

Worcester County Swimming Association



Swimming Championships 2024 Entry Pack

Distance: 14th January 2024 (WV Active, Wolverhampton)
27th & 28th January 2024 (Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Worcester)
03rd & 04th February 2024 (Sandwell Aquatics Centre, Smethwick)

WV Active Central, Wolverhampton (25m)
Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Worcester (25m)
Sandwell Aquatics Centre, Smethwick (25m)

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Welcome

Worcester County Swimming Association is proud to present this year's County Swimming Championship Meet.

This entry pack contains all information you and your club will need to enter the competition. Please ensure your forms are filled out and handed back to your Club rep who will submit all entries to the County.

Good luck to all swimmers and those who are chasing the Regional Qualifying time.

Regards

WCSA



Entry Details

Deadline for entries:

Friday 22nd December 2023

All qualifying times must be achieved in licensed competition between 1st January 2023 and 18th December 2023 and be on the Swim England ranking list before the closing date for entries. All entries must be submitted via your club's representative by midnight on the above dates.

All entries must be submitted by the designated format by the Club's representative to swimsecretary@swimworcestercounty.org

Electronic Entry Only

All entries must be submitted using "Meet Entry Manager" from SportSystems available to download from <https://www.sportsys.co.uk/> and the export file emailed to swimsecretary@swimworcestercounty.org

Each club must submit only one export for all events, for all swimmers wishing to enter the County Championships.

The Entry Set file can be found on the WCSA Website. Please email the SportSystems Entry Manger reports (Women & Open/Male) and the exported *.sez file to the address above.

Payment

Each Club Secretary will be contacted by the County Treasurer and be invoiced for payment once entries have been received. This will be within two weeks of the deadline for entries.

Licence

- 14th January (WV Active, Wolverhampton) (2WM240079)
https://www.swimmingresults.org/licensed_meets/meet.php?meet=73839&page=1®ion=WM&level=2S&month=1&year=2024
- 27th & 28th January (Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Worcester) (2WM240080)
https://www.swimmingresults.org/licensed_meets/meet.php?meet=73841&page=1®ion=WM&level=2S&month=1&year=2024
- 03rd & 04th February (Sandwell Aquatics Centre, Smethwick) (2WM240081)
https://www.swimmingresults.org/licensed_meets/meet.php?meet=73843&page=1®ion=WM&level=2S&month=2&year=2024

Programme of Events



Worcester County Swimming Association County Swimming Championships 2024



Sunday 14th January 2024, WV Active, Wolverhampton							
Session 1: Warm up 09.30, Start 10.00				Session 2: Warm-up Estimate 12.30, Start 13.00			
Female & Open/Male 1500m	Freestyle	HDW		Female & Open/Male 800m	Freestyle	HDW	
Saturday 27th January 2024, Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Worcester							
Session 3: Warm-up 08.00, Start 09.15				Session 4: Warm up Estimate 13.00, Start 14.15			
Open/Male	100m	Individual Medley	Heats	Open/Male	200m	Butterfly	HDW
Female	50m	Butterfly	Heats	Female	100m	Butterfly	Heats
Open/Male	400m	Freestyle	HDW	Open/Male	50m	Breaststroke	Heats
Female	200m	Breaststroke	HDW	Female	200m	Individual Medley	HDW
Age Group Finals				Age Group Finals			
Open/Male	100m	Individual Medley	Final	Open/Male	50m	Breaststroke	Final
Female	50m	Butterfly	Final	Female	100m	Butterfly	Final
Sunday 28th January 2024, Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Worcester							
Session 5: Warm-up 08.00, Start 09.15				Session 6: Warm up Estimate 13.00, Start 14.15			
Female	100m	Breaststroke	Heats	Female	200m	Butterfly	HDW
Open/Male	50m	Butterfly	Heats	Open/Male	100m	Butterfly	Heats
Female	200m	Backstroke	HDW	Female	50m	Breaststroke	Heats
Open/Male	400m	Individual Medley	HDW	Open/Male	200m	Individual Medley	HDW
Age Group Finals				Age Group Finals			
Female	100m	Breaststroke	Final	Female	50m	Breaststroke	Final
Open/Male	50m	Butterfly	Final	Open/Male	100m	Butterfly	Final
Saturday 3rd February 2024, Sandwell Aquatics Centre, Sandwell							
Session 7: Warm-up 08.00, Start 09.30				Session 8: Warm up Estimate 13.00, Start 14.30			
Female	100m	Individual Medley	Heats	Open/Male	100m	Backstroke	Heats
Open/Male	50m	Freestyle	Heats	Female	50m	Backstroke	Heats
Female	400m	Freestyle	HDW	Open/Male	100m	Freestyle	Heats
Open/Male	200m	Breaststroke	HDW	Female	200m	Freestyle	HDW
Age Group Finals				Age Group Finals			
Female	100m	Individual Medley	Final	Open/Male	100m	Backstroke	Final
Open/Male	50m	Freestyle	Final	Female	50m	Backstroke	Final
				Open/Male	100m	Freestyle	Final
Sunday 4th February 2024, Sandwell Aquatics Centre, Sandwell							
Session 9: Warm-up 08.00, Start 09.30				Session 10: Warm up Estimate 13.00, Start 14.30			
Open/Male	100m	Breaststroke	Heats	Female	100m	Backstroke	Heats
Female	50m	Freestyle	Heats	Open/Male	50m	Backstroke	Heats
Open/Male	200m	Backstroke	HDW	Female	100m	Freestyle	Heats
Female	400m	Individual Medley	HDW	Open/Male	200m	Freestyle	HDW
Age Group Finals				Age Group Finals			
Open/Male	100m	Breaststroke	Final	Female	100m	Backstroke	Final
Female	50m	Freestyle	Final	Open/Male	50m	Backstroke	Final
				Female	100m	Freestyle	Final

