

# Definition of Low Level Competition

(clarification of category of membership required for entry into competitions)

## Swimming

Category one members may take part in the following events:

1. Club events providing that the competitors are all members of the club promoting the event.
2. Leagues providing that:
  - a) The league is a local league e.g. within a County or local area and which does not finish with a National final.

**Participants in the National League must be fully paid up category two members.**

3. Inter-club competitions providing that:
  - a) The participating clubs are invited to compete.
  - b) There are no more than eight clubs involved in the competition.
  - c) The event is a one-off gala.

**In order to compete in all other Swim England and British Swimming events, any division of a league which finishes with a National final, open meets, County, District/Regional events and National events members must be fully paid up category two members.**

## Disability Swimming

Category one members may take part in the following events:

1. Club events providing that the competitors are all members of the club promoting the event.
2. Competitions providing that:
  - a) The event is the DSE Short Course Championships.
  - b) The event is not organised by Swim England / British Swimming.

**In order to compete in the DSE Long Course Championships and all Swim England / British Swimming events members must be fully paid up category two members.**

## Open Water

Category one members may take part in the following events:

1. Club events providing that the competitors are all members of the club promoting the event.

**All members competing in any Swim England and British Swimming open water event must be fully paid up category two members.**

## Masters

Category one members may take part in the following events:

1. Club events providing that the competitors are all members of the club promoting the event.
2. Inter-club competitions providing that:
  - a) The event doesn't include more than eight clubs.
  - b) The participating clubs must be invited by the promoter to take part in the event.
  - c) The promoter has supplied the conditions for the event.
  - d) The whole event takes place in one pool on one occasion and does not form a series of events, the results of which are aggregated or considered together to decide the eventual winner.
3. Closed county events providing that:
  - a) The event is open to members of clubs affiliated to a single county or to members of clubs affiliated to a group of two or three adjacent counties.

**In order to compete in all other Swim England / British Swimming masters events, including open meets, regional and National events members must be fully paid up category two members.**

## Diving

Category one members may take part in the following competitions:

1. Local and inter-club novice events (excluding the Swim England Diving National / regional Novice Championships) where the number of dives in an event does not exceed four dives per board.

**In order to compete in all other events divers must be fully paid up category two members.**

## Synchronised Swimming

Category one members may take part in the following events:

1. Competitions that are Level 1 or Level 2 and have no swimmers entering who hold higher than Swim England Grade 2.

**Swimmers holding Grade 3 and competing in Level 2 or above competitions must be fully paid up category two members.**

## Water Polo

Category one members may take part in the following events:

1. Competitions providing that:
  - a) All players in the competition are under 16 years of age as at 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of competition.
  - b) The competition is not a regional or National event.