



# **EVENT INFORMATION BOOK**

## **2025 South Australian Open & Multi Class Championships**

Friday 17 - Sunday 19 January

SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Adelaide



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## 2. Event overview

The 2025 SA Open & Multi-Class Championships is a marquee event on the SwimmingSA calendar. Taking place from January 17 to 19 at the SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre, South Australia's premier aquatic venue, this event will showcase our best and emerging talent in swimming. Over three days, athletes from across regional and metropolitan South Australia, as well as interstate and international competitors, will come together to compete in a world-class 50m pool. This event highlights the inclusive and competitive spirit of swimming, celebrating the achievements of both able-bodied and multi-class athletes. Join us for a thrilling celebration of talent, sportsmanship, and community as we support and cheer on these incredible athletes at one of the most anticipated events of the season.

## 3. Competition details

The 2025 South Australian State Open & Multi-Class Swimming Championships is a World Para Swimming-recognised event and a key component of the performance strand within South Australia's competition structure. Qualifying times apply to all individual events. For the Program of Events and Qualifying Times, visit Swim Central or the official event website. A and B Finals will be conducted for events where 20 athletes are entered, and more than 11 remain after withdrawals have been processed. A maximum of three visitors are permitted in the A Final, while an unlimited number of visitors may compete in the B Final. This championship reflects the high standards and inclusivity of South Australian swimming, providing a platform for athletes to excel at a state and national level.

This event is conducted under the SwimmingSA Swimming Rules and Event By-Laws. All participants are expected to comply with these regulations to ensure a fair and safe competition environment. For further details, please refer to the SwimmingSA website or contact event staff for clarification.

## 4. Accessibility

We strive to make this event as accessible as possible for everyone. The venue provides accessible seating, restrooms and pathways. If you require assistance or additional accommodations, please contact SwimmingSA in advance or speak to event staff on-site.

## 5. Event security

SwimmingSA are committed to ensuring the safety and security of all participants and attendees. Security staff will be present throughout the event. If you see anything suspicious or require assistance, please notify venue or event staff immediately.

## 6. Event operating hours

**Pre-Meet Training:** There is pre-meet training is available on Thursday 16 January between 2:00pm and 4:00pm. During this period, the competition pool will be set to 10 x 25m lanes as the middle boom will be moved to 50m configuration overnight. All 10 x 25m lanes will be available for training. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**Club packages collection:** Club packages will be available for collection on Thursday 16 January, during business hours from the SwimmingSA office. Please sign in at SAALC reception to access the SwimmingSA office outside of pre-meet training times. Alternatively, club packages can be collected from event entry during event operating hours.

SESSION	GATES OPEN	WARM UP (COMP POOL)	TEAM MANAGERS BRIEFING	OFFICIALS BRIEFING	SESSION START
AM – Heats sessions	7:30am	7:30am – 8:45am	8:00am	8:30am	9:00am
PM – Finals sessions	3:30pm	3:30pm – 4:45pm		4:30pm	5:00pm

## 7. Meet Programs & results

To streamline distribution and ensure efficiency, spectator programs must be pre-ordered. Meet Mobile and Live Results will be available for accessing results throughout the competition. Complimentary programs will be provided to coaches and team support as part of the club packages.

## 8. Event merchandise

Get ready to show your support with official even merchandise from SwimmingSA partner, Team Elite. Whether you want to plan ahead, or shop during the event, Team Elite has you covered. Merchandise can be pre-ordered online before the meet or purchased in person at their stand located on the concourse at the venue. For those who like to secure their gear early, online orders are now open. Don't miss the chance to grab your favourite items.

## 9. Photography

Get Snap is the official photographer for this championship, capturing all the best moments, including medal presentations, action shots and the atmosphere of the event. Photos will be available online shortly after the competition so you can relive the highlights. If you'd prefer not to have your photo published, please email us at [events@sa.swimming.org.au](mailto:events@sa.swimming.org.au) before the meet begins.

## 10. First Aid

Venue staff are trained in first responder care and will be providing general first aid coverage for all people attending the event. If you require assistance, please don't hesitate to approach a staff member.

## 11. Lost property

Lost property during the event (including accreditation passes) can be found at event entry. Any unclaimed items will be handed over to the venue at the end of each day.