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County Championships 2024 - Entry Form

Please ensure this form is completed correctly and submitted to your Club County Rep. Incorrect entries will be rejected.



Full Name: _____

Gender: Open/Male Female Age: DoB:

Swim England No:

Club:

Event	Achieved (Y/N)	Event	Achieved (Y/N)
50m Freestyle		50m Breaststroke	
100m Freestyle		100m Breaststroke	
200m Freestyle		200m Breaststroke	
400m Freestyle		50m Butterfly	
800m Freestyle		100m Butterfly	
1500m Freestyle		200m Butterfly	
50m Backstroke		100m IM	
100m Backstroke		200m IM	
200m Backstroke		400m IM	

Disability Code:

No of Events: @ £7.00

Total Account Due: £

I hereby declare that information provided above is correct and that I am an amateur in accordance with the laws of Swim England and abide by the conditions laid down by the governing body for the competition.

During WCSA events a photographer may take photographs during the medal ceremonies and post them on

County Web Site. If you do not want your child to be photographed, please tick the box ☐ and inform your Rep to notify the promoter

Signature of Swimmer/Parent:

I certify that the information given is correct and that the swimmer is eligible and has reached the standard of the Swim England Competitive Start Award

All swimmers must be under the supervision of their club coach or designated club official at all times during the competition.

