HAMPSHIRE COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION
SWIMMING DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION CONDITIONS 2015

1. GENERAL

1.1 All County Competitions shall be conducted in accordance with ASA Laws and Technical Rules of Swimming.

1.2 Entry Fees for events shall be approved by the Management Committee.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 General

2.1.1 The competing members of any club allocated to the Association, and any member of an organisation registered directly to the ASA who is normally resident in Hampshire, shall be allowed to compete providing they are eligible as defined in ASA Law.

2.1.2 A swimmer must be a registered member of the club in the name of which he/she is entered for at least 1 calendar month before the first day of competition of the competition.

2.1.3 For all events, a swimmer's age shall be determined as at midnight on the 31st December in the year of competition. All swimmers must be at least 9 years of age on the last day of the competition.

2.1.4 Any swimmer who competed in any event in the 2015 Hampshire County Championships may not enter that same event (stroke and distance) in the Development Competition. Swimmers who entered the 200m Individual Medley event in the County Championships may not enter the 100m Individual Medley.

2.1.5 Any swimmer who, at the time of entry for the Development Competition, has achieved a time faster than the published limit time, in any Licensed Meet or any competition open to members of more than one club (even if not Licensed) since 1st September 2014, may not enter that event in the Development Competition.

2.2 Team Events

2.2.1 Team Events shall be open to all clubs who have at least 4 individual entries to the competition.

2.2.2 A swimmer entered in the name of one club in individual events may not compete in the name of another club in the team events.

2.2.3 Clubs may enter one team for each team event. Teams shall be made up of 4 swimmers, male or female in any combination. Only swimmers who have been entered and accepted for at least 1 individual event may swim in a team event.

3. PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

3.1 Individual Events

Ages	Events
9 Years 10 Years 11 Years 12 Years 13 Years 14 Years	Freestyle: 50m, 100m, 200m Backstroke: 50m, 100m, 200m Breaststroke: 50m, 100m, 200m Butterfly: 50m, 100m, 200m Ind Medley: 100m

3.2 Team Events

9/10 Years 11/12 Years 13/14 Years	Mixed	4x50m Freestyle 4x50m Medley

4. ENTRIES

4.1 Entries, using the approved electronic entry system, must reach the Swimming Secretary (or the appointed Entries Co-ordinator) by the published closing date. An additional 3 days will be allowed following the specified closing date for receipt of the entry declaration sheet. All entries must be submitted by club representatives; individual entries will not be accepted.

4.2 Once all entries have been processed and decisions taken relating to acceptance (according to conditions 4.6 and 4.7) each club will be notification of the entry fee payable. Fees must be paid within 1 week of this notification.

4.3 Late Entries may be accepted in exceptional circumstances at the sole discretion of the Swimming Secretary (or the appointed Entries Co-ordinator). Late entries will be considered for individual events only, providing

- There is space available
- A supplement of 100% of the normal entry fee, per event, is paid.

4.4 The entry declaration sheet must be signed by the competitors Club Secretary or nominated official. Such a signature shall be taken as certification of eligibility.

4.5 Entrants who are members of more than one club must state at the time of entry, the club he/she represents.

4.6 For all individual events, the Association shall set limit times (see 2.1.5 above). Swimmers must submit a time for each entry. Submitted times shall be based on a 25m pool; all 50m times to be converted using the published ASA Equivalent performance tables.

4.7 In the interest of safety and to ensure the smooth running of the competition the Association reserves the right to limit the number of entries to any event. If this becomes necessary, the Swimming Secretary (or appointed Entries Co-ordinator) will inform each swimmer whose entry has not been accepted. Entries will be rejected on the basis of submitted times, slowest swimmers rejected

4.8 Any swimmer submitting an ineligible entry will have the entry rejected and forfeit the entry fee. Any swimmer whose entry is not accepted as a result of limiting the number of entries will have their fee refunded.

4.9 A Provisional Team Declaration Form declaring the names of swimmers expected to swim in each team shall be submitted electronically no later than 3 days before the start of the competition. Failure to submit a declaration form on time will result in the team being withdrawn. On the day of competition, a corrected Declaration Form may be submitted prior to the start of warm-up for the session which includes the team event.

4.10 The Management Committee may refuse an entry from a Club or a member of that Club, which, in their opinion, has not in the past fulfilled its obligations to the County Association.

4.11 By submitting an entry, entrants are implicitly accepting that entries will be processed using a computer system. Entrants may request that details are not displayed on the web site, but need to be aware that entry confirmation and results are not made available in any other form.

5. CONFIRMATION OF ENTRY

5.1 The Swimming Secretary (or Entries Administrator) shall make reasonable efforts to publish confirmation of entry for all accepted entries at least 14 days before the first day of the competition on the Association's web site.

5.2 Swimmers are responsible for checking their entry confirmation. Any errors found must be notified to the Swimming Secretary (or Entries Administrator) at least 7 days before the first day of the competition. The Association will make every effort to correct any error reported by this date, irrespective of the source of the error, Subsequent to this date, only errors introduced by the Association will be corrected.

6. MEET PROCEDURE

6.1 A withdrawal system will be in operation. Club representatives are expected to submit withdrawal forms for swimmers who are not intending to swim, no later than 45 minutes before the advertised starting time of the first event in the session. Competitors who fail to withdraw and do not present themselves at the start will incur a penalty of £10 and may be suspended from all further events at the competition. There shall be no refund of entry fees to swimmers who withdraw from events, unless the withdrawal is for medical reasons.

6.2 Heats shall be swum for all events, and shall be seeded slowest to fastest. Where ages are combined the fastest eight swimmers in each age group shall swim in the final heats. Those heats shall be spearheaded.

6.3 All events, including all team events, shall be decided on heat times and places (heat declared winner).

6.4 Competitors are responsible for presenting themselves to the Clerks of the Course in time for their race. There will be no calls for competitors who fail to appear at the

6.5 All penalties for failing to withdraw from an event in accordance with the procedures above are payable by the competitor's club.

7. AWARDS

7.1 **Age Groups (9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14)**
The first, second and third placed swimmers in each individual events will receive an award.

7.2 **Team Events**
All members of teams placed first, second and third in each team event will receive an award.

7.3 **Overall Team Trophy**

An award will be made to the best team, based on the performance of the best swimmer from the team in each individual event and on team events. Ten points will be awarded to the team of the fastest swimmer, nine points will be awarded to the team of the next fastest swimmer, **from a different club**, and so on down to 1 for the tenth fastest.

8. DISPUTES

8.1 Any dispute related to a matter not covered in these conditions shall initially be determined by the Swimming Secretary. Any individual who is not satisfied with such determination has the right to invoke ASA Judicial processes.