



ESSEX AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022

EVENT CONDITIONS

Event	ESSEX AGEGROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022
Date	22nd/23rd Jan 28/29/30 Jan 25/26/27 Feb (Reserve dates 5/6 Feb)
Venue	Basildon Sporting Village, Cranes Farm Road, Basildon, Essex SS14 3GR London Aquatic Centre, Olympic Park, London E20 2ZQ
Pool	50m 10 LANE POOL AT LAC 50M 8 LANE POOL AT BSV (If the pool at BSV is facing technical difficulties all events At BSV will be swum Short Course)
Level	1 (Level 2 if SC) (Distance events Level 3 if SC)
Age Groups	10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17+
Age On Day	31ST DECEMBER 2022
Awards	Top 8 Swimmers BSV /Top 10 swimmers LAC
Events	All 50, s, 100'S, 200'S, 400'S, 1500 AND 800
Race Entry Fee	£6.50 per event
Spectators	Spectator tickets can ONLY be booked online Tickets for Basildon are Per session – reserved seating Tickets for LAC are for the day- unreserved seating ALL TICKETS GO ON SALE 3RD JANUARY 7.30PM
Club Entry Files or Individual	ONLINE ONLY VISIT www.essexswimming.org
Paperwork Returned to	ONLINE ONLY VISIT www.essexswimming.org
All Enquiries to	essexswimming@bopenworld.com
Closing Date Meet Manager	31st December 2021 7.30pm Lyndsey Motin



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INFORMATION & CONDITIONS

- 1 The event will be held under Swim England laws and regulations, Swim England Technical rules of racing and to the Swim England Meet Licensing Criteria.
- 2 Age for Championship events is as at 31st December 2022
- 3 The closing date for the Age Group Championships 2022 is 7.30pm 31st December 2021

4 AGE GROUPS

Agegroups are: 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17+

10/11yr olds 50's, 100's, 200's 400 f/s

WITH FINALS FOR ALL 50'S AND 100'S

Ages 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17+

ALL EVENTS WITH FINALS FOR ALL 50'S AND 100'S

5 ENTRY FEES

ALL Entry Fees for individual entries online must be paid by 31st December 2021– any unpaid entries after this date will be void

Entry fees will be £6.50 per event



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6 ENTRIES

All entries **MUST** be submitted **ONLINE ONLY**

IMPORTANT

ALL entries are to be submitted online and paid for at the time of entry

A PAYPAL ACCOUNT WILL BE NEEDED TO PAY FOR ENTRIES

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA THE ESSEX SWIMMING WEBSITE

www.essexswimming.org

BY 7.30pm on 31st December 2021

Entries will be verified straight away – these verified entries are your ACCEPTED Entries

ALL swimmers inside the QT will be accepted except for:

The 1500/800 which may be restricted –at least the fastest 5 in each age group will be accepted

The 10/11yr old age group 400m events may be restricted to the fastest 16 swimmers

We reserve the right to restrict entries outside of the 'original' QT where necessary to ensure the smooth and safe running of an event

On 3rd January 2022 accepted entries will be posted on the Essex Website along with warm up information

And the Spectator tickets will go on public sale

Corrections cannot be made after Midnight 20th December 2021

Once entered entries cannot be updated or changed in anyway

ABSOLUTLY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE

Entry times cannot be updated or altered once submitted

ALL entries **MUST** be on the ASA Rankings at the time of submission

ALL Entry times must have been gained at Licensed Meets level 1,2,3, & 4 Meets

Between 20th December 2019 – 20th December 2021

All entry times are **SHORT COURSE**



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(Converted LC times are permitted, and the Sportsystem Entry Manager Software will automatically convert the time- taking the fastest possible entry time for the swimmer)

7 COACH PASSES

Coach & Team Manager Passes are £10 each and cover the whole competition on a ratio of 1:15 – Up to a maximum of 5 passes in total

A cold lunch pack will be provided for all days with more than 1 session and Tea and Coffee will be freely available during sessions in the Meeting rooms – The meeting rooms cannot be accessed by Coaches during the Officials lunch Breaks

Coach Passes must be applied for at the time of submitting your entries online using the Swim England accreditation service. Passes **MUST** be shown to gain entry to poolside at any venue and **MUST** be worn at all times on poolside.

