



Kent Championship Conditions - All Disciplines

All Championships shall be known as the Kent Championships and shall be conducted annually, under ASA Laws, under arrangements approved by the relevant standing Committees which are empowered to act appropriately.

Swimming Championships

S.1 Qualification

- S.1.1 Swimming championships shall be conducted annually upon dates designated for county championships by the ASA. Dates shall be agreed by the KCASA Swimming Committee.
- S.1.2 Swimming championships shall be conducted in accordance with ASA laws and FINA technical rules of swimming.

S.2 Eligibility for Entry

- S.2.1 The championships shall be open to eligible swimmers as defined by the ASA, who on the date of submission of entry are members of clubs affiliated to the county and who shall not have competed in the championships of another county in the same calendar year.
- S.2.2 A swimmer must have been an ASA registered member of the club in whose name they are entered at least 30 days prior to the first day of championships and remain so continuously until the championships in which the competitor is taking part have been completed.
- S.2.3 A competitor who is a member of more than one club affiliated to the South East region and/or ASA London region and allocated by the Region to Kent County ASA may compete in the KCASA Swimming Championships under the name of only one club in any calendar year.

S.3 Age Limits

- S.3.1 There shall be no upper or lower age limits for Men's and Ladies' Championships, subject to ASA Laws and Technical Rules.
- S.3.2 Competitors in Junior Championships shall be under 17 years on the last day of the competition
- S.3.3 Competitors in Age Group Championships shall be of the specified ages on the last day of the competition.
- S.3.4 The year of competition shall be the calendar year.

S.4 Entry qualifying times

Entry qualifying times shall be set for All Individual Swimming Championship events. The times set will be reviewed annually. The times set will be published and be notified to Clubs prior to the Annual Council Meeting of the Association in the year immediately preceding the Championship events. The entry qualifying time shall have been achieved since 1st August prior to the Championships. Failing to achieve the entry qualifying time in the Championships may result in the swimmer being asked to produce documentary evidence that the time was achieved in accordance with this rule.

S.5 Entries

- S.5.1 All entries shall be made on the appropriate official forms of the Association, and shall reach the appointed Officer of the Association, accompanied by the entry fees, not later than 21 days before the dates fixed for the particular Championships. The swimmer's ASA Registration number shall be clearly stated on the entry form. Forms with the registration number not correctly inserted shall be rejected. Any entries submitted which do not meet the entry qualifying standard shall not be accepted.
- S.5.2 Where age limits are specified, the entry forms shall state the dates of birth of the entrants. Secretaries of clubs shall certify on the forms that the birth certificates or relevant documents have been inspected and that the information on the forms is in accordance therewith.
- S.5.3 Where entry-qualifying standards are set, the entry form shall state that these have been achieved by the entrant and be certified by the signature of the entrant and the club secretary. Where the achievement is by way of a club 'time trial' the course must have been swum under normal racing conditions and the time recorded by an ASA qualified timekeeper on a County List.
- S.5.4 The Swimming Committee may refuse any entry.
- S.5.5 'C' clubs as such shall not be permitted to enter Kent County Championships/Competitions.



S.6 Entry fees

Entry fees shall be determined by the Swimming Committee at its June meeting and recommended to the Management Committee for approval at its July meeting each year, to take effect in the following calendar year.

S.7 Disqualification.

Any competitor or team failing to comply with any of the Championships' or promoter's conditions or by-laws or with ASA Laws and Technical Rules shall be disqualified and shall forfeit the entry fee.

S.8 Officials

All technical officials appointed for the Championships shall have qualified under the ASA Examination system and be on a County List.

S.9 Awards

S.9.1 Where there is a trophy for a Championship, the winner shall be entitled to hold it, subject to signing the official receipt and indemnity, until required to return it to the Trophies Officer. When the winner is under 18 years of age, a responsible official of his club shall stand as guarantor.

S.9.2 Prizes, the form of which shall be determined by the Management Committee, shall be awarded to the first, second and third placed competitors in each Championship (further awards may be made subject to the promoter's conditions). Prizes will only be awarded to competitors who achieve the entry qualifying time in either the heat or final of an event.

