Event By-Laws

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22/05/23	CBL 25 thru EBL 42	Not referenced in Swimming AUS Championship Rule

EBL 1
(CR 1)
Conducting Swimming Events in South Australia

(a) Approved swimming events in South Australia shall be conducted under the rules and by-laws of World Aquatics and World Para Swimming, except in so far as they are varied by these by-laws.

(b) All events conducted by SwimmingSA shall be conducted under the rules of SwimmingSA including these by-laws unless otherwise notified prior to the event.

(c) All events conducted by SwimmingSA districts and clubs shall be conducted under the rules of SwimmingSA including these by-laws unless granted prior approval by SwimmingSA.

(d) All events requesting approval must be applied for prior to the event as per the SwimmingSA carnival application procedures and must meet the minimum standard for approval as per Open Carnival Policy.

(e) All events requesting approval of results being conducted by an organisation that is not a member of SwimmingSA shall by conducted under these by-laws unless granted prior approval by SwimmingSA. SwimmingSA is not responsible for sourcing insurance for such events and will only support events that meet SwimmingSA criteria.

EBL 1.1 **Competing at Swimming Events in or external to South Australia**

(a) Clubs may not compete against other Clubs or other bodies without the prior approval of the Board.

(b) Registered Club Members may not compete outside of South Australia or Broken Hill without the prior approval of the Board.

(c) Clubs shall not compete in events, other than at school meets or at meets specifically conducted by Swimming SA, with persons who are not Registered Members, nor shall specific events for persons who are not Registered Members be conducted at meets run under the auspices of Swimming SA, unless the events have been specifically sanctioned by the Board. Board sanction shall apply to a specific instance of an event only.

EBL 2
(CR 2)
Date and Location of Swimming Events in South Australia

SwimmingSA events shall be conducted in South Australia and/or Broken Hill subject to the suitability of facilities at the selected location.

EBL 2.1 The dates of all approved swimming events in South Australia shall be determined by the Board. Any Club or District seeking permission to conduct an event must apply to the Board in a form as determined by the Board from time to time.

EBL 2.2 No Club or District Association will be permitted to conduct an event (approved or not) during the period of any South Australian State Championship Event.

EBL 2.3 No Country Club or District will be permitted to host and event during the South Australian Country Championships.

EBL 2.3 No Club or District Association will be permitted to conduct an event (approved or not) during the period of any approved Non-Championship meet conducted by:
- SwimmingSA; and/or
- The District to which the club is assigned; and/or
- Another approved club without written consent from SwimmingSA.

EBL 3 **South Australian Open Swimming Championships**
(CR 3 & 4)

SwimmingSA shall each year conduct the:
- South Australian Open Long Course Swimming Championships (50m); and
- South Australian Open Short Course Swimming Championships (25m).

EBL 3.1   The Board shall approve the order of events and duration of the championships. The events may be:
- conducted over more than one State Championship Meet; and/or
- swum separate to age group events or medals may be awarded upon cumulation of age group results for the relevant event; and/or
- designated to be swum as timed finals only; and/or
- split heats of any event over more than one session.

EBL 3.2   The following Open events shall be contested by both male and females (minimum age for entry to an open event is 13yrs), other events may be included as determined by SwimmingSA from time to time:

Events:
Freestyle	50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m
Backstroke	50m, 100m and 200m
Breaststroke	50m, 100m and 200m
Butterfly	50m, 100m and 200m
Individual Medley	200m and 400m
Individual Medley	100m *(Short Course Only)*

EBL 3.3   The following Open Multi-Class (MC) events shall be contested by both male and female with an impairment (minimum age for entry to an open multi-class event is 11yrs) and if numbers permit may be swum with able-bodied events:

Events:
50m, 100m & 200m Freestyle	S1 – S19
400m Freestyle	S6 – S19
50m & 100m Backstroke	S1 – S19
50m & 100m Breaststroke	SB1 – SB9, SB11 – SB19
50m & 100m Butterfly	S1 – S19
150m Individual Medley	SM1 – SM4
200m Individual Medley	SM5 – SM19
100m Individual Medley	SM1 – SM19 (Short Course Only)

EBL 3.4   The following open relay events shall be contested by both male and female Club teams:
Medley Relay	4x50m and 4x100m
Freestyle Relay	4x50m and 4x100m

The following open relay events shall be contested by Mixed Club teams:
Medley Relay	4x50m
Freestyle Relay	4x50m

EBL 3.5   The following open multi-class relay events shall be contested by mixed gender and mixed club teams. Medals will be awarded. Points will not be awarded. Teams to be arranged by SwimmingSA. Where required the number of swimmers per team may be altered.
Medley Relay	4x50m and 4x100m
Freestyle Relay	4x50m and 4x100m

EBL 4 **South Australian Age Swimming Championships**
(CR 5)

SwimmingSA shall each year conduct the:
- South Australian Age Long Course Swimming Championships (50m); and
- South Australian Age Short Course Swimming Championships (25m).

EBL 4.1 The Board shall approve the order of events and duration of the championships. The events may be:
- conducted over more than one State Championship Meet; and/or
- swum in as separate age groups or combined age groups; and/or
- designated to be swum as timed finals only or a combination of heats & finals; and/or
- split heats of any event over more than one session.

EBL 4.2 The following age group events will be contested, and medals awarded as part of the Long Course Championships for males and females:

Event/Age	11yrs	12yrs	13yrs	14yrs	15yrs	16yrs	17/18yrs
50m Freestyle	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Freestyle	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
200m Freestyle	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
400m Freestyle			x		x		x
800m Freestyle			x		x		x
1500m Freestyle			x		x		x
50m Backstroke	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Backstroke	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
200m Backstroke			x		x		x
50m Breaststroke	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Breaststroke	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
200m Breaststroke			x		x		x
50m Butterfly	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Butterfly	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
200m Butterfly			x		x		x
200m Individual Medley	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
400m Individual Medley			x		x		x

Event/Age	8-12yrs	10-14yrs	12-16yrs	14-18yrs
4x50m Club Freestyle Relay	x	x	x	x
4x50m Club Medley Relay	x	x	x	x
8x50m Club Freestyle Relay			x	

EBL 4.3 The following age group events will be contested, and medals awarded as part of the Short Course championships for males and females:

Event/Age	11yrs	12yrs	13yrs	14yrs	15yrs	16yrs	17/18yrs
50m Freestyle		x		x		x	x
100m Freestyle		x		x		x	x
200m Freestyle		x		x		x	x
400m Freestyle			x		x		x
800m Freestyle			x		x		x
1500m Freestyle			x		x		x
50m Backstroke		x		x		x	x
100m Backstroke		x		x		x	x
200m Backstroke			x		x		x
50m Breaststroke		x		x		x	x
100m Breaststroke		x		x		x	x
200m Breaststroke			x		x		x
50m Butterfly		x		x		x	x
100m Butterfly		x		x		x	x
200m Butterfly			x		x		x
100m Individual Medley		x		x		x	x
200m Individual Medley		x		x		x	x
400m Individual Medley			x		x		x

Event/Age	8-12yrs	10-14yrs	12-16yrs	14-18yrs
4x50m Club Freestyle Relay	x	x	x	x
4x50m Club Medley Relay	x	x	x	x
8x50m Club Freestyle Relay			x	

EBL 5   South Australian Country Swimming Championships

SwimmingSA shall each year conduct the South Australian Country Swimming Championships with the program format approved by the Board. It is preferable that this event is conducted in a Long Course (50m) pool. A modified program may be held if event is awarded to a venue denoted for modifications in the Country Championships Application Policy.

EBL 5.1   The Board shall approve the order of events and duration of the championships. The events may be:
- conducted over more than one Country Championship Meet; and/or
- swum in as separate age groups or combined age groups; and/or
- designated to be swum as timed finals only or heats & finals; and/or
- split heats of any event over more than one session; and/or
- results may be collated from heats or finals swims and medals awarded accordingly.

