

SWIM ENGLAND NORTH WEST MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS
SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2023
ENTRY PACK

KEY CONTACTS

Swim England North West
Events@swimnorthwest.org

Venue

Palatine Leisure Centre
St Annes Road
Blackpool
FY4 2AP

HOW TO ENTER

ENTRY FEES

Competition Registration Fee	£2.00
1500m Freestyle	£11.00
800m Freestyle	£9.00
400m Freestyle & IM	£6.50
50m – 200m Events	£5.00
Team Events	£8.00

ENTRY DEADLINE

All Entries close @ 23.59 on Monday 20 February 2023. The Promotor may close entries earlier should timing capacities for each session be reached prior to the closing date.

Entries and appropriate payments must be received by this deadline. No late entries will be accepted.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries **MUST** be made using the online entry system which will be available on the Swim England North West Region Website. (<https://bsbasa.org/meet/nwrsm23>).

Para Swimmers must indicate their disability classification or provide a valid Certificate of Swimming Disability issued by Swim England (or other Home Nations Equivalent) at the time of entry.

PAYMENT OF ENTRIES

Payment of entries via the electronic system will be made via Paypal

Medical Declaration

Please read the following information carefully:

- a. I am aware of the need to seek appropriate medical advice if I have any concerns as to the state of my health. I have not been informed by any medical practitioner and I do not have knowledge of any medical condition which would make it inadvisable for me to participate in the Masters Championships. Accordingly I declare that I am physically fit and well to participate in the Championships
- b. I undertake at all times during the Championships to use my best endeavours to train and compete in a safe and proper manner and not to do anything which would expose myself or fellow swimmers to unnecessary risk of injury
- c. I acknowledge that Swim England North West, or anybody associated with the organisation of the Championships cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to my personal belongings and that I must take all reasonable steps against any such loss or damage.
- d. I hereby agree to abide by the governed by the rules and regulations of the Championships as set out in the Event Conditions.

Submission of an entry will confirm that you have read and understood the above provisions and agree to abide by them.

Withdrawals

The withdrawal process relies up swimmers co-operation and courtesy to fellow competitors. Swimmers who fail to arrive for their heat create empty lanes which, if they had been used by others, could reduce the length of sessions.

To ensure that the meet runs efficiently it is essential that those not intending to compete notify the Championship Secretary (Events@swimnorthwest.org) up to and including Friday 25th February 2022. On the day withdrawals need to be made in person or by a swimmers representative to the timing suite 1 hour prior to the commencement of the session in which they were due to swim. (Both individuals and relays).

COMPETITION INFORMATION

EVENT PROGRAMME

Session 1 Date: Saturday 25 February 2023 Time: TBC	Session 2 Date: Saturday 25 February 2023 Time: TBC
Event 101 Mixed 800m Freestyle <u>Team Events</u> Event 102 Mens 400m Freestyle Team Event 103 Womens 400m Freestyle Team Event 104 Mixed 400m Freestyle Team <u>Individual Events</u> Event 105 Mens 100m IM Event 106 Womens 100m IM Event 107 Mens 50m Backstroke Event 108 Womens 50m Backstroke Event 109 Mixed 200m Butterfly Event 110 Mens 100m Freestyle Event 111 Womens 100m Freestyle Event 112 Mens 100m Breaststroke Event 113 Womens 100m Breaststroke Event 114 Mixed 200m Backstroke Event 115 Mens 50m Butterfly Event 116 Womens 50m Butterfly <u>Team Events</u> Event 117 Mens 200m Medley team Event 118 Womens 200m Medley team Event 119 Mixed 200m Medley team Event 120 Mixed 400m Freestyle	Event 201 Mixed 1500m freestyle <u>Team Events</u> Event 202 Mens 400m Medley Team Event 203 Womens 400m Medley Team Event 204 Mixed 400m Medley Team <u>Individual Events</u> Event 205 Womens 50m Breaststroke Event 206 Mens 50m Breaststroke Event 207 Womens 100m Backstroke Event 208 Mens 100m Backstroke Event 209 Mixed 200m IM Event 210 Womens 100m Butterfly Event 211 Mens 100m Butterfly Event 212 Womens 50m Freestyle Event 213 Mens 50m Freestyle Event 214 Mixed 200m Breaststroke Event 215 Mixed 200m Freestyle <u>Team Events</u> Event 216 Womens 200m Freestyle team Event 217 Mens 200m Freestyle team Event 218 Mixed 200m Freestyle team Event 219 Mixed 400m IM