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Qualifying Times

Open/Male								Female						
10/11yrs	12yrs	13yrs	14yrs	15yrs	16yrs	17+ yrs	EVENT	10/11yrs	12yrs	13yrs	14yrs	15yrs	16yrs	17+ yrs
00:40.0	00:36.0	00:34.7	00:31.0	00:28.5	00:27.1	00:27.0	50m Free	00:41.0	00:37.0	00:34.0	00:31.7	00:30.5	00:30.3	00:29.0
01:36.0	01:23.0	01:17.0	01:08.0	01:04.0	01:01.3	00:59.0	100m Free	01:33.0	01:23.0	01:15.0	01:10.0	01:06.0	01:06.0	01:03.0
03:25.0	03:01.0	02:56.0	02:28.0	02:25.0	02:17.0	02:08.0	200m Free	03:30.0	03:00.0	02:44.0	02:32.0	02:28.0	02:24.0	02:20.0
07:00.0	06:31.0	06:05.0	05:16.3	05:00.0	04:55.0	04:41.0	400m Free	07:30.0	06:30.0	06:05.0	05:25.0	05:20.0	05:14.0	05:00.0
	13:45.0	13:05.0	11:39.0	11:00.0	10:40.0	10:07.0	800m Free		14:00.0	13:05.0	11:39.0	11:15.0	10:50.0	10:20.0
	27:50.00	26:00.0	22:10.00	22:00.00	20:50.0	19:45.0	1500m Free		27:50.0	26:00.0	22:20.0	22:00.0	21:20.0	20:30.0
00:57.0	00:50.0	00:47.0	00:41.5	00:39.5	00:37.2	00:35.7	50m Breast	00:56.5	00:50.0	00:44.0	00:42.0	00:40.0	00:39.0	00:38.0
02:02.0	01:50.0	01:45.0	01:29.0	01:26.0	01:21.0	01:18.0	100m Breas	02:00.0	01:47.0	01:40.0	01:33.0	01:28.0	01:24.0	01:23.0
04:20.0	04:00.0	03:46.0	03:20.0	03:06.0	03:04.0	02:55.0	200m Breas	04:25.0	03:55.0	03:30.0	03:22.0	03:11.0	03:00.0	02:58.0
00:55.0	00:44.0	00:40.0	00:35.0	00:32.5	00:31.0	00:30.0	50m Fly	00:50.5	00:44.0	00:39.0	00:36.0	00:34.0	00:33.5	00:32.0
02:10.0	02:00.0	01:45.0	01:25.0	01:14.0	01:09.0	01:08.0	100m Fly	02:10.0	02:00.0	01:45.0	01:23.0	01:20.0	01:15.5	01:14.0
04:35.0	04:25.0	04:21.0	03:40.0	03:20.0	02:50.0	02:46.0	200m Fly	04:35.0	04:25.0	04:00.0	03:30.0	03:10.0	02:56.0	02:45.0
00:48.0	00:42.0	00:39.0	00:35.5	00:34.0	00:32.5	00:32.0	50m Back	00:48.0	00:43.9	00:40.0	00:37.5	00:35.5	00:35.0	00:33.7
01:44.0	01:33.0	01:29.0	01:18.0	01:13.0	01:11.0	01:09.0	100m Back	01:52.0	01:32.0	01:25.5	01:17.3	01:15.0	01:13.3	01:12.5
03:35.0	03:20.0	03:11.0	02:47.0	02:38.0	02:34.0	02:33.0	200m Back	04:05.0	03:27.0	03:10.0	02:50.0	02:46.0	02:43.0	02:37.0
01:45.0	01:37.0	01:30.0	01:17.0	01:13.7	01:11.0	01:08.5	100m IM	01:47.0	01:32.5	01:25.0	01:20.0	01:16.3	01:13.5	01:13.0
03:55.0	03:30.0	03:15.0	02:45.0	02:41.0	02:38.0	02:30.0	200m IM	03:58.0	03:22.0	03:02.0	02:50.0	02:44.0	02:41.0	02:38.5
	07:30.0	07:00.0	06:25.0	06:00.0	05:50.0	05:40.0	400m IM		07:30.0	07:00.0	06:25.0	06:05.0	05:50.0	05:40.0

Age groups are 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 and over. All ages are as at 31st December 2024.

All qualifying times must be achieved in licensed competition between 1st January 2023 and 18th December 2023 and be on the Swim England ranking list before the closing date for entries.

All entries must be submitted via your club's representative by midnight on December 22nd 2023

The promoter reserves the right to further restrict entries for good gala management.

Championship dates — January 27th & 28th 2024; February 3rd & 4th 2024.

Distance events (800m/1500m) - January 14th 2024.

Terms & Conditions

Swim England Laws & Swim England Technical Rules
(Affiliated to Swim England West Midlands & Worcester County SA)

General Information

1. County Championships and Age Groups, hereinafter called the competitions, under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules, shall be competed for annually. The dates and venue(s) of the competitions shall be agreed by the Swimming Committee.
2. Each Club shall nominate one person to be responsible for the validity of the entries of members to the competitions. The name, address and telephone number and email address of the nominated representative shall be forwarded to the Swimming Secretary by the 1st of October prior to the year of competition. If a club updates their nominated representative at any time, it is the club's responsibility to update the Swimming Secretary as soon as possible. Failure to comply with this condition will render the Club liable to a fine ten times the individual club entry fee for the competitions.
3. Competitors must be members of a Club affiliated to the Association and be a Swim England or equivalent registered **Category 2** member of the club in whose name they are entered at least 14 days before the closing date for entries.

Any swimmer who enters or takes part in these Championships or Age group Competitions must not represent another County or have entered or taken part in the Championships or Age Group Competitions of another English County, Scotland or Wales during the same calendar year.

