

SENW/SENE Open Water Regional Championships – 1ST July 2023

Entry Pack for Athletes and Coaches/Team Managers

Conditions

Please ensure that all competitors read the Swim England North West/Swim England North East Conditions for this event.

Timeline – Key Events

Please see the following timeline for when information will be provided in relation to the Swim England North West Open Water Regionals:

Entries to Open	Thursday 19 th April 2023
Entries to Close	9am, Wednesday 7 th June 2023
Accepted/Rejected Entries Published	Week Commencing 12 th June 2023
Withdrawal Refund Form to be Completed Refund requests after this date will not be processed.	9am, Friday 7 th July 2023
Refunds to be Processed by	Monday 31 st July 2023.

Entry Information

1. Entry and payment will be via the SENW Regional Website.

Entry fee is £15 per event.

Entry Confirmation

A list of processed entries will be available on the Regional Website.

COVID Information

Competitors are to follow policies and procedures of the event which may include COVID protocols which are dependent on the Government (National or Local), Swim England or facility guidelines at the time.

The Championship Manager has the authority to adjust the number of entries accepted to ensure the event is compliant with Swim England Health and Safety requirements.

Competitor Information

Swimmers must sign in at the registration desk at the appropriate times which will be published in the briefing information following the closure of entries.

Any swimmer representative (coach or chaperone) not in attendance at the briefing (either face to face or delivered virtually) will result in the swimmers not being allowed to swim.

The safety briefing will be delivered virtually by way of **Zoom at 7.00 pm on Thursday 29th June 2023**. Zoom details will be confirmed once entries have been accepted.

Prior to the briefing a register will be taken and non attendees at the briefing will not be permitted to swim. The briefing is part of the safety measures in place for the competition, therefore this is non-negotiable. **Non attendance at the briefing equals no swim**

For those under 18 years at the time of the virtual briefing an adult (parent, guardian, coach) needs to be present for the duration of the briefing.

Following the virtual briefing a confirmation may be sought that swimmers have understood the briefing, for those under 18 years on the day of the briefing this will need to be returned by either a parent, guardian or coach or suitable responsible adult over 18 years of age.

Starts

The event will be ran with mass starts.
Where required the event may be ran in heats.

Awards

Only those competitors participating in the specified Regional and County Championships will be eligible for awards.

Awards shall be made to competitors placed first, second and third in the age group listed in Conditions 9a – 9b.

For Masters events, awards shall be made to competitors placed first, second and third in the age group listed in the Conditions 2c.

Belongings

In line with the Swim England North West Terms and Conditions policy, personal belongings remain the responsibility of the individual and are taken into venues at the individuals own risk. Neither Swim England North West Limited nor the venue will be responsible for the loss of or damage to any such belongings. Individuals are advised to use lockers where available.

Competition Refund Policy

Swim England North West have created the following policy regarding what will and won't be refunded following a Swim England North West Regional Competition or Event.

All criteria outlined below must be submitted within 5 days of the completion of the event.

Following this 5-day period, and subject to all criteria outlined below being adhered to refunds will be processed within 28 days.

Rejection from Events

If entries have been rejected by the Competition organiser where conditions were adhered to but rejection is based on time constraints, then refunds will be automatically processed for each rejected event following the completion of the competition.

Rejection due to non-compliance of conditions

Any entries rejected due to non-compliance of competition conditions will not be refunded. By entering any Swim England North West Event or Competition, individuals are committed to adhering to all conditions and policies outline by Swim England North West.

Withdrawal due to exception circumstances (e.g. Medical or Injury)

Individuals who have withdrawn from events due to either a medical reason or injury – refund will be considered by application and submission of appropriate evidence (e.g. note from doctor or note from physio). Submission of additional supporting evidence must be sent to events@swimnorthwest.org

Withdrawing from the event must be completed prior to the event/session in which the individual is due to compete. Any failure to withdraw or notification of withdrawal received later than the event withdrawal cut off time will result in no refund being processed.

In line with the Swim England North West Data Protection policy, once the refund has been processed, documents relating to an individual's medical information will be destroyed.

Withdrawal

For all withdrawals which would not be considered under the heading above, refunds will not be processed.

Exceptions to the above may be considered by the Event Management Group and Regional Management Board but these will be dealt with on a case by case basis.