## 12. Behavioural guidelines & National Integrity Framework

SwimmingSA and Swimming Australia are fully committed to the protection of children, young people, and all members in our sport. We encourage all swimming clubs to familiarise themselves with the relevant policies and to prioritise child safety in every aspect of their operations. We provide children and young people with positive, nurturing experiences and ensuring they are protected from harm. Our goal is to maintain swimming as a safe, fair and inclusive environment for all participants. Every member of the Australian swimming community plays an essential role in upholding these principles. Together, we must champion high behavioural standards in our sport and hold ourselves and others accountable to these standards. This commitment is vital for the well-being of our members, participants and the broader community, as well as the continued success and integrity of our sport.

### **13. Team Managers Meetings**

Each club is required to have their team managers attend the daily meeting at 8:00am in the marshalling room. Evening meetings will not be held unless specifically announced in the venue. If an evening meeting is called, it will take place at 4:00pm, one hour prior to commencement of competition.

### **14. Officiating**

The Officials Room will be in the Function Room on Level 2 of the venue. Access to the Function Room is available via the elevator from the event entry or concourse foyers, or Bay 6 in the grandstand. Please note that only individuals who have nominated to officiate are permitted in the function room. To ensure the security of valuables, the Function Room will be locked during sessions. Officials needing to access their belongings during competition must contact SwimmingSA staff or the Technical Manager. Briefings for officials will be held 30 minutes prior to the start of each session (8:30am for heats sessions; 4:30pm for finals sessions) in the Function Room. Please ensure you arrive on time for the briefing.

### **15. Venue access**

Access to the event is available through Event Entry only. We ask all attendees to be patient whilst queuing at the entry points. Accreditation Entry will not be in use for this event.

### **16. Venue parking & traffic management**

Due to this event coinciding with the South Australian School Holidays, the SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre is expected to be very busy throughout all days of the competition. SwimmingSA strongly recommends using public transport to access the venue. For detailed information on public transport services, contact Adelaide Metro on 1300 311 108 or visit their website at [adelaidemetro.com.au](http://adelaidemetro.com.au)

There will be changes to parking access at the SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre on event days. All venue carpark access is via Morphett Road only. Exit is through the multi-story carpark exit to Milham Street. Limited outdoor parking will be available as most spaces will be reserved during the event. Security attendants will manage the carpark during all sessions.

If you are not using public transport, we recommend arriving early to secure parking. Please note, if you leave the venue between sessions, there may not be available parking when you return. Parking for group transport vehicles is not available at the venue or at Westfield Marion. Drop-off zones are located on Morphett Road (near Accreditation Entry), and Warracowie Way (between the venue and Marion Cultural Centre).

Overflow parking is not available at Westfield Marion. Please plan your journey and be prepared to park in neighbouring streets within the area.

### **17. Food & drink**

The grandstand kiosk will be open throughout the event, offering a selection of food and beverages. The main café will also be open (during standard operating hours) accessible by exiting the event via event entry and heading the venue's main entry. For more dining options, nearby cafes and eateries can be accessed at Westfield Marion – a short walking distance of the venue.

### **18. Accreditation**

To ensure the smooth running of this event, SwimmingSA will implement a photo accreditation system to manage access to the venue, restricted areas and create a safe and orderly experience for everyone. Accreditation is required for all participants – this includes coaches, athletes, team support, sport science, event management, contractors, technical officials and volunteers. Accreditations must be worn in a visible position while attending the event. Your club will receive all accreditations in their club pack, so please check with your club for collection details.

## 19. Late & lost accreditations

Accreditation applications submitted after the deadline will require approval by SwimmingSA and incur a \$50.00 fee. If you lose or misplace your accreditation pass, a replacement can be purchased for \$25.00. A \$15.00 refund will be provided if the original pass is found and returned to event entry. We encourage all participants to submit applications on time and take care of their accreditation pass throughout the event.

## 20. Accreditation categories

ACCESS CATEGORY	ACCESS AREAS
Athletes	All competition areas including field of play for duration of event
Technical Officials & Event Volunteers	All competition and event administration areas on the day/s that you are rostered to officiate/volunteer only
Coaches & Assistant Coaches	Warm-up pool, event corridor, viewing platforms (no access to field of play or event administration/control areas unless otherwise specified) for duration of event
Team Support	Warm-up pool, event corridor (no access to field of play or event administration areas unless otherwise specified) on the day/s that you are registered for only – clubs must not exceed quota.
Executive VIP	All areas excluding field of play for duration of event unless otherwise specified on accreditation pass.
Production, Staff, & Contractors	All areas for duration of event unless otherwise specified on accreditation pass.

Your accreditation pass allows you free entry into the venue only on the days specified on your pass. Without it, you will not be allowed entry into the accredited areas.