EBL 5.2   The follow Open events will be considered for inclusion (and awarding of medals) for both males and females as part of the Championships:

Freestyle	50m, 100m, 800m and 1500m
Backstroke	50m, 100m and 200m
Breaststroke	50m, 100m and 200m
Butterfly	50m, 100m and 200m
Individual Medley	400m
Club Medley Relay	4x 50m and 4x100m
Club Freestyle Relay	4x 50m and 4x100m
Club Mixed Medley Relay	4x 50m
Club Mixed Freestyle Relay	4x 50m

EBL 5.3   The following Open Multi-Class (MC) events will be considered for inclusion (and awarding of medals) for both males and females with an impairment and if numbers permit may be swum with able-bodied events:

50m, 100m & 200m Freestyle	S1 – S19
400m Freestyle	S6 – S19
50m & 100m Backstroke & Butterfly	S1 – S19
50m & 100m Breaststroke	SB1 – SB9, SB11 – SB19
150m Individual Medley	SM1 – SM4
200m Individual Medley	SM5 – SM19

EBL 5.4   The following Age group events will be considered for inclusion (and awarding of medals) for both males and females as part of the Championships:

Event/Age	11yrs	12yrs	13yrs	14yrs	15yrs	16/17yrs	18yrs&O
50m Freestyle	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Freestyle	x		x		x	x	x
200m Freestyle	x		x		15-16		17 & O
400m Freestyle			x		x		x
50m Backstroke	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Backstroke	x		x		x	x	x
50m Breaststroke	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Breaststroke	x		x		x	x	x
50m Butterfly	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
100m Butterfly	x		x		x	x	x
100m Individual Medley	x		x		15-16		17 & O
200m Individual Medley	x		x		15-16		17 & O
400m Individual Medley			x		x		x

Event/Age	8-12yrs	10-14yrs	12-16yrs	14-18yrs
4x50m Club Freestyle Relay	x	x	x	x
4x50m Club Medley Relay	x	x	x	x
8x50m Club Freestyle Relay			x	

EBL 6 Classification
(CR 6)

South Australian swimming events for nationally and internationally classified swimmers with an impairment shall be conducted in multi-class (MC) format. Swimmers must hold an eligible classification as outlined in EBL 10. Heats shall be seeded according to SW 3 in the Swimming Australia Swimming Rules. Placings for each event shall be determined using the multi-class point score system.

In accordance with MC 2.17 a classified swimmer may require assistance from support staff.

Swimmers with a classification may compete in events which are or are not designated as multi-class. For events not designated as multi-class the swimmer's exemptions only apply if the same event is not offered on the program.

The Referee must clear the pool before and after each heat in MC events. For MC swimmers competing in standard heats, the Referee may choose to waive this instruction.

EBL 7 Qualifying Times
(CR 7)

SwimmingSA shall adopt a qualifying time or break time for each distance and stroke and/or classification for all SwimmingSA events in accordance with the level of competition. Advice of the approved times are published in the handbook of Events, on Swim Central and on the SwimmingSA website.

EBL 7.1 Long Course State Championships
The qualifying times for South Australian Long Course Age and Open Championships, must have been achieved at an approved meet in a 50m pool using electronic timing (including semi-automatic timing (SAT) at anytime after 1 October two years prior to the year in which the events are held unless stated otherwise in the event information book for a particular championship.

EBL 7.2 Short Course State Championships
The qualifying times for South Australian Short Course Age and Open Championships must have been achieved at an approved meet in a 25m pool, using electronic timing (including SAT) at any time after 1 October two years prior to the year in which the events are held unless stated otherwise in the event information book for a particular championship. For swimmers who do not have a time in a 25m pool, a time in a 50m pool will be accepted without any conversion factor.

EBL 7.3 Country Championships
The qualifying times for the South Australian Country Championships must have been achieved at an approved meet in a 25m or 50m pool using electronic timing (including SAT) at any time on or after 1 October two years prior to the year in which the championships are held unless stated otherwise in the event information book for a particular championship. For swimmers who do not have a time in a 50m pool, a time in a 25m pool will be accepted without any conversion factor. Swimmers who do not have a time in a 50m pool, will be seeded on the event qualifying time when the event is held in a 50m pool.

EBL 7.4 **Non-Championship Meets**

Qualifying, Division or Break times for any SwimmingSA approved non-Championship event will be ratified by the event host as determined to be appropriate for the level of competition. Such times must be advertised prior to entries closing for the event and must be made available through the online entry portal. Times may be restricted by (but not limited to):

- Long or Short Course
- 1yr, 2yr or 3yr qualifying period
- Seeded by time or by the qualifying time
- Restricted to times previously achieved at events hosted by the meet host or not
- A maximum number of places available to swimmers in the event or meet
- A maximum length of time available to conduct the event.

EBL 7.5 **Achieving a Qualifying Time**

Qualifying times must be achieved at an approved meet.

Conversion factors must not be used.

Qualifying times achieved at meets conducted by school and other kindred association must conform to the current SwimmingSA School Swim Meet policy.

EBL 7.6 **Distance Event Qualifying**

Where necessary SwimmingSA may allow swimmers to qualify for one event with a qualifying time for another event. Refer to the online entry system and the event information books for each competition to see the application of this by-law.

Non-Championship Events:
- Swimmers must have proof of an existing time to enter the 400m, 800m and 1500m events.
- The following times are accepted:

Event	Time accepted
400m Freestyle	200m or 400m Freestyle
400m Individual Medley	200m or 400m Individual Medley
800m Freestyle	400m or 800m Freestyle
1500m Freestyle	400m, 800m or 1500m Freestyle

Championship Events:
- Swimmers must have proof of an existing time which achieves the qualifying time for the events 800m and 1500m events.
- The following times are accepted:

Event	Time accepted
800m Freestyle	400m or 800m Freestyle
1500m Freestyle	400m, 800m or 1500m Freestyle

EBL 8 **Facility Requirements**
(CR 8)

EBL 8.1 Standards for International competition are found on the World Aquatics website.

EBL 8.2 For South Australian Championships the Board may approve a venue pool of lesser standard than stated in EBL 8.1, provided that:
(a) the length is not less than 50 metres for Long Course and not less than 25 metres for Short Course; and
(b) there is a minimum of 10 lanes for competition and a minimum of 8 lanes for swim down facilities available during the competition period; and
(c) the water is heated and covered; and
(d) Automatic Officiating Equipment is available; and
(e) Video back up timing equipment is available; and
(f) Broadcast lighting is available; and
(g) Disability facilities are available; and
(h) Provisions for Media and Anti-Doping are available; and
(i) The venue holds a minimum of 2000 seats for attendees.

EBL 8.3 For Country Championships refer to SwimmingSA Policy Statements ([Click Here](#))

EBL 8.4 Club and District Events, training and activities must be held in a recognised pool. A recognised pool is one which is included in the Pool Depth Guidelines ([Click Here](#)) and deemed suitable for use under the Pool Depth Policy [Click Here](#).

EBL 9 **Terms and Conditions of Entry**
(CR 9)

EBL 9.1 Participants and spectators must adhere to the following ([Click Here to view](#)):
- Venue terms and conditions of entry
- SwimmingSA membership terms and conditions
- SwimmingSA rules, policies, and code of conduct
- Safe Sport Framework & National Integrity Framework

EBL 9.2 All entrants in an approved swimming event in South Australia (or if under the age of 18 years their parent or guardian) shall declare themselves fit to compete. If an entrant experiences a medical issue whilst competing at, or during an event, the entrant will be required to provide a medical clearance from a health care professional before being allowed to resume competition. The Meet Director/Technical Manager will have the sole authority to adjudicate on this rule.

EBL 9.3 SwimmingSA events are conducted in an alcohol and smoke free environment unless otherwise stated.

Consumption by event attendees and/or distribution of (free or otherwise) Alcohol by Clubs and Districts hosting events is strictly prohibited without SwimmingSA approval.

Advertising of sponsors associated with a Club of District who are:
- members of; or
- sellers of; or
- producers of a category of beverage that is represented by Alcohol Beverages Australia (ABA) is permitted.

The advertising seen through sports sponsorships is regulated through the Alcohol Beverages Advertising Code (ABAC) – a robust independent system with a government representative in its five-strong Management Committee. This ensures the content of the advertisements does not have strong or evident appeal to minors or encourage irresponsible consumption.

All advertising at Swimming Events in South Australia must meet the advertising EBL 24 and the ABAC. [Click Here](#) for information.

EBL 10 **Eligibility**
(CBL 10)

(a) Events hosted by SwimmingSA, Districts or Clubs (Approved or Non-Approved) are open to Swimmers who:
- are eligible to represent South Australia; and
- are registered with a South Australian Club; and
- meet the entry qualifying time as per EBL 7; and
- meet any relevant EBL 10 eligibility criteria for the particular event.

(b) Any person who has been/currently is a member of a SA Club may transfer to another SA Club and shall swim unattached for a period of 90 days. They shall not score points for their new club and shall not compete in Club relays. This does not apply if they have transferred from another State to SA.

(c) All swimmers who are not registered with a South Australian club will be classed as visitors subject to EBL 10.1.

(d) Each swimmer entered may be subject to doping control tests as determined by the appropriate doping authority.

(e) Certain events may also be open to those swimmers who meet any of the following EBL 10 Eligibility criteria as advertised for a particular event.