Coach Passes/Team Manager passes are **ONLY** available in advance and **ALL** applications must be received by 10th January 2022

Food tickets will be given out at **ALL** dates where there are 2 sessions, and these **MUST** be presented for a lunch bag to be issued.

Lunch bags must be collected from the results desks both at LAC and BSV

8 VOLUNTEERS

ALL clubs with 15 swimmers or more in each session are 'Expected' to provide 'at least' 1 volunteer for that session

Volunteers **MUST** be included in the relevant section of your Coach Pass/ Team Manager form – Forms will not be accepted without this section being completed

ALL volunteers will require a DBS number which must be provided on the form

Volunteers will be provided with:

A food ticket (Where 2 consecutive sessions are volunteered for)

A T-shirt – To be worn during volunteering times only

A Drinks bottle



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EVENT INFORMATION

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ALL events are LONG Course (If the pool at BSV has a fault the events will be run Short Course)

All top 8 swimmers shall be eligible to swim in a final regardless of time

(Top 10 swimmers for all Events held at LAC)

There will be 2 reserves per final- these will be published along with the results- These swimmers will then have 10 minutes to withdraw from the final

If a swimmer wishes to withdraw from a final, they must do so within 10 minutes of the results for that event being published after this time a £10 penalty will occur

If a swimmer 'pulls out' of ANY events **FOR ANY REASON** having NOT been withdrawn from the event prior to the warmup they will NOT be permitted to swim in any other events in that SESSION – This will include any finals, they may have qualified for

200m, 400m, 1500m and 800m events will be seeded slow to fast with all heats spearheaded

50m & 100m events – last 3 heats to be cyclically seeded and all heats spearheaded

A Secondary Strobe will be in operation throughout the event

10 WITHDRAWALS / SIGNING IN

THERE WILL BE NO SIGNING IN AT THIS YEAR'S CHAMPIOSHIPS

If a Coach wishes to withdraw a swimmer from an event, they MUST fill in the withdrawal form ONLY and take it to the results Desk before the start of the 1st Warm Up for each session - There is no other method of withdrawal - Withdrawals CANNOT be emailed

Failure to swim when a swimmer has not been withdrawn using the appropriate form shall result in a fine of £10 per swimmer per event,

This fine **must be paid BEFORE the next session of the Championships OR the next Essex Competition if during the last session.** In the event of a competitor not paying the fine, the Club in whose name the competitor has entered the Championships shall be responsible for payment. **THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED** and will also include swimmers not swimming in 'finals' they have qualified for and not withdrawing within the 10-minute window

All proceeds from fines shall be donated to a charity nominated by the Executive Committee prior to the start of the Championships

Withdrawals will close at the **START** of the 1st Warm Up for each session



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11 MARSHALLING

Please note that all swimmers must report to the 'Marshalling area' before their event, and it is the responsibility of the coaches to make sure they do so – The location of the marshalling areas will be provided at the start of each day

12 REGISTRATION

Swimmers must be registered with the competing ESSEX Club and Swim England as at the closing date of 31st December 2021 and ALL swimmers must be registered CAT 2 swimmers with Swim England

Swimmers who are registered with more than one Club are reminded that they are only permitted to swim in ONE County championships per swimming season and represent ONE club throughout

14 AWARDS/POINTS

The individual Top Boy/Girl Awards for ALL Swimmers will be calculated as 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 points for 1st to 8th place respectively (top 10 places for 50m events) – awards will be made to the 1st place Boy & Girl swimmer in each age group 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, and 17yrs /Over

For the purpose of calculating Club points, for ALL swimmers the following will apply

1st=8points, 2nd=7points, 3rd=6points, 4th=5points, 5th=4points, 6th=3points, 7th=2points and 8th=1 pont

For all events held at LAC the top 10 swimmers in each event will attract points

15 Medals/Awards

Medals – ALL Venues

Medals will be presented to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed swimmers in each event for each Age Group 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17/Over

