

Swim Wales Development Meet 2025

Sunday 20th July 2025

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Event Webpage and Venue information

Website link -

https://swimwales.justgo.com/workbench/public/events?ref=DE40FE2 00D9C851110EC41620FFF32781A597E16

License number – 3WL250565

Wales National Pool Swansea, Sketty Lane, Swansea, SA2 8QG. Please use the following web link for all information relating to the venue including car parking fees, on site facilities and general venue information:

https://www.swanseabaysportspark.wales/swim-at-wales-nationalpool-swansea/

Entry Conditions

Entries will open at 10:00am on Monday 26th May 2025

Entries will close at 5pm on Wednesday 25th June 2025

This is a closed Swim Wales event. Entries will be accepted from:

- ✓ active Swim Wales Competitive Club members or
- ✓ active Swim Wales Competitive Individual members with Wales as their country of representation or
- ✓ individuals with Wales as their country of representation as evidenced on the British Swimming rankings database.

Swimmers must be aged 18 or under (age as of 31/12/2025).

- A. Competitors can only compete with one club for the duration of the competition.
- B. Entries <u>will not</u> be taken on a first-come-first-served basis for this event. All entries submitted will be considered and a confirmed entry list will be published after close of entry.
- C. It is the competitor's responsibility to check the draft entry list and inform event management (<u>events@swimwales.org</u>) of discrepancies or errors. This must be raised within 48 hours of the confirmed entry list being published.
- D. In the event of over subscription scratches will be made at the discretion of event management and will be based on entry times. Refunds for scratches will be processed. The fastest



swimmers will be scratched first as this is a development meet.

- E. Entries are not confirmed until published by Swim Wales, we therefore advise attendees to book flexible/refundable travel and/or accommodation arrangements. Swim Wales are not responsible for accommodation/travel and other related costs incurred as a result of event cancellation/venue changes.
- F. Refunds will only be given for entry fees, spectator tickets and poolside passes.
- G. All competitors (with the exception of para competitors, see separate conditions for para competitors below) must have equaled or be slower than the published upper cut off consideration times in a designated or licensed meet (Swim Wales, Swim England, Scottish Swimming and British Swimming).

Consideration times

- A. Upper cut of consideration times will be used for this meet.
- B. The most current time available on rankings will be used for entry.
- C. Times will be considered from level 1, 2 and 3 licensed competitions.
- D. Times will be taken at the point of entry from rankings and will not be updated, amended or refunded (unless medical) after entry is submitted.
- E. We will be excepting no time entries.
- F. 50m pool times or conversions to 50m pool times will be accepted for this meet; a long course 50m time will be taken as a priority followed by short course to long course converted times if a long course 50m time is unavailable.
- G. The time converter used in the entry system that is publicly available for use can be found here:
 - https://www.swimmingresults.org/downloads/equivalent-time/
- H. Consideration times will be accepted from the 1st September 2024.

Para Consideration standards

In addition to meeting the general entry criteria, Para competitors must have an authorised S1-S14 World Para Swimming (WPS), British Para Swimming, Virtus (INAS-FID), or British Blind Sport (British Paralympic Association) classification held on the Home Nation Membership, Virtus master list or WPS Classification database at the time of entry. Swimmers with a Sport Excel (S64 UK Level



Classification) who have an application submitted for Virtus approval will also be eligible.

There are no upper cut off times for Para Swimmers

A para swimmer who is aged over 18 will be able to compete for the purposes of classification.

Entry Prices

- A. Entries (including para competitors) are submitted via the online entry system. Payment for entries will be taken at the point of entry online via PayPal using debit/credit card.
- B. Individual event entry cost: £10
- C. The age of competitors will be taken as 31^{st} December 2025.
- D. By entering this event, you / your child agrees to be bound by the British Swimming Anti-doping Rules from the commencement of the event. You also agree to abide by the British Swimming & UKAD Anti-Doping Rules. For further information, See <u>Anti-Doping | British Swimming</u>

Relay Information

- A. Clubs may enter 1xA and 1xB relay teams per event, but competitors are only allowed to compete in either team A or team B.
- B. Relay event entry cost: £15.
- C. Relay price offer if clubs enter three relay teams, then it will cost £35 or if you enter six teams then it will cost £75
- D. Relays are entered manually by emailing events@swimwales.org
- E. Relay forms, specifying the competitor's information, must be submitted to the timing management team (control room) by the end of warm up of the session that the relay takes place. Failure to submit the relay form in time will result in disqualification.
- F. Relay forms should be submitted in the order in which the team will swim; teams who fail to swim in the submitted order face disqualification.

