can run effectively and efficiently, all clubs submitting entries are requested to assist by supplying details of any Licensed officials who are willing to help us. Their details must be entered on the Officials' Submission Form and be forwarded with their club's entries. Food and refreshments will be provided to officials who are on duty all day. Travel expenses will be offered to qualified officials attending this meet.

Things Beyond Our Control

45. If during the course of the Open Meet any situations arise beyond the promoter's control, the conditions may have to be altered to ensure the smooth running of the Open Meet. These conditions will only be changed and announced if necessary, by the Referee on the day.
46. In the event that this Open Meet has to be cancelled for reasons beyond the promoters control, we reserve the right to withhold a portion of entry fees paid, to offset any unrecoverable costs which we may incur. Residual funds will be returned to clubs as soon as is practically possible.

All entries and enquiries should be made before midnight Friday 20TH March 2020 using the following contact details:

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