S.10 Events promoted

S.10.1 The following Swimming Championships shall be promoted for Men and Women:

50m Freestyle	100m Freestyle	200 M Freestyle
400m Freestyle	800m Freestyle	1500m Freestyle
50m Backstroke	100m Backstroke	200m Backstroke
50m Breaststroke	100m Breaststroke	200m Breaststroke
50m Butterfly	100m Butterfly	200m Butterfly
100m Individual Medley	200m Individual Medley	400m Individual Medley

S.10.2 The highest placed Junior in the individual Championships shall be declared the Junior Champion.

S.10.3 Age Group Championships shall be promoted for both sexes in each of the age groups:

9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years and 17/18 years

S.11 Courses and distances.

All Championships shall be swum in still water, the length of the course being either 25 or 50 metres.

S.12 Heats and Finals.

S.12.1 In the individual Championships listed in Condition S.9.1 and the combined Age Group, Open and Junior events the entries shall be seeded in the programme from best times submitted by entrants on their entry forms by listing them in order, slowest first. In the Team Championships the entries shall be listed in the programme by draw.

S.12.2 When the reporting time for an event is reached, those competitors who have reported shall be divided, if necessary, into the smallest possible number of appropriate heats.

S.12.3 Where the number of finalists exceeds the number of lanes available by reason of a dead heat or equal time the provisions set out in ASA Law shall apply. No promoter's condition allowing for a lesser number of finalists is imposed.

S.12.4 In an event from which both Senior and Junior placings are determined:

S.12.4.1 Junior placings shall be determined from the results of the final, but where insufficient Juniors relevant to the number of awards to be made reach the final, the rest of the places shall be determined from the times achieved in the heats by the remaining Juniors, providing the entry time has been achieved.

S.12.4.2 A Junior withdrawing from a final, or being disqualified in a final, can still qualify for an award on count back if heat swims need to be taken into account for Junior medal positions.

S.12.5 A swimmer wishing to withdraw from a final must advise the recorders immediately and sign a form indicating his decision to withdraw. Once he has withdrawn from a final a swimmer cannot be reinstated into that final.



S.13 Team Championships

Team Championships shall be held under the following additional conditions:

S.13.1 Only one team per club may be entered for each Team Championship including Age Groups. The Team may consist of a maximum of 5 nominated swimmers 4 of whom will compete in each event. Teams are fully interchangeable from within these 5 swimmers between heats and finals. Only 4 medals will be presented to any one team and these will be to the swimmers who took part in the final. The names, and dates of birth of the 5 swimmers in each team shall be entered on the back of the entry card and the card then posted in the appropriate box. All swimmers in the team must be present on the poolside or in the changing rooms when the card is posted. No changes may be made after the card has been posted.

S.13.2 Each member of a team shall swim: Men and Women - 100m; Boys and Girls and Age Groups - 50m.

S.14 Championship Points Trophies

The Championship Points Trophies, the Runners-Up Trophies and Third Place Trophies shall be competed for in the annual Age Group, Senior and Junior Swimming Championships (including relay events) of the Association. There shall be two competitions, one for Men/Boys and one for Women/Girls. The club obtaining the highest points aggregate in each competition shall be declared the winner. In the event of a tie in points in respect of either of the trophies the clubs concerned shall hold the trophy jointly. The results of all clubs entering the Championships shall be taken into consideration in calculating the points total. Points shall not be awarded where the swimmer has failed to achieve the entry qualifying time either in the heats or the final of the event. Points shall be awarded in all events on the following basis irrespective of the number of lanes used:

1st - 6 points; 2nd - 5 points; 3rd - 4 points; 4th - 3 points; 5th - 2 points; 6th - 1 point.

For Open events a set of points, as above, shall be awarded for the first 6 swimmers. A separate set of points shall also be awarded for the first 6 Junior swimmers. The results of the Open Water Championships shall not be taken into account in calculating the winners of the Championship Points Trophies.

S.15 The Swimming Committee shall have power to decide on any matter not covered by these conditions.

Masters Swimming Championships

M.1 Qualification

M.1.1 Masters Swimming Championships shall be conducted annually upon date(s) designated for county championships by the ASA, if applicable. Date(s) shall be agreed by the KCASA Swimming Committee.

M.1.2 Masters Swimming championships shall be conducted in accordance with ASA laws and FINA technical rules of swimming.

M.2 Eligibility for Entry

M.2.1 The championships shall be open to eligible swimmers as defined by the ASA, who on the date of submission of entry are members of clubs affiliated to the county and who shall not have competed in the championships of another county in the same calendar year.