Runners Up Awards -Basildon Sporting Village

Runners Up award will be presented to the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th swimmers in each event for each Age Group 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17/Over -



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Runners Up Awards- London Aquatic Centre

Runners Up award will be presented to the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th swimmers in each event for each Age Group 10/11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17/Over

Medals/awards for HDW events will be presented BEFORE the finals for each session
ALL swimmers must be present at the time of presentation to receive their award/medal

16 SPECTATORS

*****NEW*****

Spectator tickets will be available ONLINE only via www.essexswimming.org from

3rd JANUARY 2022 7.30PM – For ALL sessions

THE SPECTATOR GALLERY AT BASILDON WILL BE CLEARED BETWEEN EACH SESSION

At the time of booking your ticket online you will be asked for your swimmer's name for ALL events at Basildon Sporting Village – This is because you will be able to purchase a maximum of 2 tickets per swimmer per session-

You will need to save your ticket to your phone or print your ticket at home- Your ticket will be scanned at the venue – When your ticket is scanned your swimmers name is automatically checked against the database of swimmers swimming in that session – tickets will only scan once

A hand stamp will be issued, and a ticket attendant will then direct you to the seat numbers issued on your ticket- **ALL SPECTATOR TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

ALL TICKET PURCHASES WILL INCLUDE A FULL WEEKEND PROGRAMME – THIS WILL BE EMAILED TO YOU AT LEAST 24HRS BEFORE THE EVENT

Programmes will not be available to purchase at the event

TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR

Swimmers will not be permitted on the balcony without an entrance ticket at any venue

So as to comply with fire regulations - Absolutely no 'fold up chairs'/Deck chairs or additional seats of any kind (with the exception of wheelchairs) will be permitted either on poolside **or in the spectators Gallery-** at EITHER venue

Blue Badge holders will need to purchase a ticket online for Basildon Village events in the usual way and then email essexswimming@btopenworld.com to swap the tickets for a disabled seat- a copy of the blue badge will be required

Seats will not be reserved at London Aquatic Centre BUT must still be purchased in advance online



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ECASA reserve the right to put any restrictions on the number of spectators that they deem necessary for the smooth running of the event-

A numbered ticket system and allocated seating will be in operation at all events held at Basildon Sporting Village (excluding 1500 and 800 events)

Swim England Essex reserve the right to put in place any 'Covid' safety measures that may be necessary at the time – this could include Covid Passes, Lateral flow tests, the wearing of masks and spectator restrictions ALL spectators MUST follow our Covid procedures

17 REFUNDS

Refunds will be issued in the case of a Positive Covid test **ONLY** – evidence of a positive test will be required Absolutely no other refunds will be available ALL spectator tickets are non refundable

18 TIME TRIALS

The ECASA has determined that Time Trials shall not take place at any Championship event.

19 OFFICIALS

Food and will be provided where an Official is covering more than 1 session in a day

20 MEDICAL CONDITIONS

ALL Medical Conditions that could affect your swimmer during these championships must be reported to the organiser using the appropriate form and signed by a GP– available on the Essex Swimming website

A chaperone pass can be applied for and will be supplied upon completion of the Medical Declaration form ONLY

A chaperone pass can also be applied for in the case of all Parra Swimmers

Chaperone passes will not be supplied for any other reasons

21 MOBILE PHONES & OTHER IMAGE CAPTURING DEVICES

Mobile Phones and other image capturing Devices are not permitted 'out' on poolside or in the Changing areas at ANY venue

If a swimmer is caught with their phone or image capturing device 'out' whilst in the changing village at ANY venue this will result in instant removal from the competition



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During Presentations ONLY 1 nominated person from each club will be permitted to take photos in the 'nominated photography area ONLY'- This person will be supplied with a High Vis Jacket and must report to the organisers beforehand

22 BAGS

Large swimming bags are not permitted on poolside at any venue and will be removed from poolside if found

There will be staff on the entrance to poolside at both venues – ALL bags must be a small drawstring bag

There will be nominated bag 'drop off' points at both venues where a locker is unavailable

23 PRESENTATIONS

At the end of the Heats for each session there will be presentations for the HDW events

