

This event is open to all financially registered (at the time of competition) Swimming NZ Competitive and Club members who meet the eligibility and qualifying criteria.

These championships provide an opportunity for members of all ages to vie for regional short course honours over the two-day programme.

This competition will comply with the COVID-19 Protection Framework requirements and Swimming Otago will endeavour to obtain the necessary number of Officials to meet the Swimming NZ Designated Meet approval criteria.

All participants agree to

- allow photograph, video, multimedia, or film likeness taken by accredited photographers to be used for any legitimate purpose.
- comply with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules.
- comply with the COVID-19 restrictions and protocols in place at this competition

This document may be amended at any time - check our Event Page on the Swimming Otago website to ensure you have the latest version.

# COVID-19 – TERMS, CONDITIONS, & RESTRICTIONS

- Face masks must be worn at all times, except when swimming.
- Physical distancing is encouraged wherever possible.
- No intermingling between Pods for the duration of the competition.
- Spectators may not be permitted entry to the facility
- No congregating on the pool deck at any time during the competition.
- Wash and dry your hands or use hand sanitiser regularly.
- Abide by any other directives from the venue staff.

Subject to change dependent on the COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time of, and during, the event.

# **COVID-19 Entry Terms and Conditions**

I declare that, at the time of entering:

- I am not currently awaiting results for a COVID-19 test, nor have I tested positive for COVID-19
- I am not currently classed as a household contact of a COVID-19 case
- I am not currently showing symptoms of COVID-19 I acknowledge that, should I:
  - Test positive for COVID-19, or
  - Be classed a household contact of a COVID-19 case, or
  - · Display symptoms of COVID-19, or
  - Be waiting on results from a COVID-19 test,

before, during, or after the competition, I will contact the event organiser immediately, and withdraw from racing whilst self-isolating.

In entering this competition, I acknowledge that the competition is subject to the restrictions imposed under the COVID-19 Protection Framework at the time of the event. If such restrictions change in the lead up to the competition, I acknowledge that this event may be cancelled.

#### **Capacity Restrictions**

When entry numbers exceed the COVID-19 Protection Framework allowance, clubs will be split into groups and each session will be swum multiple times with results combined to determine the overall champion.

#### Spectators

Spectators may not be permitted entry into the facility as the Grandstand is one defined space under current guidelines.

## FOR FURTHER DETAILS

contact Kerren at Swimming Otago on 027 919 4319









### **FACILITIES HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES**

Supervision Policy: Athletes, under 10 years, MUST pick up a yellow band, found in the "Just Swim' bin next to the foyer area. Bands CAN be removed for racing but MUST be worn at all other times. Athletes can make their own way to marshalling and start blocks however MUST be supervised when using the warmup/down lanes during the competition. Upon completion of their race make their way back to their seat in the grandstand. Bands are to be returned to the bin when leaving the facility.

**Pool Deck:** During the competition, only essential personnel (Technical Officials and Timekeepers) are allowed on the pool deck. Coaches are to always remain in the grandstand. **General:** Be careful in the grandstand, it can get very slippery. To minimise the risk of injury all athletes MUST dry off before using the corridors behind the stands. Athletes will NOT be allowed in the reception area with swimwear on, athletes must be dressed including shoes. Stairwells, fire exits, and clearways are always to remain clear. No seating is permitted on the bottom row of seats, this is a clearway for athletes.

**Evacuation Procedure:** If the pool requires evacuation, you will be guided by Moana Pool staff, please remain calm and their follow instructions.

## ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- Open to all financially registered (at the time of competition) Swimming NZ Competitive and Club members.
- Age as at July 2, 2022.
- Qualification period is between January 1, 2020, and June 26, 2022.
- The qualifying times are 25m short course times, converted times will be permitted.
- Qualifying times must have been achieved, and recorded in the Swimming NZ Database, at a Designated or Development meet

**Para athletes** are not required to meet any qualifying times, but an entry time achieved between January 1, 2020, and June 26, 2022, must be submitted with all entries.

### **ENTRY DETAILS**

- Individual entries close on Monday June 27, 2022.
- Relay entries close on Tuesday June 28, 2022.
- Late entries will be at the discretion of the event organiser based on lane space availability; late entry fee \$10.00 per event will apply and the athlete will not be eligible for awards or points, these will be swum as exhibition swims only.
- No split times will be accepted as an athlete's entry time.

Individual entries, per event	\$11.00
Athlete Surcharge Fee	\$6.00
Relay entries, per team	\$16.00

 All entries must be submitted via the athletes Fast Lane or the Swimming NZ Database, except Para athletes.
 They are to enter via email, providing the event name

- and number, entry time, their Meet Manager ID or Swimming NZ membership number.
- Clubs that have not paid the required entry fees at the entry closing date will be invoiced by Swimming Otago.

**Entry Corrections** will only be accepted when an error has occurred. Draft psych sheets will be emailed directly to participants - check names, entries and events are correct on receipt of confirmation. And the final psych sheets will be published on the Event Page as per the date advised below.