M.2.2 A swimmer must have been an ASA registered member of the club in whose name they are entered at least 30 days prior to the first day of championships and remain so continuously until the championships in which the competitor is taking part have been completed.

M.2.3 A competitor who is a member of more than one club affiliated to the South East Region and/or ASA London Region and allocated by the Region to Kent County ASA may compete in the KCASA Swimming Championships under the name of only one club in any calendar year.

M.3 Ages

M.3.1 The age brackets shall be in accordance with the ASA Masters Championship conditions.

M.3.2 The year of competition shall be the calendar year.

MM.4 Entries

M4.1 All entries shall be made on the appropriate official forms of the Association, and shall reach the appointed Officer of the Association, accompanied by the entry fees, not later than 21 days before the dates fixed for the particular



Championships. The member's ASA Category and Registration number shall be clearly shown on the form. Forms with the registration number not correctly inserted shall be rejected.

M4.2 The Swimming Committee may refuse any entry.

M.5 Entry fees

Entry fees shall be determined by the Swimming Committee at its June meeting and recommended to the Management Committee for approval at its July meeting each year, to take effect in the following calendar year.

M.6 Disqualification

Any competitor or team failing to comply with any of the Championships or promoter's conditions or bye laws or with ASA Laws shall be disqualified and forfeit the entry fee. Incorrect entries will not be refunded.

M.7 Cardless System

Competitors shall report to the clerks of the course before entering the changing rooms and will be required to sign in for each event in which they intend to compete. Failure to sign in by the stated time may forfeit the swimmer's right to compete.

M.8 Officials

All technical officials appointed for the Masters Championships shall have qualified under the ASA Examination system and be on a County list.

M.9 Awards

Prizes shall be awarded to the first, second and third placed competitors in each Championship, subject to the promoters' conditions. The club achieving the highest aggregate points total in the individual swimming events shall be awarded the trophy available for this purpose.

M.10 Events Promoted

M.10.1 The following Masters Swimming Championships shall be promoted for men and women in all age groups: 50m/100m Freestyle, 50m/100m Backstroke, 50m/100m Breaststroke, 50m/100m Butterfly, 100m Individual Medley

M.10.2 The following age groups shall be promoted for both sexes: AA 18-24 yrs, A 25-29yrs, B 30-34yrs, C 35-39yrs, D 40-44yrs, E 45-49yrs, F 50-54yrs, G 55-59yrs, H 60-64yrs, J 65-69yrs, K 70-74yrs, L 75-79yrs, M 80yrs+. Ages are as at 31st December in the year of the Championship **except** for the AA age group where age will be as at the first day of the Championships.

M.10.3 All events shall be decided on heat times. Finals will not be swum.

M.10.4 In the individual Championships listed in condition M9.1 the entries shall be seeded in the programme from best times submitted by entrants on their entry forms by listing them in time order, slowest first, irrespective of age.

M.10.5 When the reporting time for an event is reached, those competitors who have reported shall be divided, if necessary, into the smallest possible number of heats, of as near equal size as possible.

M.11 Courses and distances

All Championships shall be swum in still water, the length of the course being either 25 metres or 50 metres.

M.12 Restriction of entries

Initially, all competitors may enter up to 5 events, but should the competition be over-subscribed then Kent County ASA reserves the right to restrict entries as follows:

M.12.1 All competitors must indicate, in the special column provided, their order of preference for the events entered, ie: if their favourite event is no.103 then '1' is to be put opposite this in the order of preference column, and conversely if their least favourite event is no.105 then '5' is to be placed in the aforementioned column.

M.12.2 Should the number of entries be too great then competitors will be restricted to 4 events per person and then to 3, if necessary, with the least preferred entry being returned. If no preferences are shown the Masters Manager shall have power to decide the events which a competitor may enter.

M.13 The Swimming Committee shall have power to decide on any matter not covered by these conditions.



Additional Conditions

1. Freestyle and Medley team competitions shall be promoted for men and women in the following age groups: 120+, 160+, 200+. AA age groups shall be mixed, 2 of each gender.
2. Only team members in the A-M age groups may form part of 120+, 160+, 200+ relay teams. AA swimmers may not be part of these relay teams.
3. Only one team per club may be entered for each age group team event.
4. The team may consist of a maximum of five nominated swimmers four of whom will compete in each event. The names and dates of birth of team members shall be entered on the reverse of the entry card and handed over at the same time that the teams are signed in. All swimmers in the team must be present at the pool when the card is handed in. No changes may be made after handing in. Cards are non-returnable.