Presentations for the winners of Finals will take place at the end of each session

ALL swimmers taking part in presentations MUST report to the Presentation marshalling areas which will be in the same place as the heat marshalling area- **SWIMMERS MUST REPORT TO THESE AREAS BEFORE COLLECTING THEIR AWARD TO GET TICKED OFF THE LIST**

A Coach / Team Manager MUST accompany swimmers to the Presentation Marshalling areas

At the end of the last Session there will be a presentation Ceremony in the order below for:

Top Club 2020

Top Junior Swimmer 10/14 (Calculated by the most points)

Top Senior Swimmer 15/Over (Calculated by most Points)

Top Boy swimmer 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17yrs/over

Top Girl Swimmer 10/11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17yrs/over

Top 'Senior' Relay Club -15/Over

Top 13/14 Relay Club

Top 'Junior' Relay Club (9/10 & 11/12) – This Trophy will be presented at LAC

Mike Higgs Memorial Trophy – Fastest 800m swimmer

These will be followed by presentations for the finals in the last Session

24 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Glass containers of any kind or hot beverages are NOT permitted on poolside.

The changing village/poolside is out of bounds to non-competing swimmers and spectators.

Mobile Phones are NOT permitted to be 'out' on poolside OR in the Changing facilities at London Aquatic Centre and Basildon Sporting Village FOR ANY REASON

Any Medical Conditions MUST be reported to the Meet Organiser



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Once swimmers leave poolside at ANY venue ALL swimmers aged 12 and under must be ALWAYS accompanied by a parent/guardian- Any unaccompanied 12 and under swimmers will be returned to poolside

SWIM ENGLAND ESSEX RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ENFORCE ANY COVID POLICIES THAT MAYBE NECESSARY AT THE TIME OF THESE EVENTS – THIS COULD INCLUDE

MASK WEARING

COVID PASSES

LATERAL FLOW TESTING

RESTRICTION OF SWIMMERS ON POOLSIDE

RESTRICTION ON NUMBER OF SPECTATORS

The Data Protection Act 2018 requires us to provide you with certain information and to obtain your consent before processing data about you. Processing includes obtaining, recording, holding, disclosing, destruction or retaining information. We require certain personal data for the purposes of making entries to the competition, managing the meet and the submission of results to Rankings. The information provided by you will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Consent to process such personal data is deemed to have been given by the submission of the entry. Where the personal data of competitors, officials and coaches/team managers has been passed to us by a third party such as a club rather than by the individuals themselves, we rely on the third party to ensure that consent has been obtained.

By entering this competition swimmers are agreeing to all rules and conditions

The Promoters throughout this competition will be Lyndsey Motin and Phill Nice

Any matter not covered by these conditions will be determined by the Promoters and Referee, subject to Swim England Laws



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2022 Swim England Essex Age Group Championships

Distance Freestyle Events – Special Arrangements

Swim England Essex has a proud tradition of distance freestyle swimming. Essex swimmers who have gone on to achieve Olympic selection have, for the most part, done so in distance freestyle or other endurance events. The obvious exception is Mark Foster – but he was Southern Counties 1500m champion as a child!

It is quite clear that the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted the ability of clubs nationally to prepare athletes for distance events and indeed to stage time trial opportunities within limited club training time. The county therefore considers itself to have a role in developing this area of the sport by removing any barriers to participation that may have been generated by the pandemic.

The county has reflected on ways in which it can facilitate participation in these events, as it is minded that athletes may need to post a time at county level competition to access the regional and national summer meet pathway. The 800m (Male) and 1500m (Female) Freestyle are included in the competition programme at regional, English and British level. They also feature in all junior and senior international championships, including the Olympic Games.

A summary of the changes is as follows:

- The 800m Freestyle for men and 1500m Freestyle for women will be introduced as full age group championship events, for all age group categories except the 10/11 age group. This is in line with British Swimming's Competition Pathway document.
- To facilitate this, the 800m Freestyle for men will be added to Session 7 and the women's 1500m Freestyle will be added to Session 14. In Session 7, the men will swim their event first, as they are scheduled to swim the following morning. For the same reason, the women's 1500m Freestyle event will be scheduled first in Session 14.
- The way in which athletes qualify for the 800m/1500m has been modified to facilitate greater participation and athlete development in both events for both genders. Athletes may now find that they are eligible to enter both events, having previously qualified for neither.