WARM UP

The competition pool will be available for warm up ahead of sessions. Further information will be provided closer to the event. The competition pool will not be available between sessions.

SWIMWEAR

Swimmers are reminded that to qualify for a British, European or World Masters record their swimwear must be compliant with FINA requirements.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

The draft programme will be posted on the Swim England North West Regional website as soon as possible after the closing date for the competition. This will include estimated session start times.

REFRESHMENTS

A café will be in operation at the meet selling drinks and light refreshments.

CONDITIONS

1. General Conditions

- a. The Swim England North West Limited Management Board (the Board) reserves full powers over all Regional Swimming Championships. Management and Promoters responsibilities shall be delegated to the Swimming Management Group and their nominated representative at the event.
- b. The Event shall be held under Swim England Rules and the relevant World Swimming/World Para Swimming rules
- c. For individual and team events, competitors must be registered with Swim England as Club Compete (Category 2) swimmers, Scottish Swimming or Swim Wales equivalent.
- d. The age of competitors shall be determined as at midnight on 31 December in the year of competition. All competitors must be 18 years or over on the day of the Championships.
- e. A competitor can only compete for one club in the Championships and must be a registered member of that club on the day they enter.
- f. The 800m freestyle will be limited to 24 entrants and the 1500m freestyle event will be limited to 16 entrants.
- g. A secondary strobe will be available for use on request.

2. Events

- a. The individual events shall be (for both men and women)
50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m Freestyle
50m, 100m, 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly
100m, 200m 400m Individual Medley
- b. All events are Heat Declared Winner within each individual age classification. In each event competitors will be seeded according to their entry time and will compete against those with similar times from the various age groups taking part in the event.
- c. The age groups for individual events shall be for men and women:

18-24 years	40-44 years	60-64 years	80 - 84 years
25-29 years	45-49 years	65-69 years	85+
30-34 years	50-54 years	70-74 years	
35-39 years	55-59 years	75-79 years	

In five-year bands as high as necessary

3. Team Events

- a. The team events shall be:

Men's and Women's 4 x 50m Freestyle and Medley Team Relays and 4 x 100m Freestyle

Mixed 4x50m Freestyle and Medley Team Relays and 4 x 100m Freestyle and Medley Teams

- b. All team events will be Heat Declared Winner within each team age group classification.

- c. The age group for Masters team events shall be:

100-119 years 200-239 years

120-159 years 240-279 years

160-199 years 280-319 years

In 40-year increments as high as necessary

- d. The combined ages of the team members at midnight on 31 December in the year of competition must fall within the age band given above with the proviso that all team members must be 25 years of age or older on the 31 December in the year of competition.
- e. There shall also be team events for teams with the combined ages at midnight on 31 December in the year of competition of 72 years and above will all team members being aged 18 years or over on the day of the championships.
- f. The mixed team shall consist of two competitors of each gender (2 males & 2 females) swimming in any order.

4. Entries & Withdrawals

- a. All entries shall be received by the Championships Administrator by the closing date, accompanied by payment.
- b. The Promoter reserves the right to close entries before the published closing date should the event reach maximum capacity.
- c. Competitors and teams whose entries have been accepted are expected to swim unless they have formally withdrawn in accordance with the withdrawal policy.

5. Awards

- a. Medals will be awarded to individuals placed in the top three in each event.
- b. Relays – medals to be presented to the winners of each age category.