

# SOUTH ISLAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



# Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 February 2023

# at Moana Pool in Dunedin

The purpose of this competition is to provide a short course racing opportunity and to experience team travel/accommodation for our junior members across the South Island.

These championships are open to all registered, at the time of competition, Swimming NZ members aged 12 years or younger with an entry time accessible in the Swimming NZ Results Database that meets the qualifying criteria.

Upon entering this competition, all participants have agreed to comply with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules and allow photographs, video, multimedia, or film likeness taken by accredited photographers to be used for any legitimate purpose by the host region or others that the Makos Zonal Committee has approved and comply with any COVID-19 restrictions and protocols in place at the time of this competition.

The host region reserves the right to restrict entries to ensure the timeline is adhered to and will endeavour to obtain the necessary number of technical officials. Still, the number on the pool deck may be more or less than the requirement set out in Swimming New Zealand approval criteria. The pool deck is only for accredited personnel and event volunteers; all other persons are to be seated in the designated seating area/s.

This document may be amended; please check the event page on the host region's website to ensure you have the current version.



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Venue Address: Moana Pool, Littlebourne Road, Dunedin









# **FACILITY'S 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 way to marshalling and start blocks; however, they 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:** Only essential personnel (Technical Officials and Timekeepers) are allowed on the pool deck during the competition. Coaches are to always remain in their designated area.

**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 follow instructions.

# **OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS**

Officials and volunteers will play a vital role in successfully delivering the South Island Junior Championships. To fortify our ability to achieve success and meet the Swimming NZ Designated approval standards, please advise your availability via the **Duty Form,** accessible <a href="here">here</a>.

- The duty form will close at 8:00pm on 12 February, and the roster will be published on 16 February on the event page.
- A meeting will be held at 9:00am, before the start of session 1, on the pool deck near the Referee and Starters area.
- Remember to bring your own water bottle.

# **ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

- Age as of 18 February 2023.
- Qualifying period is 1 January 2022 and 8 February 2023
- Open to all registered Swimming NZ members aged 12 years or younger at the time of competition.
- Athletes not affiliated with a club in the Makos zone will be considered visitors.
- Where indicated, the qualifying time must be met (or better) for all 200m and longer events. There are no qualifying times
  for the shorter distances. However, athletes must have recorded entry time that is accessible on the Swimming NZ Results
  database obtained from a Designated or Development meet within the qualifying period. In other words, No Time (NT) will
  not be accepted for any individual event.
- Para athletes will compete alongside their able-bodied peers; however, they are not required to meet the qualifying times
  but must have a recorded entry time that is accessible on the Swimming NZ Results database obtained from a Designated
  or Development meet within the qualifying period. In other words, No Time (NT) will not be accepted for any individual
  event.

# **ENTRY DETAILS**

- All entries must be submitted via Fast Lane or the Swimming NZ Database by Clubs admins.
- Individual entries close on Thursday, 9 February 2023, and the entry is \$9.00 per event.
- Relay entries close on Friday, 10 February 2023, and the entry fee is \$16.00 per team per event.
- No late entries will be accepted, and entry times cannot be from a split time previously swam.
- All outstanding entry fees will be invoiced to each region by the host at the close of entries.
- There will be no refunds if an athlete withdraws once the final psych sheets have been published. However, medical
  withdrawals may be considered if a medical certificate or evidence of a positive COVID-19 test is presented within 24 hours
  of the completion of the competition.

# **PARA ATHLETES**

- Para athletes do not have to meet qualifying times, but a valid entry time is required.
- Para athletes will be judged as per World Para Swimming rules (FINA rules plus the athlete's relevant exceptions) for the entirety of the meet.
- Para athletes will be seeded and race with able-bodied athletes for all events.
- Para awards will be resulted and distributed for the 50m and 100m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Freestyle, Butterfly, and Individual Medley, as open mixed timed finals, based on the percentage of the Para athlete's time compared to the New Zealand 16 & under Record for their classification.

#### **MEET CONDITIONS**

The South Island Junior Championships will be swum under Swimming NZ swimming rules, policies, and regulations with the following specific conditions and criteria

- The meet will be swum short course (25m) using electronic timing.
- Over-the-top starts may be used.
- Age Groups: 10 years & under, 11 years, 12 years.
- The Technical Performance Race Suit Policy will be enforced at these Championships no technical performance race suits are to be worn.

# **Relay Teams**

- The 4x50m relay events are open (no age group requirements) and can consist of either 2 males & 2 females, or 1 male & 3 females, or 3 males and 1 female.
- The 6x50m mixed kickboard relay event is open (no age group requirements) and must consist of at least 1 male and/or 1 female.
- All team members must be affiliated with the same club.
- · Each team member must have entered at least one individual event.