## 21. Working with Children Checks

All individuals applying for accreditation (excluding athletes and those under 14 years of age) are required to hold a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC). This can be in the form of a DCSI or DHS clearance. Please note that standard police clearances and teacher registrations are no longer legally acceptable as evidence of your WWCC status. Your WWCC must be uploaded to your Swim Central profile and remain valid for the duration of this event.

## 22. Ticketing & spectators

All spectators are required to purchase tickets through Swim Central to gain entry to the venue. Please note that tickets will not be available for purchase onsite. There is no need to print your ticket. Event staff will ask for your name upon entry to confirm your booking. Officials do not need to purchase a spectator ticket however must be nominated online through Swim Central prior to the event. All spectators must pre-purchase a ticket to enter the venue.

## 23. Club packages

Each club is required to collect their club package, which includes programs, all accreditation passes and lanyards for athletes, coaches, officials and team support, relay confirmation sheets and other event notices. Packages can be collected by an authorised club representative from the SwimmingSA office between 9:00am and 5:00pm on the day prior to the event or from event entry on the first day of the event.

## 24. Warm-up & cool-down during competition

Only athletes competing in this event are permitted to access accredited areas, including warm-up and cool-down spaces. Due to the ongoing refurbishment of the water polo/dive pool, warm-up and cool-down protocols have been adjusted. Warm-up and cool-down will primarily take place in the 25m program pool within the leisure area, accessible only to athletes, coaches, and team managers. Accreditation passes are required for access to the leisure area and return to the competition area. The program pool will open 15 minutes before the start of each session and remain available until the session concludes. Additionally, there will be a 30-minute warm-up/cool-down break in the 50m competition pool during each session. Please refer to the timeline for scheduled breaks. Further details will be provided closer to the event.

## 25. Warm-up procedures prior to competition

The following general pool procedure for the Main Competition Pool must be observed during warm up times:

- Lane 0 MC athletes only
- Lane 1 Back starts (one way from start end), walk back
- Lanes 2 – 6 Circle swimming lanes (no diving)
- Lane 7 Pace swimming (no diving)
- Lanes 8 & 9 Dive Start (one way from start end), walk back

## 26. Coaches viewing area

Due to the ongoing venue refurbishment, some access pathways have been modified for this event. A dedicated coaches viewing pod will be available on the northern side of the pool deck at the start / finish end and can be accessed by walking around the competition pool via the 50m start end. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we accommodate these adjustments.

## 27. Marshalling & withdrawals

Athletes are reminded not to attend marshalling until their event is listed on the scoreboard. Personal items must not be left in the marshalling room as they cannot be retrieved after your race. Competitors in the first session of each event must report to the marshalling area at least 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the session. For all other events, athletes must report to marshalling when called via the scoreboard or announcer. Failure to report on time may result in disqualification at the discretion of the referee. All heats in an event, including heats of distance events, are considered one event for the purpose of this rule. All withdrawals must be completed by the Team Manager in the event control room. Athletes are not required to surrender their accreditation pass at marshalling but must have it available to show to marshals.

## 28. Awards & recognition

Points will be awarded to competitors and relay teams based on their finishing positions in each event.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS									
1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
10 pts	9 pts	8 pts	7 pts	6 pts	5 pts	4 pts	3 pts	2 pts	1 pt

RELAY EVENTS									
1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
20 pts	18 pts	16 pts	14 pts	12 pts	10 pts	8 pts	6 pts	4 pts	2 pts

If a visitor places in an individual or relay event, they will be awarded the same points as if a SwimmingSA-registered competitor had achieved that placement. Points for competitors in the top 10 will not be adjusted or redistributed.

## 29. Protests & appeals

Any protests or appeals regarding race outcomes, rule infractions, or officiating decisions must be lodged in accordance with SwimmingSA By-Laws. Team Managers must submit protests in writing to the Referee within 30 minutes of the relevant race's results being posted. Appeals against the Referee's decision may be escalated to the Jury of Appeal, whose ruling is final. Please note that a fee is required for appeals, refundable if the appeal is upheld. Specific procedures and forms for lodging a protest are available from the control room.

### **30. Swimwear (EBL 15.1)**

(1) The swimsuits of all swimmers shall be in good moral taste and suitable for the individual sports discipline.

(2) All swimsuits shall be non-transparent and must conform with FINA approved standards in all respects.

OR

(3) Until otherwise directed by SSA, swimmers may wear 'traditional' swimsuits provided the suits meet the following criteria:

(a) Men's swimwear may not extend above the navel or below the knee. Women's swimwear shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulders or below the knee.

(b) No zippers or other fastening devices are allowed except for a waist tie on traditional swimsuits.