EBL 10.1 Visitor Eligibility

(a) The SwimmingSA Board will determine which events in South Australia are open to visitors with the guiding principle of ensuring SwimmingSA members receive priority to compete in South Australian Championship and Non-Championship meets.

(b) The Board may from time to time restrict or accept some (but not all) visitor entries from a club, region, state or group of the above. Written permission to compete as a visitor at events in South Australia may be required.

(c) Should a particular event be open to swimmers who are not members of a South Australian club each swimmer must satisfy either 10.1 (c) or (d) below; and
   ▪ will be considered a visitor for the event; and
   ▪ will not be eligible to represent or score points for a South Australian club or district.

(d) Swimmers who are registered with an Australian Club and meet the entry qualifying time as per EBL 7 and hold a valid clearance from their state (where applicable) or

(e) Members of other federations affiliated to World Aquatics who meet the entry qualifying time as per EBL 7 and hold a valid clearance from their federation.

EBL 10.2 Learn to Swim, Come n Try and Affiliate Membership Eligibility
To be updated from 1st October 2023

EBL 10.3 Country Championships Eligibility
A competitor in the Country Championships must be:
(a) A registered member of a SwimmingSA Country club and have had their permanent place of residence in a Country district for a period of 28 days prior to the closing date of entries; or

(b) a registered member of a SwimmingSA Country club and not have been a member of a Metropolitan club during the 12 months preceding the closing date of entries; or

(c) a swimmer classed as a visitor who meets the EBL 10.1 criteria and meets one of the following criteria:
   ▪ a member of a Swimming Australia affiliated country/regional club
   ▪ a member of a World Aquatics affiliated federation who is training with an Australian country/regional club

EBL 10.4 Swimmers with an Impairment Eligibility
All approved events in South Australia are open to Swimmers with an impairment who may compete in multi-class or able body events or a combination of both as available at a particular event.

(a) Swimmers with an impairment wishing to compete in events designated as Multi-Class must hold a classification according to the classification database held by Swimming Australia in line with eligibility requirements outlined in the Swimming Australia Classification Policy and procedures for classes 1-10 (physical), 11-13 (vision), 14 (intellectual), 15 (hearing), 16 (transplant), 17 (transition), 18 (intellectual impairment with a significant other impairment) and 19 (autism).

(b) A swimmer's national or international classification must be current to compete.

(c) A swimmer who holds a provisional or expired classification will be allowed to compete at all events until they are called in for their next classification assessment.

(d) A swimmer who holds an expired classification and who have not reported for their scheduled renewal appointment will be considered exhibition swimmers at Championship events.

EBL 10.5 Eligibility - Age

(a) A minimum or maximum age for a limited age competition or event will be stipulated in the event information for the relevant event. Refer to the online entry system (Click Here) for details.

(b) The minimum age for swimmers entering individual events at the South Australian Open Championships is 12 years for girls, 12 years for boys and 10 years for MC swimmers as at the first day of competition.

(c) The minimum age for swimmers entering individual events at State Age and Country Championships is 11yrs as at the first day of competition.

(d) The minimum age for swimmers entering relay events at State and Country Championships is 8yrs as at the first day of competition.

(e) The minimum age for swimmers entering a Masters competition is 18yrs as at the 31st December. Swimmers aged 12-17yrs may be invited to compete in Masters events where the event has been sanctioned by SwimmingSA.

(f) The minimum age for any swimmer at a non-Championship event may be specified in the relevant event information. Regardless of a specified minimum age (or not) the minimum standard for entry to a SwimmingSA Approved Event or an event hosted by a Club or District is the ability for the swimmer to safely complete the distance of the event in which they are entering. Some events will require waivers for competition.

(g) A swimmer may be asked to produce a birth certificate or statutory declaration to confirm their age.

EBL 10.6 Swimmers Ineligible to Compete

(a) In the event of a question arising as to the eligibility of any swimmer under EBL 10, the swimmer affected will need to refer the question to the Board of SwimmingSA and its determination shall be final.

(b) Events for swimmer's ineligible to compete according to any SwimmingSA Clause within the SwimmingSA Constitution, By-Laws, Event By-Laws and/or Swimming Rules shall not be conducted at an approved SwimmingSA meet without permission of the Board.

(c) Members who hold a dry membership type (parent, official, coach, life member etc.) shall not enter any competition under any circumstance unless approved by the Board.

EBL 11 Entries
(CR 11)

(a) International swimmers interested in entering Australian swimming events must contact SwimmingSA for entry details

(b) All entries from members of Australian Clubs (including Masters clubs) are to be submitted via the online entry system (Swim Central) prior to the published closing date. Online entries will close no earlier than 21 days prior to the start of competition for SwimmingSA approved events.

(c) Late entries may be considered by the Event Host and if accepted, a late entry fee will be charged.

(d) An entry fee shall be determined by the Event Host and charged for each:
- individual event or team entry; and/or
- swimmer per meet

(e) A maximum number of entries or entry limits may apply to individual and/or relay events at the discretion of the Event Host and must be adhered to.

(f) Unlimited entries for all individual events at Championship Events shall be accepted provided the qualifying times are achieved as per EBL 7.

(g) Only recognised Clubs, Districts, States or Federations have the authority to nominate swimmers for relay events at SwimmingSA competitions.

EBL 12   Team Managers Meeting
(CR 12)

A team managers meeting shall be held prior to competition at an advertised time and place and in one of the following formats:
- Prior to the first day of the meet (electronically)
- On the first day of the meet (in person)
- Prior to the start of each day of a multi-day meet (in person)
- As called by the Chairman of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Meet Director, Technical Manager or Referee of the event (electronically or in person)

This meeting is the opportunity for Team Managers ([Click Here for Policy Information](#)) to lodge any split, withdrawal or relay nomination forms and discuss any errors or omissions with the Meet Director or their nominated representative. Any updated competition information will be provided to the managers at this meeting. Refer to EBL 20 in relation to lodging Relay Sheets.

EBL 13   Conduct at Swimming Events
(CR 13)

All attendees must abide by the Swimming Australia Code of Conduct, Safe Sport and Integrity Policies, Event and Venue Entry Terms and Conditions (see EBL 9).

Betting shall not be allowed at an event and it shall be the duty of every member and attendee to take the best means in its power to enforce this Rule. Any Club or Member failing to take prompt measures to suppress betting at its meets shall be liable to suspension for such times as the Board may deem necessary.

EBL 14   Marshalling & Reporting for Distance Events
(CR 14)
EBL 14.1   Marshalling
One event is defined as including ALL heats of that event. For competitions with marshalling, any swimmer entered in the first or second events who fails to report to the Marshalling area at least ten (10) minutes prior to the scheduled time for the start of the session on that day, is deemed to have withdrawn from that event. Once the competition has started, any swimmer who fails to report at least two (2) events prior to the event in which they are entered, shall be deemed to be withdrawn.

EBL 14.2   For final events with reserves listed – each reserve must report as above and remain in the marshalling room until advised otherwise by the Marshall.

EBL 14.3   The provided Timeline is a guide only. EBL 14.1 & 2 must be adhered to.

EBL 14.4   Reporting for Distance Events
In events with timed finals where the fastest heat/s is swum in the final's session, all swimmers for every heat must declare their intent to swim in the session in which the slower heats are scheduled to be swum.

EBL 14.5   Swimmers are required to declare their intent to swim:
- before the time specified in the event information; or
- if no time is specified, at the team managers meeting prior to the commencement of the session in which the slower heats are to be swum

EBL 14.6   Any swimmer not declaring their intent to swim at the appropriate time will be deemed to be withdrawn from the event.

EBL 14.7   After the close of intentions to swim for distance events reseeding will occur as needed with the fastest swimmer/s being allocated a lane for the Finals session. If as a result of withdrawals from the event a swimmer having indicated their intention to swim is seeded to swim in the fastest heat(s) they must swim in that heat even if they were originally seeded to swim in a heat in the session in which the slower heats are swum.

EBL 15   Withdrawals
(CR 15)

EBL 15.1   In all competitions, finalists, semi-finalists and all reserves up to and including thirtieth place (30th) wishing to be withdrawn from a semi-final or final shall do so in writing and signed by the competitor or their authorised representative within thirty (30) minutes following the posting of the results for that event. Once a withdrawal form has been submitted, the swimmer cannot be reinstated.

EBL 15.2   An entrant who does not compete in the event after having:
- declared their intent to swim as per EBL 14
- marshalled as per EBL 14
- not withdrawn as required in EBL 15.1; or
- accepted their place in a swim off as per EBL 16.4

shall be deemed a late withdrawal and will be fined the sum of $100.00.

