



SWIMMING NZ

Secondary School Championships

Swimming New Zealand rules and regulations govern this competition.



For information and updates to this document please refer to the [Swimming New Zealand website](#). All swimmers must agree to comply with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules.

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This meet is run with the support of the New Zealand Secondary Schools Sport Council

Dates

13 – 16 September 2018

Venue

[Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre](#) 63 Kilbirnie Cres, Kilbirnie, Wellington 6022

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General Entry Information

The 2018 NZ Secondary School Swimming Championships is for year 9 to 13 students only.

To be eligible to compete a swimmer must be financial and registered (at the time of the competition) as School Swimmer, Club Swimmer or Competitive Swimmer with Swimming New Zealand.

The age groups to be swum by both male and female are 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years and over. Students must be under 19 years of age on January 1 2018. The competition is open to all Schools in New Zealand with Year 9-13 students.

Homeschooled swimmers are ineligible to participate as stipulated by the New Zealand Secondary School Sports Council.

Students must be enrolled as bona fide students at the school of representation and study at least 80% of the programme.

Individual Entries:

Entries Open 16 July 2018

Individual entries close **THURSDAY 30 AUGUST 2018 at 11.59pm**. Late entries will not be accepted. NO REFUNDS for any withdrawals will be given once entries have closed.

Swimming New Zealand Members are to enter through the SNZ Database via their [SNZ Mypage](#).

Non-SNZ members are enter through the [online entry form](#) and SNZ will create a School Membership on the SNZ database for these competitors based on the information provided.

ALL non-SNZ members MUST have competed at their REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS and will be asked to provide evidence of these times.

School Relays:

Relay entries will close 7 September 2018 at 11.59pm

Schools will enter relays by submitting [relay entry forms](#) on the event page.

School Confirmation:

All competitors will need to be approved by their school to compete.

Schools will be provided a list of entrants on the **FRIDAY 31 AUGUST 2018** by SNZ – Schools will need to approve that list by 7 September 2018. Any students which are not approved by their school will not be able to compete (and will be given refunds)

Coaches and Managers Forms

Schools are to complete the [coaches and managers registration form](#) for their team personnel. Coaches and managers contacts will be used for txt updates during the meet.

Entry Fees

Entry fees are \$15.00NZD per individual event and \$35.00NZD for relay events and can be paid at the time of entry through the SNZ database.

Entry fees must be paid prior to the start of the meet. If they have not been paid it will result in the withdrawal of swimmers.

School's will be invoiced by Swimming New Zealand for all relay entries, and the individual entry fees of those who are not entering via the database.

Qualification Criteria

Age as at 13 SEPTEMBER 2018

The qualifying period is from 1 July 2017 to 1 September 2018.

The qualifying times are 25m Short Course times. Qualifying times swum in pools other than 25m pools must be converted using the SNZ Conversions.

Individual entry times will be generated by the SNZ Database. Performances from International, Regional and Local competitions not held within the database will not be eligible for use to enter this championship.

Meet Set-Up

The meet is Short Course (25m Pool)

All events are timed finals.

Events will be super seeded with the top 10 swimmers in each age group swimming together in the last heats, all other swimmers will be rank seeded.

Relays

Male and female relays will be swum as timed-finals and in the age groups 15&under and 16&Over. Younger swimmers can swim in the older age group, but older swimmers cannot swim down.

If a 15&under swimmer swims in the older age group they cannot also swim in the younger age group of that event.

Mixed relays will be swum in the same age groups and teams must consist of 2 male and 2 female swimmers. Points from these races will not count towards top school's trophies.

Para Swimmers

Para swimmers are eligible to swim at this championship.

All those participating must have the minimum of provisional PNZ classification

Forms to complete the provisional classification can be found on the PNZ website.

<http://www.paralympics.org.nz/Pathway/Classification/School-Sport>

These needs to be submitted to PNZ by 11 August 2018. Please be aware that there is an expectation of a suitable level of swimming ability for para swimmers swimming with a provisional classification.

For questions on Paralympics classifications please contact Paralympics New Zealand Classification Manager classification@paralympics.org.nz

Para swimmers will swim with the able-bodied swimmers. A single age group mixed classification Format will be used for Para swimmers with medals awarded to the top 3 swimmers based on their time in comparison to the world record in their classification.

[Para swimming information sheet](#)

There are no qualifying times for para swimmers **but you must have a time on the SNZ database.**

Para swimmers are eligible for the following events:

- 50m, 100m for all strokes, 200m Freestyle, 100m & 200m IM for all classifications.
- 400m Freestyle for S6 and above.

COMPETITION INFORMATION

Warm-up Procedure

SNZ use a standard warm-up procedure for all national competitions. Please refer to the warm-up procedure document on the [SNZ website](#).

Warm up times are as follows:

Session 1	5.00pm – 5.50pm
Session 2	8.00am - 8.50am
Session 3	3.00pm - 3.50pm
Session 4	8.00am – 8.50am
Session 5	3.00pm – 3.50pm
Session 6	8.00am – 8.50am

Marshalling Process

Self-marshalling will be employed during all sessions of the 2018 NZ Secondary Schools Championships. Swimmers will assemble behind the starting blocks 4 heats prior to their event. For all 50m events swimmers need to be behind the blocks 6 heats prior to their event.

Team Managers Meeting

There will be a Team Managers meeting held on 13th September at 3pm at the pool. (specific venue/room – TBC)

It is compulsory that all team managers attend this meeting so that processes can be explained. It is also a great chance to ask any questions face to face.

Collection of Packs

School packs including passes can be collected by the Team Managers at the Team Managers meeting or Friday morning at the gate.