Competition Information

4. The Championships will be Female and Open/Male categories:

50 metres: Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Freestyle

100 metres: Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Freestyle, Individual Medley

200 metres: Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Freestyle, Individual Medley

400 metres: Freestyle, Individual Medley

800 metres: Freestyle (mixed gender event)

1500 metres: Freestyle (mixed gender event)

Age Group Categories:

Open: 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17 & Over

Female: 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17 & Over

5. The Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy. By entering the 'Female' category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female.

6. Para Swimmers (female & open) must have an authorised British Swimming Classification.
Para Swimmers will be integrated into championship events with able bodied swimmers. Overall results for these swimmers will be declared from the Heats.
7. The AGE GROUP events shall be:

Female and Open/Male 10 yrs & Ov:	50m, 100m and 200m Back, Breast, Fly and Free
Female and Open/Male 10 yrs & Ov:	100m and 200m Individual Medley
Female and Open/Male 10 yrs & Ov:	400m Freestyle
Female and Open/Male 12 yrs & Ov:	400m Individual Medley
Female and Open/Male 12 yrs & Ov:	800m and 1500m Freestyle

All Heats and HDW events will be spearheaded and the last 3 heats of events, with finals, will be cyclically seeded.

Para Swimmers

50m Freestyle: S1-S14	100m Freestyle: S1-S14
200m Freestyle: S1-S5 & S14	400m Freestyle: S6-S13
50m Backstroke: S1-S14	100m Backstroke: S6-S14
50m Breaststroke: SB1-SB9, SB11-SB14	100m Br: SB4-SB9, SB11-SB14
50m Butterfly: S1-S14	100m Butterfly: S8-S14
200m Individual Medley: SM5-SM14	

8. The AGES for ALL EVENTS will be as at the 31st December in the year of competition.
9. All 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m events will be licensed at Swim England Meet Level 2.
10. Electronic timing, anti-turbulent lane ropes will be in use together with backstroke ledges in both pools.
11. Secondary strobe lighting to be used.
12. All 50m & 100m events will have finals. In all other events the placing will be decided by the times recorded in the heats (HDW).

Entry Information

13. Entries to the competitions will only be accepted from swimmers who have achieved the qualifying times agreed by the Management Board for events over related distances since 1st January 2022 preceding the closing date.
Entry closing date 22nd December 2023
The entry fee for the competitions shall be decided by the Management Board.
14. All entries must be from the SwimmingResults.org ranking list and submitted electronically by the Club's Swimming representative using the system specified by the Swim Committee. This must also include the report export for all entries (males and females) along with the coaches pass form.
15. The electronic entry file will be provided on the website/email and on completion sent to the County Swimming Secretary no later than midnight on the closing date fixed by the Swimming Committee. (Please note, ranked times must be on the SwimmingResults.org Rankings list prior to the closing date for entries so they are available for download.
Worcester County will not take responsibility for results not being available on SwimmingResults.org Rankings at the time of the closing deadline). Any error must be notified by the club representative within 7 days of the closing date.

16. Individual entry forms must be retained by the club until at least 30 days after the completion of the Championships. Entry forms must also be available on request by the Swimming Secretary.
17. The Clubs total entry fee should be made payable to Worcester County SA by bank transfer only. Entries will only be accepted after confirmation of payment.
18. No refunds will be made to competitors who withdraw after the closing date. Withdrawals with refunds on medical grounds or extenuating circumstances will be considered following production of a medical certificate up to 21 days after the end of the championships.
19. Incorrect entries will not be accepted.
20. When possible, The Swimming Committee will post all entries on the County Website or email within 7 days of the closing date.
21. All events will be seeded on the submitted times and in accordance with condition 7.
22. If an event is oversubscribed, then lower cut off times may be set. The Swimming Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and is empowered to reject entries if the number of entrants for an event is oversubscribed. This will be based on slowest time first to be removed by event equally distributed across the age groups.

Heats

20. Swimmers are not required to register before the start of any session or advise if they are dropping out of an event with exception of the final events. The final time for seeding will be 7pm on the Friday prior to each competition weekend.

Finals

21. There will be up to 8 finalists per final event with two reserve places. Clubs with finalists for events with finals shall be notified. If available, the results will be available online.
22. Withdrawal notification by a finalist or reserve finalist shall be given to the recording desk following the below conditions:
 - a. Within 30 minutes of the publication of the result from the heats, or within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the session, whichever is sooner.
 - b. Reserves not required for finals will be released after the above deadline. Any subsequent withdrawal may only be made on medical grounds.
 - c. It is the responsibility of the swimmer to check if they are required for a final. The recorders will announce the withdrawal of swimmers.
 - d. Failure to notify withdrawal from a final shall be subject to a £10 fine. The swimmer may not compete again in the current Championships or the championships in subsequent years until the fine is paid. The club in whose name the swimmer has entered the competition in will be responsible for payment.