Open Water Swimming Championships

O.1 Qualification

- O.1.1 Open Water Swimming championships shall be conducted annually upon date(s) designated for county championships by the ASA, if applicable. Date(s) shall be agreed by the KCASA Swimming Committee.
- O.1.2 Open Water Swimming championships shall be conducted in accordance with ASA laws and FINA technical rules of swimming.

O.2 Eligibility for Entry

- O.2.1 The championships shall be open to eligible swimmers as defined by the ASA, who on the date of submission of entry are members of clubs affiliated to the county and who shall not have competed in the championships of another county in the same calendar year.
- O.2.2 A swimmer must have been an ASA registered member of the club in whose name they are entered at least 30 days prior to the first day of championships and remain so continuously until the championships in which the competitor is taking part have been completed.
- O.2.3 A competitor who is a member of more than one club affiliated to the South East region and/or ASA London region and allocated by the Region to Kent County ASA may compete in the KCASA Swimming Championships under the name of only one club in any calendar year.

O.3 Age Limits

- O.3.1 There shall be no upper or lower age limits for Men's and Women's Open Water Swimming Championships subject to ASA Laws and Technical Rules.
- O.3.2 Competitors in Junior Championships shall be under 17 years on 31st December in the year of competition.
- O.3.3 The year of competition shall be the calendar year.

O.4 Entry Qualifying Conditions

Entry qualifying conditions may be set by the Swimming Committee to ensure the safety of swimmers and officials.

O.5 Entries

- O.5.1 All entries shall be made on the appropriate official forms of the Association, and shall reach the appointed Officer of the Association, accompanied by the entry fees, not later than 21 days before the dates fixed for the particular Open Water Swimming Championships. The swimmer's ASA Registration number shall be clearly stated on the entry form. Forms with the registration number not correctly inserted shall be rejected. Any entries submitted which do not meet the entry qualifying standard shall not be accepted.
- O.5.2 Where age limits are specified, the entry forms shall state the dates of birth of the entrants. Secretaries of clubs shall certify on the forms that the birth certificates or relevant documents have been inspected and that the information on the forms is in accordance therewith.
- O.5.3 The Swimming Committee may refuse any entry.
- O.5.4 'C' clubs as such shall not be permitted to enter Kent Open Water Swimming Championships/Competitions.



O.6 Entry Fees

Entry fees shall be determined by the Swimming Committee and recommended to the Management Committee for approval.

O.7 Disqualification

Any competitor or team failing to comply with any of the Open Water Swimming Championships' or promoter's conditions or by laws or with ASA Laws and Technical Rules shall be disqualified and shall forfeit the entry fee.

O.8 Awards

Awards shall be made to the first three placed competitors, both male and female, Open and Junior. In the event of less than four entries in a Championship, awards will be made on the basis of number of entries less one.

O.9 Courses And Distances

The Championships shall be swum in open water and the distance shall not exceed 5,000 metres.

O.10 Team Championships

The Open Water Swimming Championship Trophy shall be awarded to the club having the three best placed competitors. Points shall be awarded to each competitor in accordance with his/her finishing position (1 point for 1st, 2 for 2nd, 3 for 3rd etc). The club whose first three competitors to finish have the lowest total of points shall be awarded the Championship.

O.11 The Swimming Committee shall have the power to decide on any matter not covered by these conditions.

Diving Championships

D.1 Qualification

D.1.1 Diving championships shall be conducted annually upon date(s) designated for county championships by the ASA, if applicable. Date(s) shall be agreed by the KCASA Diving Committee.

S.1.2 Diving championships shall be conducted in accordance with ASA laws and FINA technical rules of swimming.

S.2 Eligibility for Entry

D.2.1 The championships shall be open to eligible divers as defined by the ASA, who on the date of submission of entry are members of clubs affiliated to the county and who shall not have competed in the championships of another county in the same calendar year.

D.2.2 A diver must have been an ASA registered member of the club in whose name they are entered at least 30 days prior to the first day of championships and remain so continuously until the championships in which the competitor is taking part have been completed.

D.2.3 A competitor who is a member of more than one club affiliated to the South East region and/or ASA London region and allocated by the Region to Kent County ASA may compete in the KCASA Diving Championships under the name of only one club in any calendar year.