Meet Conditions

- A. This event will be swum under World Aquatic Rules and World Para Swimming Rules.
- B. Age groups for the individual events are 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17/18 years.



- C. Age groups for the relay events are 9/11, 12/14 and 15/18 years.
- D. Heats will be swum seeded by time regardless of age.
- E. Relays will be swum at the end of sessions 1 and 3 of the event day (please see event schedule further below).
- F. Time trials/exhibition swims will not be permitted at this event. Should a competitor fail to report for their race, the lanes will remain empty as no on-the-day entries can be accepted.

Medals

Medals will be awarded to first, second and third place in individual events in the following age groups for HDW events: 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17/18 years.

Medals for the relay events will be determined by the top three swims for the following age groups 9/11, 12/14 and 15+ years. Para Swimming medals

There will be a para swimming leaderboard.

At the end of the meet, medals will be awarded to the para competitors with the highest British Para Swimming points scored in a single event (British para events only) in each age group on a multi class, multi event basis.

Withdrawals and Refunds

- A. To ensure we fill as many lane spaces as possible and provide the best opportunity to those on reserve entry lists, please inform us of any withdrawals, prior to the heats being seeded, by **midnight on Monday 7th July 2025**. To do this, please contact <u>events@swimwales.org</u> stating your/the competitor's membership number, club, full name and event(s) to be withdrawn.
- B. Any competitor who has been withdrawn by the deadline will not be re-entered into the event(s).
- C. Refunds will not be processed for withdrawals on non-medical



grounds.

- D. Specifically, for medical withdrawals, refunds for entry fees will only be processed on the receipt of a completed medical withdrawal application accompanied by a valid note from a medical professional. Additionally, to qualify for a refund, medical withdrawals must be received by midnight before the event is due to take place.
- E. Email <u>events@swimwales.org</u> to receive a medical withdrawal form and apply for a refund.

Marshalling

- A. Competitors must report to the lead poolside marshals located adjacent to the changing village entrance.
- B. Competitors should follow the directions given by the marshals. It is the competitors, coaches, and team managers' responsibility to ensure the competitors report in plenty of time.
- C. Marshals are in place to guide competitors only and are not responsible for ensuring competitors swim their race(s).

Poolside Passes

- A. Cost £12 per application.
- B. Applications will be available to access on the event webpage/events portal in the Swim Wales Just Go membership system at 10:00 on Monday 30th June 2025.
- C. Applications must be submitted and paid in full by 5pm on Friday 11th July 2025.
- D. Applicants must have a valid DBS, an active membership, and the relevant role-related qualifications. e.g., Coaches' qualification or a Team Manager qualification.
- E. Late submissions (applications submitted at 5pm on Friday 11th July 2025) may result in an additional £5 administration charge.
- F. Passes include use of the refreshments and lunch provision on the upper level of the facility, full event access, event accreditation, and in-person briefing on the morning of the first event day, the morning of the event (TBC).

As part of Swim Wales's efforts to contribute to sustainability and a greener environment, seeded heat programmes will be available to download from the event webpage/events portal in the new Swim Wales Just Go membership system. These will NOT be available to



collect with your poolside passes.

- G. Poolside passes are intended for use for the named individual only; misuse may result in removal of your pass.
- H. Chaperone poolside passes are available, please contact the team on <u>events@swimwales.org</u> for further information and to apply for this type of pass.

Spectator Tickets

If you are a supporter member spectator tickets will be available from Monday 30th June 2025 via the event webpage.

If you are **not** a supporter member spectator tickets will be available Monday 7th July 2025 via the event webpage.

Ticket costs:

Ticket	Price	Price if you have a Supporters Membership
Adult Day Ticket	£8	£6.80
Adult Session Ticket	£4.50	£3.83
Child/Concession Day	£5.50	NA
Ticket		
Child/Concession	£3.50	NA
Session Ticket		
Family Package Day	£22.50	NA
Ticket		
Children Under 5	Free	NA

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General event and venue information

Swim Wales Film and Photography Policy:

Swim Wales are aware of the wide range of devices including mobile telephones which have photographic and filming capabilities. This enables the capture of both static and moving images. Used responsibly, such devices are perfectly safe, but sharing images widely may betray a confidence or identity of an individual which may present a risk of harm to the individual concerned. The use of such equipment is difficult to control but we can all be vigilant. Swim Wales may use photographs taken at this event as promotional material and used across public forums including their website and social media accounts, and possibly the local press and television.

The use of professional camera equipment and flash photography is prohibited at the event:

If you have any concerns or safeguarding queries, please bring them to the immediate attention of the event management team situated at the event information desk on the day of the event. Should you wish to refuse photographic permission please contact the event management team on site. Post event, if at any time an individual wishes an image of themselves to be removed from the public platform, 7 days' notice must be given to Swim Wales after which the data will be removed. The full Swim Wales film and photography guidance can be found at the front of house desk or accessed by emailing events@swimwales.org.