Awards

23. Award information will be as follows:
 - a. Age Groups: The number of awards will be decided annually by the Management Board.
 - b. The Best Performance award will go to the swimmer with the highest points. Points will be awarded for all final events and events with HDW.
Points shall be 8 - 1st Place, 7 – 2nd Place, 6 – 3rd Place, 5 – 4th Place, 4 - 5th Place, 3 – 6th Place, 2 - 7th Place and 1 - 8th Place.

- c. Championship medals struck from the Association die, or such prizes as the Management Board may deem suitable, will be awarded to the first three in each event.
- d. The County Champion Trophy will be awarded to the fastest time from the finals covering all the age groups in that specific event.

If in the event the result is a tie for:

- i. First place; the trophy shall be shared and equal medals or prizes awarded.
 - ii. 2nd or 3rd place, the participants will receive equal awards.
- b. The Junior Trophy, where applicable, will be awarded to the fastest time in the Age Group finals to a swimmer, 15 years or under on the 31st of December in the year of competition.
- c. Anyone declining to swim in a final shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the competition and shall not receive an award.

- 24. Responsibility for the engraving of trophies shall be organised by the winner's club. The County is to be invoiced by clubs for reimbursement.
- 25. It is the responsibility of the winner of the Trophy to ensure that it is returned clean and in good condition. Failure to do so will result in a fine of £10 per Trophy. Trophies which are returned damaged will be repaired and charged separately to the club to which the swimmer belongs.

Miscellaneous

- 26. An approved photographer approved by the association may take photographs during the medal ceremonies and post them on County web site.
- 27. Where Worcester County are in sole charge of the facility photography and filming are to be allowed in accordance with the Swim England guidelines. WavePower Section 2.4 under photography.
Use of flash photography is prohibited at any time poolside.
If devices are taken into the changing area, the facility to take photographs or videos must not be used.
- 28. Swimmers must adhere to the Swim England Code of Conduct. Any swimmer found to be in breach of the conduct may be rejected by the promoter and lead referee from the competition, for the current and reported to the Management Board for further action in accordance with the Swim England judicial procedures.
- 29. All questions arising for which the conditions do not provide shall be determined during the event by the Promoter or Hon Swim Sec. Any issues that arise prior or following the event should be directed to the Hon Swim Sec and the Swimming Committee which is ultimately overseen by the County Management Board.
- 30. Any entrant failing to comply with any of the foregoing conditions shall not be allowed to participate in the competitions and shall forfeit the entry fee(s).
- 31. Any proposed changes to the Conditions to be submitted, in the first instance, to the Management Board for approval.
- 32. By applying for entry to the event you agree that Worcester County Swimming Association (WCSA) may publish your Personal Information in the programme of events, start sheets, and as part of the event results, and where relevant in publications of swimming records. Event results may in addition be passed to Swim England for publication either of the Event alone or combined with or compared to other events within the web based National 'Rankings' data base.
Personal Information will include (but not be limited to), forenames, surnames, club affiliation, time entered, time achieved, and age category. The event results will be retained in perpetuity, as part of 'WCSA'S' historic record.

Championship and Age Group Best Performance Trophies

The Alan Babb trophy for female and Brian Craddock trophy for open/male will be awarded annually at the conclusion of the competitions to the competitors who have achieved the greatest percentage improvement to the County Record, Junior or Senior, in events of 50 metres to 1500metres, and applies to all heats and individual finals.

In the event of a points tie the winner will be awarded based on the number of 1st places achieved with the higher number being the winner.

If a tie still remains, then the number of 2nd places, if still a tie the 3rd place finishes are counted and so on to 8th place finishes.

If after checking back to 8th place finishes it is still a tie, then it should be declared as joint winners.

Any queries or complaints to be addressed to Mr Wayne Taylor swimsecretary@swimworcestercounty.org

The Covid Officer for the event will be Mr M Ross malcolm.ross@swimworcestercounty.org

Regarding Covid the County will follow all Government, Swim England advice and also the conditions that each pool operator asks us to adhere to.