### **MEET CONDITIONS**

The Otago Short Course Championships will be swum under Swimming NZ swimming rules, policies, and regulations with the following specific conditions and criteria

- Swimming Otago will endeavour to obtain the necessary number of Technical Officials to meet the Swimming NZ Designated Meet approval criteria.
- The Technical Performance Race Suit Policy will be enforced at this championship – no performance race suit is to be worn by any athlete aged 12 years and under.
- The championship will be swum short course (25m) using electronic timing, with all events swam as Timed Finals and over the top starts may be used.
- Age Groups: 10 years & under, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years & over and Para open multi-classification-gender.

### Club Relays

Athletes must have entered, at least, one individual event to be eligible to participate in a club relay.

#### Strapping

Athletes with strapping must provide documentation from a relevant registered health practitioner or physiotherapist and be reviewed by the Referee prior to swimming. Any athlete without such documentation will not be permitted to swim with strapping.

#### Withdrawal Procedure

- Notify Swimming Otago as soon as possible if your athlete is scratching or withdrawing from an event.
- No penalties will be incurred because of withdrawing or scratching, however entry fees will not be refunded after the publication of the final psych sheets.
- Consideration on refunds may be considered, providing a medical certificate or evidence of undertaking a test for COVID-19 is presented within 24 hours of the completion of the competition.

# **RESULTS AND REWARDS**

**Meet Mobile** will be available - be aware event placings will not be correct on this platform as the results from all pods must be consolidated before placings can be confirmed.

**MyTogs** will be updated at the completion of the day's events with the combined (if applicable) results.

 Rewards and points will not be awarded to athletes who do not achieve the qualifying time.

- Trophies and Cups will be awarded as per the criteria found here.
- Medals will be awarded to the top three (3) placegetters in each age group for all eligible events.
- Ribbons will be awarded to athletes placing 4 to 8 in each age group for all eligible events.
- Para athletes will be awarded medals for the top three placegetters, and ribbons for placings four through to eight, based on closest percentage to the New Zealand Record in the athlete's relevant classification.

## **OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS**

Swimming Otago will endeavour to obtain the necessary number of Officials to meet the Swimming NZ Designated Meet approval criteria.

### **Duty Form**

To indicate your availability to volunteer at this competition, either as a Technical Official, Timekeeper, or other, complete the Duty Form <a href="here">here</a>.

- A meeting will be held 15 minutes prior to every session in behind the Recorders Office in the back corridor.
- Remember to bring your own water bottle.

### **TEAM MANAGEMENT INFORMATION**

## Coaches and Managers Accreditations (subject to change)

- All coaches and team managers MUST be active registered members of Swimming NZ and be police vetted with their accreditation accessible within the Swimming NZ Database.
- Mandatory Coaches and Managers Form is to be completed via the Swimming NZ database no later than 48 hours prior to the start of racing. 'How to Guide' can be found <a href="here">here</a>.
- Dependent on entry numbers, restrictions may be placed on the number of Coaches and Team Managers allowed to accompany each team. If this is the case, Clubs will be advised shortly after close of entries.

#### **Team Managers**

- Meeting will be held 30 minutes prior to racing on day one (1), behind the Recorders Office in the back corridor.
- Each club must have at least one representative at the meeting to ensure all information is delivered back to the team. Team Managers will be given a brief run-down of meet activities, expectations of athletes and clubs and general delivery of the event.
- Club Boxes are found at the back of the Recorders Office, accessible via the back corridor.

#### **Meet Programmes**

Programmes will be available for printing on the Event Page no later than the day prior to the start of the competition.

• No Programmes will be available at the competition – bring it with you or have it downloaded to your device.

### Results

Will be posted as soon as possible, behind the Recorders Office, accessible via the back corridor. Swimming Otago will have live results via Meet Mobile and the consolidated

session results will be published on the Event Page and MyTogs at the conclusion of each session.

#### **Event Forms**

Such as Withdrawal and Relay forms will be available near the Club boxes.

#### **Session Timelines**

Will be included in the Meet Programme, however times shown are approximate and races may start before or after the times indicated. It's the athlete's responsibility to be at marshalling at the appropriate time.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **Meet Programmes**

Available for printing on the Event Page no later than the day prior to the start of the competition. No Programmes will be available at the competition, download or print your own to bring with you.

## Warm Up/Down Procedure (subject to change)

- Warmup is to be conducted under the consultation and guidance of all coaches.
- Warmup commences forty five (45) minutes prior to the start of each session.
- Backstroke start devices will be available for use during each warmup period.
- One warm down lane will be available in the shallow end of the main pool from the start of each competition session.

#### Self-Marshalling (subject to change)

- Located on the pool deck near the old dive pool.
- Athletes will need to marshal 4 races prior for 50m events and 2 races prior to their event for all other events and remain in the marshalling area.
- The session programme will be available for the athletes to check heat and lane numbers.

### **Seating Plan**

- The seating plan will be published on the Swimming Otago Event Page.
- No athlete, team manager or coach is to stand and/or sit on the pool deck during the competition sessions, please use the seating available in the grandstand.
- No seating is permitted on the bottom row of seats, this is a clearway.

KEY DATE REMINDERS	
27 <sup>th</sup> June @ 11:59pm	Individual Entries Close
28 <sup>th</sup> June @ 11:59pm	Relay Entries Close
Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul> <li>Submit Psych Sheet Corrections – no refunds after this day.</li> <li>Duty Form Closes</li> </ul>
Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Coaches and Managers Form Due
Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Available on the Event Page  Competition Programme  Duty Roster Scratchings for Session 1 Due