Officials and Volunteers:

Swim Wales invites and welcomes officials and volunteers to support this meet and all are asked, initially, to send an email confirming your interest, membership number and qualification level to support the Swim Wales National Championships to <u>events@swimwales.org</u>. Clubs who have entered more than 10 competitors into the event are expected to provide a minimum of 2 officials.

All of our volunteers and officials are provided with event kit, refreshments, meals and expenses claims. The Swim Wales volunteer expenses policy will be available on the event webpage.

Car Parking:

The car park is large with plenty of spaces. However please be aware, despite our best efforts – the car park is busy and fills quickly. To avoid disappointment, please arrive early. The car park will be managed by security staff, please treat them with respect.



Disrespectful or inappropriate behaviour towards staff will not be tolerated and you may be asked to leave the competition.

The carpark uses a ANPR camera system will be in place for the duration of the competition, therefore, please ensure you have paid and displayed at the ticket machines to avoid a parking penalty fine.

Where possible please arrange to car share or drop offs to help ease congestion. Alternatively, there are 3 nearby pay and display car parks we recommend:

Foreshore Car Park: 4 Mumbles Rd, Sketty, Swansea SA3 5AU – 0.6 miles 12-minute walk

Recreation Ground Car Park: Mumbles Rd, Brynmill, Swansea SA2 0AU – 0.9-mile 19-minute walk

Blackpill Area Car Park: 266 Derwen Fawr Rd, Sketty, Swansea SA3 5AT – 0.8-mile 15-minute walk

Café:

The Café will be open each day (times will be published on the pools website) with a selection of food and drink. There is seating available in the café area.

Seating:

The pool has approximately 1200 seats for spectators, coaches and competitors. Seating areas for coaches/team manager/swimmers and spectators will be clearly identified.

A limited number of seats have been reserved at the top of each section for access users (disabled, wheelchairs etc.) please refrain from using these seats unless required, you may be asked to move. We ask competitors to remain on the bottom 7 rows of chairs to avoid making the stairs and upper balcony wet and slippery. We ask parents remain on the higher seating (7 rows and above).

Changing village:

The changing village is for competitors only, non-competitors are not permitted in the changing area and will be asked to leave. Competitors are politely asked not to change poolside and use the facilities available. Cameras and phones are **strictly prohibited** in the changing area.

Health and Safety:

We hope you enjoy the competition, here are some tips to ensure you have a fun and safe experience.

Event days are long and can be tiring, please drink plenty of water, eat Page 9 of 11



sensibly and rest, when possible, to ensure you are fit and ready for the sessions.

If you feel unwell at any stage, please seek medical support from the facility staff.

When using the pool stairs please ensure you hold the rail, the steps can become wet and slippery during the competition.

If you see something that could cause an accident, please alert the facility staff or an event team member immediately so that it can be dealt with.

The lift is for individuals who have difficulties using stairs; please ensure the lift is used appropriately and safely. Children are not permitted to use the lift unaccompanied.

Social Media:

Swim Wales would like to share your experience with us on social media, tweet and tag us in your photos and results using #SWSM25 @SwimWales

Photos may be used in Swim Wales communications including newsletters, website and social media. By attending Swim Wales Meets, individuals are agreeing to adhere to the Swim Wales Media policy. This ensures that the use of social media whilst attending the meet is appropriate and safe. Clubs are responsible for the behaviour of their member, competitors and supporters. Inappropriate behaviour will be dealt with accordingly.

Behaviour and Attitude:

Swim Wales has a zero-tolerance policy on negative behaviour at meets. Disrespectful and poor attitude resulting in unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated. All those on-site including competitors, parents, coaches and clubs are expected to behaviour in an appropriate manner, respectful of officials, volunteers, staff and others. Swim Wales holds the right to ask those behaving inappropriately to leave the event and/or meet if deemed necessary. Refunds will not be issued for dismissal from an event. The right to remove competitors and/or clubs from the meet is held by the meet manager and senior team of officials. We ask all to adhere to the above and remain vigilant throughout the meet. Please report any inappropriate behaviour to a member of staff on site.

Jewellery:

For safety and security reasons, the wearing of jewellery is not permitted while in the water during warm-ups / swim-downs and / or competition. This includes watches, necklaces, chains, bangles, wrist bands, earrings (except studs), and rings (except wedding bands).



Swim Wales will not be responsible for any jewellery brought to events and will not be liable if such jewellery is lost or damaged.

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