



**Swim Ulster Open Disability Swimming Championships 2017  
in association with Disability Sport NI  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**MEET CONDITIONS**

<b>Event No</b>	<b>Event Description</b>
1	Mixed 50 Butterfly Multi-Class S1-S13
2	Mixed 50 Butterfly Multi-Class S14-15
3	Mixed 25 Backstroke Multi-Class S1-S13
4	Mixed 25 Backstroke Multi-Class S14-15
5	Mixed 100 Freestyle Multi-Class S1-S13
6	Mixed 100 Freestyle Multi-Class S14-15
7	Mixed 50 Breaststroke Multi-Class S1-S13
8	Mixed 50 Breaststroke Multi-Class S14-15
9	Mixed 25 Freestyle Multi-Class S1-S13
10	Mixed 25 Freestyle Multi-Class S14-15
11	Mixed 100 Backstroke Multi-Class S1-S13
12	Mixed 100 Backstroke Multi-Class S14-15
<b>Break</b>	
13	Mixed 100 Breaststroke Multi-Class S1-S13
14	Mixed 100 Breaststroke Multi-Class S14-15
15	Mixed 25 Butterfly Multi-Class S1-S13
16	Mixed 25 Butterfly Multi-Class S14-15
17	Mixed 100 Butterfly Multi-Class S1-S13
18	Mixed 100 Butterfly Multi-Class S14-15
19	Mixed 50 Backstroke Multi-Class S1-S13
20	Mixed 50 Backstroke Multi-Class S14-15
21	Mixed 25 Breaststroke Multi-Class S1-S13
22	Mixed 25 Breaststroke Multi-Class S14-15
23	Mixed 50 Freestyle Multi-Class S1-S13
24	Mixed 50 Freestyle Multi-Class S14-15
25	Mixed 100 Freestyle Relay Multi-Class

**Parking**

All swimmers should use the Main Entrance at the Front of Newry Leisure Centre. Parking is available in the main parking area.

## **25m Events**

- Suitable for swimmers who are unfamiliar with the correct stroke technique and/or rules.
- No disqualifications will be made in the 25m events.
- All competitors must be able to swim 25m unaided. If this is not the case they will be withdrawn from all other events and the club/individual will be fined £10.00 (cover life guard costs) which must be paid before leaving the pool.
- Swimmers cannot be accompanied in the water by a parent/coach/guardian during their event.
- Swimmers who have competed at an Irish or UK level are not eligible to compete in 25m events.
- 25m swimmers can also enter other distances but must be familiar with the rules and be aware that disqualifications may be made.
- Medals will be awarded shortly after each heat from the Medals Table.
- Electronic timing will not be used for 25m event. 2 manual time keepers will be responsible for each lane.

## **50m/100m Events**

- Disqualifications will be made in these events if any stroke violations are made.
- Medals will be awarded per heat. However due to possible disqualifications medals will not be available until after the event is complete. Medals for these events will need to be collected by coaches from the designated Medals Table.

## **Mixed Relays**

- Open to all swimmers
- Will be run as a fun event
- Disqualifications will only be made for false starts.
- Medals will be presented to the fastest 3 teams per heat.

## **Entries**

- Each competitor is limited to entering a maximum of four events. If more than four events are entered Swim Ulster will decide which events to eliminate.
- All swimmers must indicate their appropriate class on the entry form, if this is not known a description of the swimmers disability must be completed on the classification form and sent to Swim Ulster.
- Outside lanes will only be allocated to competitors with epilepsy, which must be indicated on the Entry Form.
- Entry details of the participant should be brought by the guardian / carer / coach on the day of the event.
- There will a £3.00 charge for each individual event entered and £5 per relay team.

- **Entries must be paid in full on submission of entry form.** Cheques must be made payable to Swim Ulster and sent with the Entry Form or BACS payment can be made – Bank Details are on the Entry Form.
- **No additional entries, heat changes, lane changes or event changes can be made on the day of the event. It is the responsibility of the coach/parent/guardian to ensure that everything is correct prior to the competition. A draft programme will be circulated prior to the event.**
- Swim Ulster / DSNi reserves the right to limit entries if the meet is oversubscribed. In the event that entries are rejected the entry fee will be refunded.

### **Gala Programme**

- Male and female swimmers will compete in mixed events, however medals will still be awarded to the top males and top females.
- All heats will be time banded, meaning that swimmers will compete against others of a similar standard.
- Heats may be combined to provide a more competitive swim. This will be at the discretion of the gala organiser.

### **Electronic Timing**

- Electronic timing will be used at this year's Championships across all events.
- Manual timers will also be used as back up.
- All swimmers should be advised that in order for their time to be recorded they must firmly touch the centre of the pad at each end for the time to register.
- Due to the timing pads all swimmers must leave the pool by the side.

### **Marshalling**

- Due to the large number of participants attending the gala a dedicated marshalling area will be used. All swimmers must register here at least **THREE** heats before they are due to swim.
- **Group leaders / coaches / parents / guardians are responsible for getting swimmers to the Marshalling area on time. If a competitor fails to arrive on time they will be withdrawn from their event and an opportunity to swim in the later heats will not be given.**
- **Group Leaders / coaches / parents / guardians are responsible for the supervision and safety of the swimmers at all times for the duration of the Gala.**

### **Presentations/Medals**

- First, second and third place medals will be awarded to swimmers for each heat and are available at the Medals Table shortly after each event.

### **Enquiries/Issues**

- Any issues/enquiries on the day need to be discussed with Swim Ulster. All volunteers should be spoken to in an appropriate manner. Anyone who doesn't treat volunteers in an appropriate manner will not have their query dealt with and may be asked to leave the pool.

### **Results**

- A copy of the official gala results will be posted out to all competitors.

### **Cameras/Videos**

- Cameras, videos and picture phones will not be permitted in the pool area unless a consent form has been signed and a pass given.  
**Anyone using photography without permission will be removed from the building.**

The final closing date for entries is **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017** – entries should be sent to Swim Ulster, 3 Valentine Road, Bangor, BT20 4<sup>TH</sup> along with appropriate payment