



## DORSET COUNTY ASA

### 2024 CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM RELAY GALA

held under  
Swim England Laws and Regulations and Swim England Technical Rules of Racing

#### COMPETITION RULES

The Competition Rules published for the 2024 Dorset County ASA Integrated Championships and Age Group Competition will apply in its entirety to the 2024 Championships Team Relay Gala unless inconsistent with the Conditions which follow.

#### 2024 CONDITIONS

##### 1 DATES

- (a) Dorchester: Sunday 28 January 2024
- (b) Dorchester: Sunday 11 February 2024
- (c) Entries closing date: Friday 22 December 2023 (mid-day)

##### 2 AGE GROUPS

- (a) Age: Age as of 31 December 2024
- (b) Age Groups: A: 13/under B: 14/over

##### 3 ENTRY FEES

£10 per team per event *(no refunds will be made for withdrawals of teams after the closing date)*

##### 4 EVENTS

- (a) All events and distances are as defined by Swim England Laws and Regulations and Swim England Technical Rules of Racing; this Competition is unlicensed.
- (b) All events will be Heats Declared Winner (HDW) and all teams will be placed except any team disqualified.
- (c) Heats will be spearheaded, and entries seeded on submitted times with the slowest time swimming first.
- (d) Mixed relay events shall comprise two swimmers with a birth sex of female and two swimmers from the Male/Open category in any order.
- (e) The Promoter reserves the right to cancel any event where there are insufficient entries.

##### 5 ENTRY TIMES

- (a) No entry times have been set for this Competition; an approximate entry time must be provided for each team entered in each event.
- (b) Any team submitting an entry without an entry time will be seeded after the slowest time provided by all other team entries for that age group and event.

##### 6 ENTRIES

- (a) There is no restriction on the number of teams that a competing club may enter in each event.
- (b) There is no restriction on the number of events in which a swimmer may compete in their own age band.
- (c) Competitors may not swim up in an older age band.
- (d) Swimmers with dual recognition may represent only one club at the Competition, which shall be the club represented during the 2024 Dorset County ASA Integrated Championships and Age Group Competition.
- (e) Any team fielding an ineligible swimmer will be disqualified and the entry fee forfeited.

##### 7 ACCEPTANCE

- (a) Teams will be accepted as time considerations permit and in accordance with venue capacity as specified by the Normal Operating Procedure of the venue and the Dorset County ASA Risk Assessment in effect on the day of competition.
- (b) Where it is necessary to restrict the number of heats in the Competition, all first or 'A' teams of each club in each

event will be accepted into the Competition and rejections made from second or multiple team entries thereafter.

## **8 TEAM AWARDS**

- (a) Championships trophies for events will be presented at the end of each session of the Competition to the winning team in each of the age groups.
- (b) Medals will be awarded to the first three placings for events in each of the age groups.

## **9 PRESENTATIONS**

Presentation of awards will be in accordance with the published timetable and as time permits but may be amended or cancelled on the day of competition.

## **10 CLUB TEAM POINTS**

Championships Team Relay events will not accrue Championships Club Team Points.

## **11 SPECTATOR ADMISSION**

- (a) Spectator admission per day to this Competition is as follows: £3 for all adults and £1.50 for under-16s.
- (b) Admission does not guarantee a seat will be available; seats cannot be pre-booked.
- (c)
  - i. Dorchester: 147 seated and 160 persons standing in the hallway at the rear of the viewing gallery.
  - ii. Wheelchairs: Access is limited to the space allotted by the venue management. Prior booking for wheelchairs with the Competition Manager is required.
- (d) Wristbands will be issued according to the maximum limit for the spectator area(s) for that session and are not transferable. Admission will be refused without the designated wristband for the relevant session(s).

## **12 POOLSIDE ACCESS**

- (a) Swimmers are permitted poolside only if competing in that specific session.
- (b) Poolside passes will be issued to accredited coaches, team managers and chaperones and issued to each club by the Competitions Manager in accordance with the Team Manager, Coach & Chaperone Policy 2023 on receipt and acceptance of entries.
- (c) The relevant competition for purchasing poolside accreditation is "Dorset County Championships Team Relays 2024".
- (d) A warm-down facility will not be provided at this Competition.

## **13 OFFICIALS & VOLUNTEERS**

- (a) All clubs are required to provide two qualified officials for each session in which a team from that club is participating, one of whom should be qualified to at least J1 and one qualified Club Timekeeper or J1 in training who is Timekeeper competent.
- (b) Officials are requested to make offers to officiate at this Competition on the Swim-Meet software <https://www.swim-meet.com/OfficialsSignup/DorsetCounty/>; session(s) to be chosen from the programme of events and contact details to be completed.
- (c) Volunteers are requested to make offers of assistance to host this Competition on the Swim-Meet software <https://www.swim-meet.com/VolunteersSignup/DorsetCounty/>; session(s) to be chosen from the programme of events and contact details to be completed.

**PROGRAMME OF EVENTS****SUNDAY 28 JANUARY 2024 at DORCHESTER****SESSION 1 HDW****Warm-up: 14.30 TBC****Start: tbc****Estimated finish: tbc**

Event	101	4 x 50m	Medley	Male/Open	HDW	13/under
	102	4 x 50m	Medley	Female	HDW	13/under
	103	4 x 100m	Freestyle	Male/Open	HDW	14/over
	104	4 x 100m	Freestyle	Female	HDW	14/over
	105	4 x 50m	Medley	Mixed	HDW	13/under
	106	4 x 100m	Freestyle	Mixed	HDW	14/over

**PROGRAMME OF EVENTS****SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2024 at DORCHESTER****SESSION 2 HDW****Warm-up: 14.30 TBC****Start: tbc****Estimated finish: tbc**

Event	201	4 x 50m	Freestyle	Female	HDW	13/under
	202	4 x 50m	Freestyle	Male/Open	HDW	13/under
	203	4 x 100m	Medley	Female	HDW	14/over
	204	4 x 100m	Medley	Male/Open	HDW	14/over
	205	4 x 50m	Freestyle	Mixed	HDW	13/under
	206	4 x 100m	Freestyle	Mixed	HDW	14/over