

## County Age Group Competitions Conditions

1. The competitions shall be held in accordance with the ASA Laws and ASA Technical Rules.
2. The Competitions shall be open to a competitor as defined by the ASA General Competition Laws who at the closing date for entries is a member of a club affiliated to the Association and is registered with the ASA with Category 2 membership. A swimmer who competes in Age Group Competitions of another County shall not be eligible to compete in the Berkshire and South Buckinghamshire ASA competitions in the same year.
3. The competitions shall be swum for the following age groups and the ages shown MUST be reached by the final day of the competition.
  - 3.1 For individual events, 9/10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15/16 years, and 17 years and over.
  - 3.2 The 100m IM event shall only be open to swimmers 14 years and under.
  - 3.3 9 and 10 year olds may not enter any 100m events (with the exception of the 100 IM) or any events over 200m..
  - 3.4 For team events
    - 3.4.1 Boys 11 years and under (age at last day of competition)
    - 3.4.2 Girls 11 years and under (age at last day of competition)
    - 3.4.3 Girls BAGCAT 10-14 years (age at last day of BAGCAT Nationals in that year)
    - 3.4.4 Boys BAGCAT 10-14 years (age at last day of BAGCAT Nationals in that year)
    - 3.4.5 Girls Youth 15-18 years (age at last day of Youth Nationals in that year)
    - 3.4.6 Boys Youth 15-18 years (age at last day of Youth Nationals in that year)
4. Entries shall be made in accordance with the published entry procedure before the specified closing date
  - 4.1 Swimmers must have equalled or bettered, during the twelve months prior to the cut off date specified, the entry time set by the Swimming Committee for each event entered. Such times must have been achieved at ASA licensed meets (levels 1 - 4) where the results have been posted on to the ASA Rankings database by the closing date.
  - 4.2 Not used
  - 4.3 Entry times can be 25 metre times or converted from 50m times using the Equivalent Performance conversion tool provided by the Association and based on tables published by the ASA.
  - 4.4 Documentary evidence of the competitor's submitted time may be requested by the Swimming Committee.
  - 4.5 Swimmers shall be entered in the programme and shall compete in time order, fastest first (except swimmers will compete slowest first in the 400m, 800m and 1500m freestyle events). Only under exceptional circumstances shall a competitor be allowed to compete out of programme order and then only by permission of the Referee and/or Championship Secretary.

5. Revised entries and entry times will not be accepted after the closing date of the competition.
6. If an entry is incorrect then the entry fee shall be forfeited. No refunds will be given for any reason.
7. The entry times are for a 25 metre pool.
8. All events will be decided on heat time classification.
- 9 Inter-Club Aggregate Competition
  - 9.1 Points shall be awarded for up to the first eight competitors in each age group of each event, including the team events, in the following manner: Winner 8 points; Second 7 points; Third 6 points; Fourth 5 points; Fifth 4 points; Sixth 3 points; Seventh 2 points; Eighth 1 point. No two clubs can make use of the same competitor for the purpose of counting points in these competitors in any one year.
  - 9.2 The total number of points obtained by the Club shall be added together on completion of the Championships and the Club obtaining the highest aggregate shall be declared the winner. In the event of a dead heat on aggregate points, the club with the greatest number of first places shall be declared the winner, and if this also produces a dead heat, the Clubs concerned shall be declared joint winners.
10. The Parker Cup and Lambert Shield will be awarded to the 10 - 14 years old girl and boy swimmer (respectively) with the highest points score. Events counting towards the Parker Cup and Lambert Shield will be 50 m Freestyle, 50 m Butterfly, 50 m Backstroke, 50 m Breaststroke, 200 m Freestyle and 200 m Individual Medley. Points are awarded as follows:  
1st - 6 points; 2nd - 5 points; 3rd - 4 points; 4th - 3 points; 5th - 2 points; 6th - 1 point.
11. Medals shall be awarded to first, second, and third in each competition and rosettes to 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> place irrespective of the number of entries.
12. The entry fees shall be determined annually.
13. Any dispute or question arising for which the foregoing conditions do not provide, shall be resolved in the first instance by the Swimming Committee and thereafter by the Management Board of the County Association.
14. These conditions may be supplemented by additional conditions to ensure the smooth running of the competition.