This fine may be waived where there are medical reasons. The Technical Manager and/or the Referee shall determine the acceptability on all matters and their determination shall be final.

EBL 15.3   Entries for future South Australian swimming events will not be accepted by SwimmingSA for swimmers who have not paid fines outlined in EBL15.2.

EBL 16   Swim-offs

EBL 16.1   At Championship events swim-offs may be required in the event of a tie for:
- 10/11 place for a final or 12/13 place for reserves (where 10 lanes are used); or
- 8/9 place for a final or 10/11 place for reserves (where 8 lanes are used); or
- 7/8 place for a final or 9/10 place for reserves (where 7 lanes are used)
- 6/7 place for a final or 8/9 place for reserves (where 6 lanes are used)

EBL 16.2   An announcement will be made for the team managers to report to the Control Room where they will be advised that a swim off may be required.

CBL 16.3   The Technical Manager is responsible for arranging the swim-off and will instruct the session Referee and Control Room Supervisor when the swim-off will take place. The swim-off will be scheduled in a timely manner. Wherever possible, this will be immediately following the conclusion of the 30 minutes from the closing time for withdrawals from the respective event to enable final results to be published.

EBL 16.4   By accepting their place in the swim-off a swimmer has indicated their intention to swim in the final (or be a reserve for the final) and may not withdraw after the swim off.

EBL 17   Semi-Finals and B Finals
(CBL 17)

EBL 17.1   Semi-finals may be conducted for Long or Short Course Events. Further to this A and B finals may also be conducted as prescribed in the Event information Book for the relevant Event.

EBL 17.2   B finals will be conducted for the South Australian Long Course Open Championships for the 50m, 100m, 200m and 400m events provided at least 20 competitors contest the heats. After withdrawals should there be less than the following number of swimmers registered to compete in the A and B Final then the B Final may be cancelled:
  - 13 swimmers (where 10 lanes are in use for the meet); or
  - 11 swimmers (where 8 lanes are in use for the meet).

EBL 18   Timed Finals

EBL 18.1   All events conducted at Non-Championship competitions are deemed to be Timed Finals unless otherwise stated in event specific information.

EBL 18.2   When the 800m and 1500m Freestyle distances for both male and female are contested at a Championship Event, places shall be awarded based on times (i.e. no Final will be held). Swimmers will be seeded in heats according to fastest declared time. The sequence shall be on the basis of slowest heat first and fastest heat last. These events may be conducted in either heats or Finals sessions according to programming requirements.

EBL 18.3   When the 400m Freestyle and Individual Medley are conducted at the Country Championships for both males and females, places shall be awarded based on times (i.e. no Final will be held). Swimmers will be seeded in heats according to fastest declared time. The sequence shall be on the basis of slowest heat first and fastest heat last. These events may be conducted in either heats or Finals sessions according to programming requirements.

EBL 18.4   All multi-class Championship events are designated as Timed Finals

EBL 18.5   Short Course Championship events may be designated as Timed Finals

EBL 18.6   Club relays shall be conducted as Timed Finals

EBL 19   Finals, Placings and Awards
(CR 19)

EBL 19.1   Championship Finals
           All swimmers must compete in the heats and achieve the championship event qualifying time to compete in a Final.

EBL 19.2   Long Course State Championships
           (a) For the SA Open LC Championships – When conducted as a standalone event (Separate from the Age Championships) Open Finals will be conducted; and:
               - A and B Finals will be swum as per EBL 17.2
               - There will be a maximum of three (3) visitors per A Final and an unrestricted number in the B Final; or

           (b) For the SA Age LC Championships – When conducted as a standalone event (Separate from the Open Championships) Age Finals will be conducted; and:
               - Finals will be swum in the appropriate age groups; and
               - Only A Finals will be conducted with a maximum of two (2) visitors per age group Final unless there are not enough South Australians to fill all Final places.

           (c) For a combined SA Age and Open LC Championships – All swimmers swim in the heats and based upon heat times open medals will be awarded for those events where both age group and open medals are offered; and
               - Finals will be swum in the appropriate age groups; and
               - Only A Finals will be conducted with a maximum of two (2) visitors per age group Final unless there are not enough South Australians to fill all Final places.

EBL 19.3 Short Course Championships

For the SA SC Championships – Finals may be conducted where the facility and programming allows time to do so. Finals will be conducted in one of the three formats noted above in EBL 18.2 (a), (b) and (c).

EBL 19.4 Country Championships

For the SA Country Championships - Finals may be conducted where the facility and programming allows time to do so; and:

- All swimmers swim in the heats and based upon heat times open medals will be awarded for those events where both age group and open medals are offered; and
- Finals will be swum in the appropriate age groups; and
- Only A Finals will be conducted with a maximum of two (2) visitors per age group Final unless there are not enough South Australians to fill all Final places.

EBL 19.5 Placings for Multi-Class Events

Placings will be determined from the Multi Class Point Score System.
Highest point scoring swimmers will be declared the winner of the event.

EBL 19.6 Championship Placings and Medals

(a) The winner, second, and third place-getters in each Championship event shall receive a medallion of special design. The first medallion shall be of gold colour, the second medallion shall be of silver colour and the third of bronze colour. Further to this the first three South Australian registered swimmers shall be awarded Gold (1st SA Swimmer), Silver (2nd SA Swimmer) and Bronze (3rd SA Swimmer) medals.
No medal shall be awarded if the place-getter fails to achieve the qualifying time set for the event or is disqualified.

(b) The fastest swimmer eligible to represent South Australia to finish in each Championship event shall receive the title of "South Australian Champion or South Australian Country Champion". In the event of any swimmer who is not eligible to represent South Australia gaining 1st, 2nd or 3rd place, a medallion shall be awarded similar to that given by SwimmingSA to any eligible swimmer gaining such a place.

EBL 19.7 Non-Championship Awards

(a) All competitors will accumulate points towards the SwimmingSA seasonal Club Pennants for the Long Course and Short Course Season. Points will be awarded at all non-championship meets conducted by SwimmingSA (for example - All in, Division1, Christmas Cracker).

(b) The following SwimmingSA Pennants will be awarded each season:

- Handicap Pennant awarded to the club with the highest handicap percentage at the end of each LC and SC season. The formula for calculating the handicap percentage is: number of points scored divided by number of swimmers entered (calculated at the conclusion of each meet, awarded at the end of the series). Where a team enters five or less competitors, the total points scored will be divided by five.

(c) Clubs and districts may award recognition to individuals, clubs or districts in the form of certificates, medals, ribbons, trophies, pennants or cash prizes so long as the following conditions are observed:

- All awards must be advertised prior to the close of entries for the event including the process by which these awards are obtained by a team or individual; and

- Any cash prize must be awarded ensuring the sports match fixing, gambling and betting policies are observed; and

- Sponsor prizes may be awarded but must not include alcohol or tobacco irrespective of the age of the recipient or event type.

EBL 20   Club Relays
(CR 20)

EBL 20.1   Club Entry Limits – Relay Events
In Club relay events a maximum of two teams from the same Club may contest the event. No more than two teams from the same Club shall contest the Final of an event (where heats and finals are to be conducted); and only one team can score points and receive medals.

EBL 20.2   Swimmer Limits – Relay Events
At the State Relay Championships swimmers may only compete in a maximum of five relay events. At the State Open Championships swimmers may only compete in a maximum of six relay events.

EBL 20.3   Swimmer Limits – Age / Open Designated Relay Events
Swimmers may only swim for their Club once in any relay event designated as Open.

EBL 20.4   In addition to EBL 20.3 a swimmer may also only swim in one age category in any freestyle or medley relay event designated with an age group. *Ie. 12&U 4x50 medley relay and 14&U 4x50m freestyle relay is an acceptable combination*

EBL 20.5   In addition to EBL 20.3 & 20.4 a swimmer may only swim one leg of an All-Age Club Relay Event.

EBL 20.6   Relay Team Nominations / Sheets
A list of swimmers (minimum of four and maximum of eight) intending to swim in relays must be provided at the time of nominations. All relay nominations are to be submitted via Swim Central prior to the closing date.

EBL 20.7   The composition of a relay team may be changed between heats and final. (See also SW 10.12)

EBL 20.8   In heats, timed finals and final relay events, the names of the swimmers and reserve swimmers and the order in which they are to swim shall be submitted in writing, on the prescribed form to the Control Room Supervisor or their representative:
- at the Team Managers Meeting held one hour prior to the commencement of the session at which the relay event is to be swum.
- If there is no team managers meeting for that session, then sheets must be handed in during the team managers meeting at the preceding session.
- Permitted late changes must be handed to the Control Room Supervisor (CRS) at least one (1) hour prior to the start time of the relevant session.
- Substitutions in relay teams at Championship meets may only be made from swimmers already entered in the meet database.
- At other meets, any substitutions of swimmers who are not already entered in the meet database will result in the team being classified as an exhibition team

EBL 20.9   Non-Australian citizens who are not members of another federation affiliated to World Aquatics, may compete in relays and score points for an Australian Club, district or state with which they are currently registered.