(c) Suits must be of a textile material and must not contain any non-textile material such as polyurethane or neoprene.

Modification of a swimsuit to accommodate a competitor's disability is permitted (IPC 2.13.2). Proposed modification shall be submitted in writing to SwimmingSA for approval at least 14 days prior to the meet. Approval letter and modified swimsuit(s) shall be presented to the Referee prior to the swimmers first event at the competition.

The Referee of a competition has the authority to exclude any competitor whose swimsuit does not comply with this By-Law. Swimwear is limited to one (1) swimsuit.

### **31. Strapping & taping**

To ensure safety and compliance, athletes must cover any wounds with a waterproof dressing (not band-aids). If needed, tape can be used to secure the dressing, but only after approval from the Referee, ensuring it does not provide any competitive advantage. Any other strapping must also be shown to the Referee for approval before the race. Strapping that is not approved by the Referee will not be permitted. Please take a moment to check that all dressings and strapping comply before heading to marshalling.

### **32. Backstroke events**

Backstroke Ledges will be available for use at the championships, but their use is entirely optional. If you prefer not to use one, simply let the inspector of turns know before your race.

### **33. Medal presentation protocols**

Medals will be awarded to the top three placegetters in each event, with gold for first place, silver for second, and bronze for third. If there is an equal placing, medals will be awarded to all equal placegetters, and the next medal position will be omitted. Athletes must bring their team polo or shirt to marshalling and the pool deck, as medallists will proceed directly to the presentation area after their race. Presentations will occur during races and scheduled breaks, so it is important for athletes and team managers to review the timeline before the session begins. Medal ceremonies will include official photos, and competitors are required to remain in the presentation area until the event of their ceremony and photo.

Please note that SwimmingSA prohibits photos being taken on the pool deck, except by the official photographer or with express written consent from SwimmingSA.

### **34. Anti-doping**

Sport Integrity Australia has been notified of this event and may be in attendance. Athletes are reminded that it is their responsibility to adhere to all anti-doping and integrity policies. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your team manager or refer to the Sport Integrity Australia website for further information.

### 35. Medical directory

SA Health – Emergency Department Dashboard (including wait times) – [click here](#)

SERVICE	ADDRESS	SUBURB	PHONE
<b>Emergency (Ambulance, Police, Fire): 000</b>			
<b>Healthdirect – 24/7 registered nurses: 1800 022 222</b>			
Marion Domain Medical & Dental Centre – Priority Care Clinic 10:00am – 8:00pm daily	453 Morphett Road	Oaklands Park	08 8375 7000
Marion Medicare Urgent Care Clinic 8:00am – 8:00pm daily	Inside Marion Domain Medical & Dental Centre 453 Morphett Road	Oaklands Park	08 8375 7055
Royal Adelaide Hospital – Emergency Department Open 24/7	Entrance - Level 2 Royal Adelaide Hospital Port Road	Adelaide	08 7074 0000
Queen Elizabeth Hospital - Emergency Department Open 24/7	Via Gate 2 Kangkanthi building 28 Woodville Road	Woodville South	08 8222 6000
Women’s and Children’s Hospital - Children’s Emergency Open 24/7	Ground Floor Kermode Street or Sir Edwin Smith Avenue or Brougham Place	North Adelaide	08 8161 7044
Flinders Medical Centre – Emergency Department Open 24/7	Level 3 (access via lift – Northern Entrance) 1 Flinders Drive	Bedford Park	08 8204 6065
Calvary Adelaide Hospital – Car 24-7 Private Emergency Care Open 24/7	120 Angas Street	Adelaide	08 8227 7077
United Chemists Marion Domain 8:30am – 7:45pm weekdays 9:00am – 7:00pm weekends	Inside Marion Domain Medical & Dental Centre 453 Morphett Road	Oaklands Park	08 8166 1699
Chemist Warehouse Clovelly Park Open 24/7	1158 South Road	Clovelly Park	08 8276 7633

### 36. Emergency procedures

In the event of an emergency at the venue, please listen carefully to stadium announcements and follow the instructions of venue staff.

#### Stage 1: Alert tones

*(beep... beep... beep...)*

Be aware of a potential emergency – do not evacuate on this tone.

#### Stage 2: Evacuation tones

*(whoop... whoop... “evacuate now!”)*

Evacuate the venue immediately via the nearest emergency exit. Do not use any lifts. Proceed to the nearest external assembly area, and do not re-enter the building until advised by venue staff.





All information in this document is accurate at the time of publication; however, SwimmingSA reserves the right to make updates or changes as required.

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