D.2.4 'Closed' events shall be open to divers as defined by the ASA who are members of clubs affiliated to the ASA South East Region or ASA London Region and allocated by the Region to Kent County ASA who shall not have competed in the Championships of another County in the same calendar year.

D.2.5 'Open' events shall be open to divers who are members of any club affiliated to a Region of the ASA.

D.3 Age Limits

D.3.1 There shall be no upper or lower age limits for Men's and Ladies' Championships, subject to ASA Law.

D.3.2 Junior Diving Championships competitors shall be 18 years of age or under on 31st December in the year of competition.

D.3.3 Competitors in Age Group Diving Competitions shall be of the specified ages on 31st December in the year of competition.

D.3.4 The year of competition shall be the calendar year.



D.4 Entries

- D.4.1 All entries shall be made on the appropriate official forms of the Association, and shall reach the appointed Officer of the Association, accompanied by the entry fees, not later than 14 days before the dates fixed for the particular Championships/Competition. The member's ASA Membership registration number shall be clearly shown on the form. Forms with the number not correctly inserted shall be rejected.
- D.4.2 Where age limits are specified, the date of birth of the entrant shall be shown on the entry form. Secretaries of clubs shall certify on all entry forms that the information on the forms is correct.
- D.4.3 The Management Committee may refuse any entry without giving any reason.
- D.4.4 Entry fees shall be determined by the diving Committee at its June meeting and recommended to the Management Committee for approval at its July meeting each year, to take effect in the following calendar year.

D.5 Disqualification

Any competitor or team failing to comply with any of the Championships' or promoter's conditions or bye laws or with ASA Laws and Technical Rules shall be disqualified and shall forfeit the entry fee.

D.6 Officials

All technical officials appointed for the Diving Championships shall have qualified under the KCASA, ASA South East Region, ASA London Region or ASA examination system and be on an official list.

D.7 Awards

- D.7.1 Where there is a trophy for a Championship, the winner shall be entitled to hold it, subject to signing the official receipt and indemnity, until required to return it to the Trophies Officer.
- D.7.2 Prizes shall be awarded to the first, second and third placed competitors in each Championship (subject to the promoter's conditions).

D.8 Novice Age Group Competition

Divers are eligible for this event if they have not previously won the event or competed at a higher level at County, Regional or National events. Age groups are defined as the age the competitors are on the 31st December in the year of competition.

D.9-D.21 These Diving Conditions are available from the Diving Manager

D.22 General

- D.22.1 All events will be run as 'Open' events in accordance with KCASA Rule D.1.7 and the 'Closed' results will be extracted according to Rule D.1.6.
- D.22.2 Dive sheets are to be handed in one hour prior to the start of the day's competitions.
- D.22.3 Entries are to be submitted to the KCASA diving Manager by the published dates.

D.23 The Diving Committee shall have power to decide on any matter not covered by these conditions

Synchronised Swimming Championships

Z.1 Qualification

- Z.1.1 Synchronised Swimming championships shall be conducted annually upon date(s) designated for county championships by the ASA, if applicable. Date(s) shall be agreed by the KCASA Synchronised Swimming Committee.
- Z.1.2 Synchronised Swimming championships shall be conducted in accordance with ASA laws and FINA technical rules of swimming.

Z.2 Eligibility for Entry

- Z.2.1 The championships shall be open to eligible swimmers as defined by the ASA, who on the date of submission of entry are members of clubs affiliated to the county and who shall not have competed in the championships of another county in the same calendar year.



Z.2.2 A swimmer must have been an ASA registered member of the club in whose name they are entered at least 30 days prior to the first day of championships and remain so continuously until the championships in which the competitor is taking part have been completed.

Z.2.3 A competitor who is a member of more than one club affiliated to the South East region and/or ASA London region and allocated by the Region to Kent County ASA may compete in the KCASA Swimming Championships under the name of only one club in any calendar year.

Z.3 – Z.17 These Synchronised Swimming Conditions are available from the Synchronised Swimming Manager

Z.18 Officials

The following officials, who shall be selected from the lists of Regional or County Associations, shall be appointed by the Synchronised Swimming Committee: Referee; Deputy Referee; at least one panel of five (5) Judges; Timekeeper; two scorers; clerk of the course; person in charge of the accompaniment.

Z.19 The Synchronised Swimming Committee shall have power to decide on any matter not covered by these conditions.