EBL 20.10 Regional Relays – Country Championships

At the Country Championships two teams per district will be accepted per event observing the following criteria:

(a) The team is made up of swimmers from a minimum of two different clubs eligible to represent the region; and

(b) If entering two regional teams, any combination of the total number of swimmers must not be able to form an individual club team for the event.

Regional relay teams will be treated in the same manner as visitors and will therefore receive a visitor's medal, score points and proceed to any finals accordingly. Regional relays will be eligible for SA Country Records.

EBL 20.11 Regional Relays – State Championships

At the SA Championships, Regional relay entries will be accepted from SA Country Regions only. A maximum of two teams may be submitted per region. These teams will be considered as South Australian and will be ranked and win medals accordingly with the other competing clubs.

EBL 20.12 Multi-Class Relays

- Multi-Class Relays will be selected by SwimmingSA for State and Country Championships based upon the number of athletes with an impairment available for the event.
- Athletes will be allocated to teams of four swimmers where possible considering:
  - Availability of swimmers to make teams of four; and
  - Ability of swimmers; and
  - Impairment of swimmers.
- Medals will be awarded to the first, second and third placed teams with the winning team being the team with the highest percentage of the Multi-Class Point Score Base Time.

    Calculation Formula:
    (MCPS Base Time / Team Swim Time) * 100 = Percentage

- Points will not be awarded and where possible swimmers will compete in teams of mixed gender and club representation.

EBL 20.12 Relays in Open Club Carnivals

At Open Club Carnivals endorsed by SwimmingSA, In the case where a club has entered a relay team for an event at the Carnival and finds that it can no longer supply sufficient swimmers for that team (either insufficient numbers or not enough swimmers of the correct gender), they may, with the approval of the Referee, co-opt registered swimmers from their own club, another club or clubs to make up the numbers in the team or use swimmers of the wrong gender or both. The Referee may approve the team to swim in the heats. They will be called exhibition and may not score points or progress beyond the heats.

EBL 20.13 Swimming Australia's Coach Leadership Team may submit composite relay teams. Composite relay teams are not eligible to win medals and/or score points towards the club point score.

EBL 21 Protests and Jury of Appeal

The purpose of a protest is to resolve a dispute made by an individual, team or Club against a decision made by an official. A rule of fact cannot be protested against e.g. something demonstrated to exist or known to have existed; or a real occurrence; or an event. An example of this would be: that the swimmer was in the lane. Video/photographic evidence is not considered evidence and cannot be used in a protest.

EBL 21.1 Protests are possible
  (a) If the rules and regulations for the conduct of the competition are not observed
  (b) If other conditions endanger the competition and or swimmers or
  (c) Against the decisions of the Referee, however, no protests shall be allowed against decisions of fact

EBL 21.2 Protests must be submitted:
  (a) To the Referee
  (b) In writing on the SwimmingSA protest form setting out the reasons for the protest
  (c) By the responsible team manager
  (d) Together with a payment of $100 AUD
  (e) Within 30 minutes following the posting of results for that specific event

  If conditions causing a potential protest are noted prior to the event a protest must belodged before the signal to start is given.

EBL 21.3 All protests shall be considered by the Referee, taking into account the reasons for the protest (as set out in the SwimmingSA protest form) and any other information the Referee considers relevant. If the Referee rejects the protest, they must state the reasons for this decision. The team manager may appeal the rejection to the Jury of Appeal whose decision shall be final.

EBL 21.4 The Jury of Appeal for all SwimmingSA Approved Events shall consist of three people two of whom shall be Referees. The third person need not be a Referee but shall be an appropriately accredited and experienced SwimmingSA Technical Official.

EBL 21.5 Jury of Appeal Process
  (a) The members of a Jury of Appeal shall elect a Chairperson.
  (b) All members of a Jury of Appeal shall be independent of the protest in question and the Referee against whose decision the protest has been lodged shall not influence the selection of the members of the jury or participate in its deliberations.
  (c) All parties involved in the protest, including the Referee against whose decision the protest has been lodged, who wish to address the jury shall be given the opportunity. The jury may at its discretion call any other involved parties to provide input.
  (d) If a Jury of Appeal cannot be convened the race shall be swum under protest.
  (e) If a race is swum under protest the Referee shall advise competitors accordingly and, if necessary, withhold the result of that race.
  (f) Protests not resolved by the Referee or because of an inability to convene a Jury of Appeal shall be referred to a Jury of Appeal comprising members appointed by the Technical Committee for a decision.
  (g) The Jury shall make its decision within 10 working days of the protest being received

EBL 21.6 If the protest is rejected, the deposit will be forfeited to SwimmingSA. If the protest is upheld the deposit will be returned. Team Managers will receive copy of the completed Protest form.

EBL 22 **Pointscore & Perpetual Trophies**
EBL 22.1 **Pointscore**
  For the purpose of determining Awards based upon Accumulated Points the representatives of the Club gaining places shall be awarded the following points:

Place	Individual Events	Relay Events	Place	Individual Events	Relay Events
1st	10 points	20 points	6th	5 points	10 points
2nd	9 points	18 points	7th	4 points	8 points
3rd	8 points	16 points	8th	3 points	6 points
4th	7 points	14 points	9th	2 points	4 points
5th	6 points	12 points	10th	1 points	2 points

EBL 22.2   If a visitor is placed in an event they shall score the same points as if a South Australian registered swimmer had achieved this place, i.e. no swimmer in the top 10 will need to have their points adjusted.

EBL 22.3   Points shall only be awarded to swimmers or teams achieving the qualifying time in the final or timed final.

EBL 22.4   Where a swimmer who competed is disqualified the position the swimmer would have held shall be awarded to the swimmer who finished next. All the lower placing swimmers shall be advanced one place and club points will be adjusted accordingly. If the disqualification occurs or a protest changes the result after the presentation of awards, the awards shall be returned and given to the appropriate swimmers applying the aforesaid provisions and announced accordingly.

EBL 22.5   Pointscore for Championship Events
    (a)   For any event with a qualifying time this must be achieved at the event (in the Final or Timed Final) for points to be awarded.

    (b)   Places will be awarded from 1st thru 10th when ten lanes are used. Where less than 10 lanes are in use at the event the places and points awarded will be according to the total number of lanes in use.

    IE.   When eight lanes are used, points will only be awarded to eighth place and where 7 lanes are used, points will be awarded to 7th place and so forth.

EBL 22.6   Pointscore for Non-Championship Events
    (a)   Points will be awarded to swimmers and teams placed 1st thru 10th in all approved non-championship events hosted by SwimmingSA, districts and clubs.

    (b)   Where relevant, points will be accumulated towards the awarding of Perpetual Trophies.

EBL 22.7   Perpetual Trophies
Trophies will be awarded to South Australian registered swimmers and clubs only.
Historical trophy information can be found on the SwimmingSA Website – Click Here

EBL 22.8   Perpetual Trophies – Australian Championships

Trophy Name	Category	Calculation
Jean E Urry Perpetual Trophy	Best Individual Performance at the Australian Championships (LC)	Swimmer with the highest World Aquatic /MC point score

EBL 22.9   Perpetual Trophies – South Australian Championships (LC & SC Events)

Trophy Name	Category	Calculation
Peter Bowen Pain Development Trophy	SA Age Swimmer of the Meet	Awarded to the best male and female swimmers aged 18yrs&U based of the most points gained at the Age Championships
Matthew Cowdrey Trophy	Best Multi-Class Performance	Awarded to the swimmer with the highest individual multi-class pointscore at the Multi-Class Championships

EBL 22.10 Perpetual Trophies – South Australian Long Course Open Championships Only

Following Trophies are presented to the Winner of the event as per EBL 22.7.