#### **Coaches and Managers Accreditations**

Clubs must complete the Coaches and Managers form in the Swimming NZ database no later than 16 February 2023. *Note:* coaches and team managers must be active registered members of Swimming NZ and have a current police vet accreditation accessible on their Swimming NZ profile.

#### Withdrawal Procedure

- Please notify the host region no later than 30 minutes before the start of the session 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.
- Refunds may be considered, providing a medical certificate or evidence of a positive COVID-19 test is presented within 24 hours of the completion of the competition.

#### **Protests**

- Protests must be submitted to the Referee, in writing, on the protest form by the team manager within 30 minutes following the conclusion of the respective event and be accompanied in cash by the \$100.00 protest fee.
- If conditions causing a potential protest are noted prior to the event, a protest must be lodged before the signal to start is given.
- The Referee shall consider all protests. If the Referee rejects the protest, they must state the reasons for their decision.
- The Club Team Manager may appeal the rejection to the Jury of Appeal, whose decision shall be final. If the protest is rejected, the fee will be forfeited to the host region; if the protest is upheld, the fee will be returned.

#### Strapping

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

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Warm-Up and Warm-Down Procedure

- Warmup is to be conducted under the consultation and guidance of all coaches.
- Warm-up commences 45 minutes before the start of each session.
- Backstroke Start devices will be available for use during each warm-up period.
- Warm-down Lane/s will be available in the shallow end of the main pool from the start of each competition session.

#### Marshalling Process (subject to volunteer availability)

- Located at the deep end of the main pool in the grandstand.
- Athletes must remain in the marshalling area until their heat.
- Athletes are to marshal 6 races before their own for all 50m events and 4 races before their heat for all other events.

#### Seating Plan

- The seating plan will be published on the host region's event page and included in the Competition Program.
- Team Managers are asked to ensure athletes do not procure additional seats there is enough room for everyone!
- No athlete, manager or coach is to stand and/or sit on the pool deck during the competition sessions; use the seating available in the grandstand OR the designated coach's area on the pool deck.
- No seating is permitted on the bottom row of seats; this is a clearway.

#### **Event Documentation**

- Draft reports will be emailed directly to all entered participants and their affiliated clubs following the close of individual entries.
- Corrections are to be submitted no later than 8:00pm on 12 February, and the final reports will be published on the host region's website no later than 13 February.
- Meet Programmes will be published on the host region's website no later than 16 March. *Note: there will be no programs available at this competition.*

#### **Presentation Ceremonies** (subject to volunteer availability)

- Refer to the session timeline for the ceremonies; every endeavour will be made to run as timetabled.
- Substitutes may be used if athletes are marshalling. However, they must be of the same gender as the athlete due to receive the ribbon.
- No caps, goggles, or towels (wrapped around the waist) are to be worn.
- Athletes must advise the presentation official that they are present.

# **REWARDS**

- Visitors, athletes who are not affiliated with a club within the Makos zone, are not eligible for ribbons.
- Age Groups for females and males during this competition are 10 years & under, 11 years, and 12 years.
- Ribbons will be awarded to the top three (3) placegetters in all individual events for each age group.

- Ribbons will be awarded to the top three (3) Para athletes in the 50m and 100m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Freestyle, Butterfly, and Individual Medley events.
- Ribbons will be awarded to the top three (3) teams in all relay events.
- Ribbons will be available for collection at the end of each session from club boxes.

# **TEAM MANAGER INFORMATION**

**Team Manager's Meeting** will be held at 8:45am on 18 February, 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, athletes' and clubs' expectations, and the event's general delivery.

**Meet Programmes** will be available to view or print on the event page no later than 16 February. There will be no Programmes available at this competition.

**Results** will be posted as soon as possible, the shallow end of the main pool on the glass windows below the grandstand. Meet Mobile will be active, and the results will be published on the event page after each session.

**Session Timelines** will be included in the Meet Programme. Be aware that the times shown are only approximate - races may start before or after the times indicated.

**Disqualifications** will be announced when possible, and a copy of the disqualification form will be put in the club box.

**Cub boxes and Event Forms** can be found behind the Recorder's office.

KEY DATE REMINDERS		
Thursday, 9 February at 11:59pm	Individual Entries Close	
Friday, 10 February at 11:59pm	Relay Entries Close	
Sunday, 12 February at 8:00pm	Submit Psych Sheet Corrections Duty Form Closes	
Monday, 13 February	Publication of the Final Psych Sheets	
Thursday, 16 February	Coaches and Managers Form to be completed Publication of the Competition Programme Publication of the Officials & Volunteer Roster	<b>f</b>
Saturday, 18 February from 8:30am	Warm-up begins Team Managers Meeting at 8:45am Officials Meeting at 9:00am Racing starts at 9:15am	O