SWIM ENGLAND NORTH WEST MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019
ENTRY PACK

KEY CONTACTS

Swim England North West
Events@swimnorthwest.org

Venue
Palatine Leisure Centre
St Annes Road
Blackpool
FY4 2AP

HOW TO ENTER

ENTRY FEES

Competition Registration Fee	£1.50
1500m Freestyle	£11.00
800m Freestyle	£9.00
400m Freestyle & IM	£6.50
50m – 200m Events	£5.00
Team Events	£8.00

ENTRY DEADLINE
Midnight on Monday 11 February 2019
Entries and appropriate payments must be received by this deadline.
Late Entries may be accepted at the discretion of the promoter and will be subject to an additional late entry fee of £3.00.

HOW TO ENTER
Entries **MUST** be made using the online entry system which will be available on the Swim England North West Region Website. (https://bsbasa.org/meet/NWRNW19).

Para Swimmers must indicate their disability classification or provide a valid Certificate of Swimming Disability issued by Swim England (or ASA) at the time of entry.

PAYMENT OF ENTRIES
Payment of entries via the electronic system will be made via Paypal

Medical Declaration

Please read the following information carefully:

a. I am aware of the need to seek appropriate medical advice if I have any concerns as to the state of my health. I have not been informed by any medical practitioner and I do not have knowledge of any medical condition which would make it inadvisable for me to participate in the Masters Championships. Accordingly I declare that I am physically fit and well to participate in the Championships
b. I undertake at all times during the Championships to use my best endeavours to train and compete in a safe and proper manner and not to do anything which would expose myself or fellow swimmers to unnecessary risk of injury
c. I acknowledge that Swim England North West, or anybody associated with the organisation of the Championships cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to my personal belongings and that I must take all reasonable steps against any such loss or damage.
d. I hereby agree to abide by the governed by the rules and regulations of the Championships as set out in the Event Conditions.

Submission of an entry will confirm that you have read and understood the above provisions and agree to abide by them.

Withdrawals

The withdrawal process relies up swimmers co-operation and courtesy to fellow competitors. Swimmers who fail to arrive for their heat create empty lanes which, if they had been used by others, could reduce the length of sessions. To ensure that the meet runs efficiently it is essential that those not intending to compete notify the Championship Secretary (Events@swimnorthwest.org) as soon as possible.

COMPETITION INFORMATION

EVENT PROGRAMME

Session 1 Date: Saturday 23/02/19 Time: TBC	**Session 2** Date: Saturday 23/02/19 Time: TBC
Event 101 Mixed 800m Freestyle Event 102 Mens 100m IM Event 103 Womens 100m IM Event 104 Mens 50m Backstroke Event 105 Womens 50m Backstroke Event 106 Mixed 200m Butterfly Event 107 Mens 100m Freestyle Event 108 Womens 100m Freestyle Event 109 Mens 100m Breaststroke Event 110 Womens 100m Breaststroke Event 111 Mixed 200m Backstroke Event 112 Mens 50m Butterfly Event 113 Womens 50m Butterfly **<u>Team Events</u>** Event 114 Mens 800m Freestyle Team Event 115 Womens 800m Freestyle Team Event 116 Mixed 800m Freestyle Team Event 117 Mens 200m Medley team Event 118 Womens 200m Medley team Event 119 Mixed 200m Medley team Event 120 Mixed 400m Freestyle	Event 201 Mixed 200m freestyle Event 202 Womens 50m Breaststroke Event 203 Mens 50m Breaststroke Event 204 Womens 100m Backstroke Event 205 Mens 100m Backstroke Event 206 Mixed 200m IM Event 207 Womens 100m Butterfly Event 208 Mens 100m Butterfly Event 209 Womens 50m Freestyle Event 210 Mens 50m Freestyle Event 211 Mixed 200m Breaststroke Event 212 Mixed 400m IM **<u>TEAM EVENTS</u>** Event 213 Womens 200m Freestyle team Event 214 Mens 200m Freestyle team Event 215 Mixed 200m Freestyle team Event 216 Mixed 1500m Freestyle

WARM UP
The competition pool will be available for warm up ahead of sessions. Further information will be provided closer to the event.