Trophy Name	Male Event	Trophy Name	Female Event
The Barry Duhne Trophy	50m Freestyle	Harrie W Bridgland Shield	1500m Freestyle
Broomfield Cup	200m Breaststroke	Medley Teams Cup	4x100m Medley
Cecil Ireland Trophy	800m Freestyle	Clifton Trophy	200m Butterfly
Gavin Cousins Cup	200m Butterfly	Menz Shield	4x100m Freestyle
Henley Surf Trophy	400m Freestyle	Norton Cup	100m Freestyle
Henry H.B. Ive Trophy	4x100m Freestyle	Norwood 100m Back	100m Backstroke
Ray Stewart Trophy	400m Individual Medley	Norwood 200m Back	200m Backstroke
Simsmetal Ltd Trophy	4x100m Medley Relay	Thora Prisk Trophy	400m IM
Spencer Major Trophy	100m Freestyle		
Walter Bridgland	1500m Freestyle		

The following Trophies are awarded as per below and with reference to EBL 22.7

Trophy Name	Category	Calculation
Sarah Ryan Trophy	50m Freestyle	Awarded to the fastest Female 50m Freestyler
Harry Eaton Cup	Best Individual Performance	Swimmer with the best percentage of the SA Record in any event at the open or age championships
SwimmingSA State Championship Shield	Best Club Performance	Club gaining the most points at State Age and Open LC Championships inclusive of individual and relay events.
The Waite Cup	Most Outstanding Breaststroke Performance	Swimmer with the best percentage of the SA Record in any distance or age at the State Long Course Age or Open Championships

EBL 22.11 Perpetual Trophies – South Australian Long Course Age Championships Only

Following Trophies are presented to the Winner of the event as per EBL 22.7.

Trophy Name	Event
Stevenson Shield	Male 18yrs&U 4x50m Freestyle relay
Leahy Shield	Female 18yrs&U 4x50m Freestyle relay

EBL 22.12 Perpetual Trophies – South Australian Short Course Championships Only

The follow trophies are awarded as below with reference to EBL 22.7

Trophy Name	Calculation
Bayside Aquatic Shield	Awarded to the Club with the Highest Pointscore in Individual Events at State Short Course Championships
Frank Beaurepaire Shield	Awarded to the Club with the Highest Pointscore in Relay events at the State Short Course Championships
Maidstone Trophy	Best Individual Female performance at State Short Course Championships with the best percentage of SA Record in any event.
Presidents Trophy	Best Individual Male Performance at the State Short course Championships with the best percentage of SA Record in any event.

EBL 22.13 Perpetual Trophies – Country Championships

Following Trophies are presented to the Winner of the event as per EBL 22.7.

Trophy Name	Event
Graham Mashford Trophy	Male 100m Butterfly
Kassebaum Trophy	Male 100m Freestyle

Following Trophies are presented to the Fastest swimmer or team in the event as per EBL 22.7.

Trophy Name	Event
Van Kuelen Trophy	Female 100m Freestyle
Rachel Cowan Trophy	Female 400m Freestyle
John Faux Trophy	Female 4x100m Medley Relay
Ray Jewaskiewitz Trophy	Male 4x100m Medley Relay
City of Whyalla	Female 4x100m Freestyle Relay

The following Trophies are presented to the Best Individual Swimmer with the most points gained with reference to EBL 22.7

Trophy Name	Male	Trophy Name	Female
Bryant Trophy	11yrs & Under	Braendler Trophy	11yrs & Under
Klieve Trophy	12/13yrs	Bowen Pain Trophy	12/13yrs
Rogers Trophy	14/15yrs	Fairweather Trophy	14/15yrs
McKinnon Trophy	16/18yrs	Papple Trophy	16/18yrs
Seyfang Trophy	Open	Krueger Trophy	Open

The follow trophies are awarded as below with reference to EBL 22.7

Trophy Name	Calculation
Development Trophy	Awarded to the best male and female individual swimmers based on the best record percentage of the SA Country Record in any event.
SwimmingSA Country Championship Shield	Awarded to the club scoring the most points at the SA Country Championships

EBL 22.14 Perpetual Trophies – Clubs Carnivals

The Following Perpetual Trophies presented to clubs at the conclusion of each membership year with reference to EBL 22.7

Trophy Name	Calculation
Dalton Cup	Club scoring most points in Carnivals
Herraman Trophy	Club score most points in Male events at Carnivals
Jim Gynell Trophy	Country Club scoring most points in Country Carnivals
Laurel Shiels Shield	Club scoring most points in Female events at Carnivals

EBL 22.15 Record Percentage Determination

The procedure for determining Awards for the following trophies based upon Record Percentage shall be (after converting all relevant times to seconds including decimal place):

Trophy Name	Calculation
Eaton & Waite Cup	SAR (LC) [at the start of the meet] x 100 / Swim Time
President & Maidstone Trophies	SAR (SC) [at the start of the meet] x 100 / Swim Time
Development Trophies – Country Champs	SACR (LC) [at the start of the meet] x 100 / Swim Time
Matthew Cowdrey Trophy	Highest Score in the MCPS

In each case the swimmer with the highest percentage from these calculations is the winner

EBL 23   Records
SwimmingSA shall recognise age and open records in events, which are included on the programme. Refer to SSA Swimming Rule SW 12 for further detail of records categories recognised.

EBL 23.1 Establishment of New Record Categories
When a new record category for an age group and/or style and/or distance is approved, the Board may also establish a standard time which shall be the slowest time at which a record can be created.

EBL 23.2 Restricted Age Records
For the purpose of establishing restricted age records a competitor's age shall be taken to be the age on the day on which the record is established, irrespective of the age group the swimmer is competing in at the event.

EBL 23.3 Membership Eligibility
A swimmer must be a current member of a federation that is a member of World Aquatics at the time of setting a record and at the time of claiming a record.

EBL 23.4 Claiming a Record
When records are broken at:

(a) International events, where the Australian Team is competing, these records are updated automatically. No application is required.

(b) International events, where there is not an Australian Team competing, it is the responsibility of the competitor who claims to have achieved a new record to submit an online application form within 21 days of the date of the meet for the record to be recognised.

(c) Swimming Australia events, these records are updated automatically after the event. No application is required.

(d) SwimmingSA events, these records are updated automatically after the event. No application is required.

(e) Interstate events, where the South Australian Team is competing, these records are updated automatically. No application is required.

(f) Interstate events, where there is not a South Australian Team competing, it is the responsibility of the competitor who claims to have achieved a new record to submit an online application form within 21 days of the date of the meet for the record to be recognised.

(g) Club and District Carnivals, it is the responsibility of the competitor who claims to have achieved a new record to submit an online application form within 21 days of the date of the meet for the record to be recognised.

(h) School Swim Meets, it is the responsibility of the competitor who claims to have achieved a new record to submit an online application form within 21 days of the date of the meet for the record to be recognised.

EBL 23.5 Record Requirements
For record applications to be considered, the meet must satisfy the following criteria:

(a) be an approved meet by SwimmingSA; and
(b) be conducted in a recognised 25m or 50m pool; and
(c) be conducted under the rules of SwimmingSA; and
(d) have all times recorded using automatic or semi-automatic timing equipment; and

(e) have the results loaded to swim central by the meet host; and

(f) have the meet manager backup file submitted to SwimmingSA by the meet host; and

(g) have the adequate number of officials present as described below.

EBL 23.6 Record Requirements Officials

The following minimum number of officials are required to establish records

- Two Referees
- Two Starters
- Two Judges of Stroke
- One Automatic Officiating Equipment Operator or Three timekeepers if Semi-Automatic Timing is in use.
- Inspector of Turns as per number of lanes in the pool:

Pool Size (number of lanes)	Number of IOT's
Nine or Ten	Five
Seven or Eight	Four
Five or Six	Three
Four or less	Two

EBL 24 General Swimwear Policy

EBL 24.1 All swimwear must be World Aquatic approved and are subject to the Swimming Australia Commercial Guidelines

EBL 24.2 Subject to EBL 23.6 and 23.7, In pool and open water swimming competitions the swimmer must wear only one swimsuit in one or two pieces. No additional items, like arm bands or leg bands shall be regarded as parts of a swimsuit. For pool swimming competitions swimsuits for men shall not extend above the navel nor below the knee, and for women, shall not cover the neck, nor extend past the shoulder, nor below the knee. The swimsuits shall be made from textile materials.

EBL 24.3 The swimwear (swimsuit, cap and goggles) of all swimmers shall be in good moral taste and suitable for the individual sports disciplines and are not to carry any symbol which may be considered offensive.

EBL 24.4 All swimsuits shall be non-transparent. It is permissible to wear two caps.

EBL 24.5 Modification of swimsuits to accommodate a swimmer's impairment is permitted as per **WPS10.15.2**. Proposed modified swimsuits shall be presented to the Technical Manager prior to the swimmers first event at the competition for approval.

