

SUPPLEMENTARY PARA-SWIMMING CONDITIONS

1. GOVERNING LAWS, RULES & CONDITIONS

- 1.1. These Championships shall be conducted under ASA Laws, the FINA Technical Rules of Swimming and the relevant IPC Swimming Rules.
- 1.2. The General Meet Conditions for the 2017 Regional Youth Championships shall apply to the Multi-Classification Para-Swimming events except where specifically varied by any of the following conditions.

2. MULTI-CLASSIFICATION PARA-SWIMMING INCLUSIVE EVENTS

- 2.1. The 2017 Regional Youth Championships shall be run with multi-classification para-swimming inclusive events.
- 2.2. Para-Swimming competitors may swim in the first heats of the following events;

Stroke/Distance	Range of Classifications
Freestyle – 50m & 100m	S1 - S14 (inclusive)
Freestyle – 200m	S1 - S5 (inclusive) & S14
Freestyle – 400m	S6 – S14 (inclusive)
Backstroke – 50m	S1 – S5 (inclusive)
Backstroke – 100m	S1, S2 & S6 – S14 (inclusive)
Breaststroke – 50m	SB1 – SB3 (inclusive)
Breaststroke – 100m	SB4 – SB9 (inclusive) & SB11 – SB14 (inclusive)
Butterfly – 50m	S1 – S7 (inclusive)
Butterfly – 100m	S8 – S14 (inclusive)
Individual Medley – 200m	SM5 – SM14 (inclusive)

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. All competitors must be a minimum of 11 years old, determined as at midnight on December 31st 2017.
- 3.2. All competitors have an authorised IPC Swimming, British Swimming, INAS-FID or British Blind Sport classification, which is held on the British Swimming or IPC Swimming classification database at the time of entry.
- 3.3. All competitors must be registered as members of a swimming club affiliated to the Amateur Swimming Association (ASA) Scottish ASA (SASA) or Welsh ASA (WASA) at the time of entry.
- 3.4. All competitors must have matched or bettered the published Para-Swimming Consideration Times for the stroke/distance entered in the 12 months immediately preceding the closing date for the Championships. These times can be achieved in Long Course or Short Course competitions.

4. PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS

- 4.1. All coaches and personal care attendant must have accreditation.
- 4.2. Personal care attendants are only permitted for competitors where assistance is permitted on their code of exceptions. Such attendants will be excluded from any restrictions and will be given the same accreditation as the competitor for whom they have personal care responsibilities.
- 4.3. A Para-Swimming competitor who has assistance as specified in Clause 4.2 may have both a coach and a personal care attendant present. The personal care attendant accreditation will be free-of-charge.

5. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 5.1. Male and female Para-Swimming competitors will swim in separate events; however, all classes of swimmers will swim together (Multi-Classification).
- 5.2. There will be the appropriate number of heats (dependent upon entries) and a final for each event only where there were more than eight Para-Swimming competitors. No semi-finals or "B" finals will be held.
- 5.3. Final positions/finalists will be determined by the number of British Para-Swimming (BPS) points attained by each Para-Swimming competitor in their heat according to the competitor's classification, the stroke and the distance. In the circumstance that a final is necessary, the top 10 Para-Swimming competitors based on BPS points will be selected to swim. There will be no reserves.
- 5.4. In the instance whereby a Para-Swimming competitor qualifies for an able-bodied final, the Para-Swimming competitor may compete in the able-bodied final only, but will be eligible for a Para-Swimming medal as calculated by the BPS points.
- 5.5. In the event of a dead-heat of equal BPS points for a specific classification, there will be no swim-off and both competitors will be awarded the same position.
- 5.6. In the event of a dead-heat of equal BPS points which results in the number of finalists exceeding ten, a swim-off shall take place to determine which of those swimmers shall go forward to the final.
- 5.7. Para-swimming competitors will be included in the multi-classification results and placed within those results according to their attainment of British Para-Swimming points.
- 5.8. An official, who holds the qualification of ASA Disability Official, will be appointed and will act as a technical advisor in each of the sessions where para-swimming competitors are entered.

6. MEDALS

- 6.1. Medals will be awarded, on a multi-classification basis, to the first three places in each event which will be allocated to the top three BPS points scorers.
- 6.2. If there are less than four para-swimming competitors in any one event, then the "minus 1" rule will be applied to award medals;
 - 6.2.1. where there are only three competitors in an event, only the top two placed competitors will receive medals.
 - 6.2.2. where there are only two competitors in an event, only the winner will receive a medal.
- 6.3. If there is only one para-swimming competitor in an event, they will receive a medal only if they swim faster than their entry time.
- 6.4. In the circumstance that a final was not necessary, medals shall be awarded during the relevant session in which the event has taken place.
- 6.5. In the circumstance that a final was necessary, medals shall be awarded during the relevant session in which the final has taken place.
- 6.6. All competitors are required to present themselves to the Awards Steward when notified.

7. REFUNDS

- 7.1. No refund of entry fees will be considered.