BETWEEN SESSIONS
The competition pool will not be available between sessions.

SWIMWEAR
Swimmers are reminded that to qualify for a British, European or World Masters record their swimwear must be compliant with FINA requirements.

DRAFT PROGRAMME
The draft programme will be posted on the Swim England North West Regional website as soon as possible after the closing date for the competition. This will include estimated session start times.

CONDITIONS

1. **General Conditions**

   a. The Swim England North West Regional Management Board (the Board) reserves full powers over all Regional Swimming Championships. Management and Promoters responsibilities shall be delegated to the Swimming Management Group and their nominated representative at the event.

   b. The Event shall be held under the ASA Rules and the relevant FINA/ASA/World Para Swimming rules

   c. For individual and team events, competitors must be registered with Swim England as Category 2 swimmers, Scottish Swimming or Swim Wales equivalent. Temporary Swim England members are eligible to enter these championships

   d. The age of competitors shall be determined as at midnight on 31 December in the year of competition. All competitors must be 18 years or over on the day of the Championships.

   e. A competitor can only compete for one club in the Championships and must be a registered member of that club on the day they enter.

   f. The 800m freestyle will be limited to 24 entrants and the 1500m freestyle event will be limited to 16 entrants.

2. **Events**

   a. The individual events shall be (for both men and women)

      50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m Freestyle

      50m, 100m, 200m Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly

      100m, 200m 400m Individual Medley

   b. All events are Heat Declared Winner within each individual age classification. In each event competitors will be seeded according to their entry time and will compete against those with similar times from the various age groups taking part in the event.

   c. The age groups for individual events shall be for men and women:

18-24 years	40-44 years	60-64 years
25-29 years	45-49 years	65-69 years
30-34 years	50-54 years	70-74 years
35-39 years	55-59 years	75-79 years

      And in five year bands as high as necessary

3. **Team Events**

   a. The team events shall be:

      Men's and Women's 4 x 50m Freestyle and Medley Team Relays and 4 x 200m Freestyle

Mixed 4x50m Freestyle and Medley Team Relays and 4 x 200m Freestyle

b. All team events will be Heat Declared Winner within each team age group classification.

c. The age group for Masters team events shall be:

100-119 years	200-239 years
120-159 years	240-279 years
160-199 years	280-319 years

And in 40-year increments as high as necessary

d. The combined ages of the team members at midnight on 31 December in the year of competition must fall within the age band given above with the proviso that all team members must be 25 years of age or older on the 31 December in the year of competition.

e. There shall also be team events for teams with the combined ages at midnight on 31 December in the year of competition of 72 years and above will all team members being aged 18 years or over on the day of the championships.

f. The mixed team shall consist of two competitors of each sex swimming in any order.

4. Entries

a. All entries shall be received by the appointed Championships Administrator by the closing date, midnight Monday 11 February 2019 accompanied by the appropriate registration and entry fee.
b. The Promoter reserves the right to close entries before the published closing date should the event reach maximum capacity
c. Competitors and teams whose entries have been accepted are expected to swim unless they have formally withdrawn in accordance with the withdrawal policy.

5. **Awards**

a. Medals will be awarded to the first three swimmers in each age group of each of the events.
b. Medals for team events will be awarded to each swimmer in the first team in each age group.
c. The George Lea Trophy will be awarded to the club accumulating the most points during the championships. Points shall be awarded 8-1
d. The Nancy Yarwood Memorial Trophy will be presented to the top Female Swimmer
e. The North West Region Top Man Trophy will be presented to the top Male Swimmer

The top swimmers for the individual trophies will be the swimmer who scores the highest decathlon points based on age adjusted times.