EBL 24.6 Unless otherwise directed by Swimming Australia, swimmers may wear swimsuits that do not bear a valid World Aquatics approval label provided they satisfy the material requirements outlined in the current World Aquatic requirements for swimwear approval and meet the following criteria:

(i) Men's swimsuits are limited to one (1) suit that covers at most the body surface from hips to knee/s. Swimsuits may not extend above the waist or below the knees;

(ii) Women's swimsuits are limited to one (1) suit in up to two (2) pieces that is of 'open back' and 'open shoulder' designs that may extend down to the knee; swimsuits must not extend below the knees;

(iii) No zippers or other fastening devices are allowed except for a waist tie; and

(iv) Swimsuits must be of textile material (i.e. permeable textile open mesh materials such as cotton, nylon, lycra and the like) with no application of surface treatment closing the open mesh structure.

EBL 24.7 Notwithstanding any other clause in this by-law, swimsuits may be modified or alternative swimsuits may be worn to accommodate a swimmer's individual needs and preferences, including in respect of modesty, religious or cultural purposes, gender identity, physical disability or in connection with any other protected attribute under federal or state anti-

discrimination legislation provided any modification or proposed alternative swimsuit:
(a) complies with the Swimming Australia Inclusive Swimwear Policy; and
(b) is approved by the Technical Manager prior to the swimmer's first event at the relevant competition.

EBL 24.8 The referee of a competition has the authority to exclude any swimmer whose swimsuit or body symbols do not comply with this rule.

EBL 25   Advertising
At Australian swimming events, competing clubs and swimmers must observe the following regarding advertising on clothing and equipment.

EBL 25.1   Swimsuits Identification in the Form of:
(a) One manufacturer's logo of a maximum size of 30 square centimetres when worn. Where one-piece body suits are used, two logos of the manufacturer shall be permitted, one above the waist and one below the waist of a maximum size of 30 square centimetres each when worn. These two logos of the manufacturer shall not be placed immediately adjacent to each other. Where two-piece body suits are used, the two logos of the manufacturer shall be placed on one piece each

(b) The manufacturer's logo must be calculated taking into consideration the entire surface of the logo. One sponsor's logo/name/insignia of a maximum of 30 square centimetres when worn. Clubs with commercial sponsorship opportunities that sit outside of the above points, should contact Swimming Australia for approval

(c) The name and the logo of the Club/State of the swimmer shall not be regarded as advertisements

EBL 25.2   Club/State Caps:
(a) One manufacturer's logo/name/insignia of a maximum of 20 square centimetres (when the cap is not being worn)

(b) One sponsor name/logo/insignia not exceeding 20 square centimetres

(c) The name and the logo of the Club/State of the swimmer shall not be regarded as advertisements

EBL 25.3   Goggles
Two manufacturer logos of a maximum size of six square centimetres each are allowed on goggles but only on the spectacle frame or band.

EBL 25.4   Pool Deck Equipment
All pool deck clothing, including those items listed below may carry two logos/names/insignia (one of the manufacturer and the other one of the sponsor) each with a maximum size of 40 square centimetres.

All accessories and equipment items listed below may carry two logos/names/insignia (one of the manufacturer and the other one of the sponsor) each with a maximum size of six square centimetres.
(a) T shirt, polo, casual shirt, jumper, tracksuit top, bathrobe, deck coat, pants, shorts and skirts – 40 square centimetres

(b) Towels, caps/hats, socks and footwear – six square centimetres

(c) Bags – not greater than 10% of the surface area of the item, to a maximum of 60 square centimetres

For upper-body clothing items only, the manufacturer's logo being a design mark of maximum of eight centimetres in width may additionally be displayed in the form of a strip in

one of the following positions: around the bottom of both sleeves or centred down the outer seam of both sleeves (from the collar across the top of the shoulders down to the bottom of the sleeve).

For lower-body clothing items only, the manufacturer's logo being a design mark of maximum of eight centimetres in width, may additionally be displayed in the form of a strip centred down the outer seam of both legs (from the waistband down to the bottom of the leg).

The name and the logo of the Club/State of the swimmer shall not be regarded as advertisements.

EBL 25.5 Body advertisement is forbidden.

EBL 25.6 Advertising for tobacco is not permitted. See EBL 9 for guidance with regards to Alcohol advertising.

EBL 25.7 These by-laws do not apply to design advertising and trademarks of Swimming Australia or its commercial partners, or the design advertising and trademarks of the major sponsor of a member organisation, so long as this does not conflict with a partner of Swimming Australia.

For the avoidance of doubt, the manufacturer logo cannot be the same as the sponsor logo.

EBL 25.8 Any advertising logos/identifications which are not indicated in EBL 24 are not permitted. In the event that any apparel contravenes these regulations, the club or swimmer must immediately remove the item/s and replace it with apparel which complies with these regulations. In the event that a breach is not immediately remedied, the club or swimmer may be requested to wear attire provided by Swimming Australia.

EBL 25.9 SwimmingSA reserves the right to Inspect any apparel for approval prior to the commencement of the swimming events

EBL 26 **Product Technology Identification**
Where one-piece body suits (swimsuits or wetsuits) are used in competition, two product technology identifications shall be permitted, one above the waist and one below the waist, of a maximum size of 10 square centimetres each when worn. However these identifications shall not be placed immediately adjacent to each other, nor immediately adjacent to any manufacturer's logo. Where two-piece body suits are used, one product technology identification may be placed on each piece.

Other clothing: one additional identification allowed on clothing, limited to product technology identifications, with a maximum size of 10 square centimetres.

Product technology identifications means the technical identification (which shall not include any identification of the manufacturer, or any part thereof) used on clothing to identify any fabric technology.

EBL 27 **Accreditation**
When required accreditation credentials will be provided by SwimmingSA and must be worn fully visible when on pool deck and attending marshalling.

Accreditations will be granted as per the Pool Deck Access Policy (Click Here).
Accreditations will not be granted to any person who does not meet the Working with Children Check requirements.

Athletes must present their accreditation to the Marshall who will check the athlete in. Athletes will collect their accreditation from the accreditation desk after their race.

EBL 28   Strapping / Taping

Swimmers must cover any wounds with waterproof dressing (not band aids) and may after presentation to the Referee of the meet use tape to hold the dressing in place as long as it does not give the swimmer any advantage. Any other strapping must be presented to the Referee who will decide if it gives the swimmer any advantage. Strapping not approved by the Referee is forbidden.

EBL 29   Skins Events Protocols

When planning a Skins event it is essential to distinguish between a Skins event and a Dash for Cash. A Dash for Cash is a one heat event where the competitors are chosen from an earlier event in the programme as determined by the organising group. Prizes as specified are awarded on the placings of that single heat. A Skins event is a series of heats or rounds where the slowest swimmer(s) are progressively eliminated according to a pre-determined plan with the final round determining the prize winner(s). The following instructions relate to planning and running a Skins event..

The first thing to determine is how many prizes are to be awarded. The usual is three but even if there are only two prizes, the aim is to generally have 3 swimmers compete in the last sprint. The other important issue is whether diving is permitted at both ends of the pool.

There is no rule that swimmers must swim to their best in any heats which will lead to a result in Skins. A rule for "swimming out" only applies to handicap events. Indeed in SKINS it is quite common for the fastest swimmers to save themselves in the first round or two.

- There can be any number of rounds but 3 to 5 is typical. This is determined by the organising committee. Examples could include:
  - If there are 10 swimmers, the 2 slowest swimmers are removed each time until just 2 swimmers compete for the top prize. This gives 5 rounds. Alternatively there could be 2 swimmers removed from each of the first two rounds then 3 from the 3rd round leaving 3 to contest the final 4th round.

  - For an 8 lane pool it is usual to have 4 rounds with the 2 slowest swimmers being removed in each of the first 2 rounds and 1 swimmer removed in the 3rd round. Other possibilities are 3 swimmers removed in the first round and then 2 swimmers in the next round and the 3rd and final round producing the prize winners.

  - For a 7 lane pool then 2 slowest swimmers are removed for each of the first two rounds, leaving 3 swimmers to compete in the 3rd and final round.

- Referees are in charge and must decide who will be judging the slowest swimmers to be removed at the end of each round. They should then record placings for all swimmers in the final round. The Referee will make the final decision.

- Events run where timing pads are in place shall use those times to determine the slowest swimmer(s). The rules relating to electronic timing apply. In the case where one swimmer does not activate the pads to record a time the Referee will act as place judge to eliminate the slowest swimmer(s). If this is not possible the additional swimmer(s) will proceed to the next round where the number of swimmers to be eliminated will be adjusted to still achieve the desired result from that round.

- In the case of equal times and therefore impossible to eliminate the desired number of swimmers, the additional swimmer(s) will proceed to the next round where the number of swimmers to be eliminated will be adjusted to still achieve the desired result from that round.

- If any swimmer is disqualified at any time then that swimmer is removed as one of the eliminated swimmers for that round. The disqualified swimmer is eliminated for the entire event and not able to receive any prize. If this happens in the last round then it is up to

the organisers to have a stated decision on what happens to the prize money, ie. do not award the final prize, share the non-awarded prize between the other eligible finalists **or** offer it to the most recently removed swimmer. However, this last option is not always easy to determine so is not recommended. Before the event commences, the convening club must make all contestants aware of their plan should the occasion arise.

- In carnivals with semi-automatic timing systems (eg. Dolphin), the Referee may elect to use the timing system to assist their decision making however, the Referee's decision is always final.

- The most experienced Referee shall take lead control of all events involving prizes or prize money and be involved at the finish end. If separate male and female events are conducted, the same Referee will run both events.

- If swimmers are able to start from both ends of the pool, the Referee will allow **one minute** after the last touch before starting the next round. There will be a 10 second warning when the time is 10 seconds before the finish of the delay. The Referee will give the usual start signal (the long whistle and hand over to the starter) and the starter will treat it as a normal start (with the possibility of DQ – Started before the starting signal or delaying the start).

- If swimmers need to return to the other end of the pool to start, then the Referee will allow **one and a half minutes** for the delay with a 10 second warning as detailed above.

- Skins Events which sometimes form part of the Division 1 programme generally have only one prize, with two swimmers competing in the final round as outlined in the first dot point above. Details will be recorded in the Meet Programme.

- For Skins Events at Open Carnivals, the instructions in the Handbook should give an indication of what criteria are set for eligibility and what method will be used at that pool. These conditions and instructions must also be repeated in the Carnival Programme. If the instructions are not clear the Referees should consult with the Meet Director and make a decision. The Announcer should be given the details and Referees should call all the swimmers together before the first round and clearly state the rules that will be followed.

EBL 30   Split Times
At all events held at the SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre, the following procedures apply for split times:
(a) Referees will only accept split time requests for all backstroke swims.
(b) All other swims/splits required and not mentioned in EBL 29 (a) will be automatically collated through the AOE.
(c) For athletes wishing to achieve split times for events noted in EBL 29 (a), a Certificate of Performance form will need to be handed to the Referee or Technical Manager at the team managers briefing or at least 1hr before the start of the session.

SSW 12.4.4.6   At all events held at the South Australian Aquatic & Leisure Centre, the following procedures apply for split times:

(a)   Referees will only accept split time requests for all Backstroke swims.

(b)   All other swims/splits required will be automatically collated through the AOE

(c)   For athletes wishing to achieve split times for events noted in paragraph (a) above, a Certificate of Performance request will need to be handed to the Referee at least 30 minutes before the start of the session.

At pools other than SAALC which are using the DOLPHIN semi-automatic system:

(d)   In addition to providing the Referee with this form for Backstroke swims, those swimmers who wish to achieve a 50m Split in any event which is being conducted in a Long Course Pool must also submit Certificate of Performance request and are required to provide three (3) Timekeepers to obtain the split.

(e) Where the Dolphin system is not in use, a Certificate of Performance request for ALL splits will need to be handed to the Referee at least 30 minutes before the start of the session. All requests for splits at the non-Timekeeper end of the pool will also be required to provide three (3) Timekeepers to obtain the split.

EBL 31   Officials
(a) All persons appointed as an official must be a registered member, abide by the relevant officials policies and nominate on swim central.

(b) All persons appointed as an official (whether accredited or not) are required to comply with the relevant Working With Children Check Legislation.

(c) All Officials at SwimmingSA meets are expected to remain at their stations until advised by the Announcer or the Technical Manager.

(d) For all SA Championships, wherever possible senior accredited Referees and Starters should be rostered to officiate at all sessions of these meets.

(e) If an error by an official follows a fault by a swimmer, the fault by the swimmer may be expunged. The accidental omission by an official to perform their duties shall not prevent an event being properly conducted unless such omission has prejudiced the chances of any swimmer in a material way.

EBL 32   National Qualifying Time Trial Procedure
The aim of this procedure is to allow swimmers a last chance to achieve National Qualifying times. Swimmers cannot seek a time trial for an event where they already hold a National Qualifying time.
(a) A Time Trial will only be conducted if there is not a SwimmingSA meet scheduled within two weekends of the closing date of the relevant National Championship.
(b) Should a Time Trial become necessary as per EBL 36 (a), details of the entry process will be published by SwimmingSA
(c) If a Time Trial is conducted, a swimmer may only nominate if their time is within National Qualifying times by:
    0.50 sec for 50 m
    1.00 sec for 100 m
    2.00 secs for 200 m
    4.00 secs for 400 m or longer.

EBL 33   Backstroke Ledges
Backstroke ledges, if available, will be used in individual events and the Open Medley Relays at State Championships (LC and SC) at SAALC.

The ledges are to be put in place by the IOT in each lane but the swimmer should adjust the setting to his/her preference. If the swimmer does not wish to use the ledge the IOT is to safely and carefully remove it from the water according to National protocol. The IOT must also remove the ledge from the water prior to the first turn or the finish whichever comes first.

For Open Medley Relays the ledges must be fully removed from the block to allow block use by the next swimmer.

The use of Backstroke Ledges at non-championship events remains at the discretion of SwimmingSA.

EBL 34   Lane Sales / Unallocated lanes

The Board of SwimmingSA has approved Lane Sales for specific meets at SAALC. Sales will not be available for any session of Championship meets. Sales are offered under the following conditions.

(a)   Candidates for a lane sale must satisfy the age, gender and stroke criteria for the specified event.

(b)   Swimmers must purchase an unallocated lane sale through Swim Central and submit their form for consideration to events@sa.swimming.org.au.
- The purchase price will be listed on Swim Central, however is generally double the price of nominations made by the closing date (plus fees and charges).
- A refund (minus fees and charges) will be available for an unallocated lane sale request unable to be fulfilled.
- Cash for lane sales will not be accepted.

(c)   Unallocated lanes will be allocated on a first come first serve basis as available when forms are received up to 24hrs prior to the start of the meet or 9am on the last business day prior to the commencement of the meet.
- Lane sales will not be accepted on the day of the meet.

(d)   A swimmer successfully being allocated a lane will be entered as exhibition and will not be eligible for any awards or progress beyond this one swim in the event.

(e)   Sales can only be approved for lanes not allocated prior to the close of entries.
- Allocations are made in Heat 1 in the first instance and only if there is a greater demand can any unallocated lanes in Heat 2 be sold.
- Lanes previously purchased under normal entry conditions, and which are now vacant are not for sale.

(f)   A swimmer successfully being allocated a lane will be entered as exhibition and will not be eligible for any awards or progress beyond this one swim in the event.

EBL 35   Lane Sales at Club Carnivals

Sales at Open Carnivals are an option available to convening clubs.   Sales are to be offered under the following conditions.

(a)   Conditions for lane sales must be stipulated prior to the meet. In the case where there are more requests than lanes available, the successful requests will be decided by a draw at the time. The swimmer will be entered as Exhibition and not eligible for any awards or points or to progress beyond this one swim in the event.

(b)   The convening club must be able to print updated programmes for key officials, including the system in use for Marshals and Check Starters.

(c)   Any club which prefers to print the programme after withdrawals on the day, must develop their own procedure in line with this By-Law.

(d)   It is recommended that cash payments NOT be taken for lane sales by the host club.

EBL 36   Warm Up

(a)   Officials rostered to perform warm-up duties must be on pool deck at the published time for the commencement of warm-up.

(b)   Any swimmer not complying with the safety aspects of warm-up should be reported immediately to the Referee. Dangerous behaviour will result in immediate suspension of the swimmer from the rest of warm-up and may result in the Referee excluding the swimmer from their first event of that session.

(c) At any carnival where the warm-up procedure and conditions are not published in the Carnival Programme, no warm-up can commence until the Meet Director and the Referee have decided on the procedure and conditions and these have been publicised by an announcement of times and conditions.

EBL 37   Emergency Powers
Under special circumstances the Board may:
    (a) cancel or suspend all or any event or Championships; and/or
    (b) suspend and approve other awards for events and places in lieu of medals and points

EBL 38   Event Policies and Procedures
SwimmingSA adopts the following policies relevant to Events (Click Here to view):
- Club Team Manager Policy
- Country Championships Application Procedure
- Mandated Official Policy
- Medal Presentation Procedure
- Members Competing Interstate
- Provision of Technical Officials to External Bodies
- Pool Depth Policy
- Pool Deck Access Policy
- Use of Backstroke Ledges
- Sports Science Sports Medicine Policy

EBL 39   South Australian Open Water Swimming Championships

SwimmingSA shall each year conduct the South Australian Open Water Swimming Championships. (Refer to the OWS Rules and By-Laws for additional information)