In line with the principles of the Long-Term Athlete Development Plan, athletes who are now able to enter the events should only do so if their coaches consider them to be suitably prepared to do so.

Men's 800m Freestyle (plus additional 1500m racing opportunities)

1. Athletes who have entered the 1500m Freestyle at the 2022 Age Group Championships shall automatically become eligible to enter the 800m Freestyle. If these athletes have a time in rankings within the qualifying period for the championships, they will be seeded using this time. If they have no time, their 1500m time will be used to seed them and they will most likely swim in the first heat.
2. Athletes may also enter if they have achieved one of the qualifying times below in the published qualifying window for the championships.
3. Athletes who achieve the qualifying time for the 800m Freestyle below, shall also be eligible to enter the 1500m Freestyle if they have not already done so. If they have no 1500m time on rankings, twelve minutes will be added to their 800m time and this will become their seeded time.
4. The Promoter has the discretion to add additional swimmers, over and above the criteria above, on a case-by-case basis, subject to their being space, for the purposes of swimming development.



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12	13	14	15	16/over
11:00.00	10:20.00	10:05.00	9:40.00	9:20.00

Women's 1500m Freestyle (plus additional 800m racing opportunities)

1. Athletes who have entered the 800m Freestyle at the 2022 Age Group Championships shall automatically become eligible to enter the 1500m Freestyle. If these athletes have a time in rankings within the qualifying period for the championships, they will be seeded using this time. If they have no time, twelve minutes will be added to their 800m time and this will be their seeded entry time.
2. Athletes may also enter if they have achieved one of the qualifying times below in the published qualifying window for the championships.
3. Athletes who have achieved the qualifying time for the 1500m Freestyle below, shall also be eligible to enter the 800m Freestyle if they have not already done so. If these athletes have a time in rankings within the qualifying period for these championships, they will be seeded using this time. If they have no time, their 1500m time will be used to seed them and they will most likely swim in the first heat.
4. The Promoter has the discretion to add additional swimmers, over and above the criteria above, on a case-by-case basis, subject to their being space, for the purposes of swimming development.

12	13	14	15	16/over
21:25.00	20:14.00	19:14.00	18:30.00	18:15.00

How to Enter

- Athletes meeting any of the criteria above should enter via email (essexswimming@btopenworld.com) stating their name, date of birth, Swim England membership number, the events they wish to enter and their entry times.
- Following receipt of entries, an invoice will be generated and sent to the entrant or their representative.
- The closing date for these entries is midnight on 31st December 2021.
- The qualifying period for the championships is 20th December 2019-20th December 2021.



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Para-Swimming Championships Conditions

Please note:

- These supplementary conditions are to be adhered to together with the general conditions for The Essex AgeGroup Championships 2022

1. The Events:

Event	Classifications
50m Freestyle	S1 – S14
100m Freestyle	S1 – S14
200m Freestyle	S1 – S5 + S14
50m Butterfly	S1 – S7
100m Butterfly	S8 – S14
50m Backstroke	S1 – S5
100m Backstroke	S1 – S14
50m Breaststroke	SB1 – SB3
100m Breaststroke	SB4 – SB14
200m IM	SM5 – SM14

2. Eligibility

The above events in the Championships are open to competitors whose ASA Membership Record includes the relevant IPC Para-Swimming Sport Class, as shown above and who meet the Qualifying Entry times

3. Support staff

A Competitor may have 1 support staff in attendance- This must be applied for and all applicants must hold a current DBS

4. Medals

Medals shall be awarded on a multi-class timed final basis, to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed competitors, based on the British Para-Swimming Points System.

ENTRY PROCEDURE FOR PARA SWIMMERS

1. A covering email must then be sent to the Meet Manager In your email you **MUST** include the swimmers Swim England number and time for each event-
2. Failure to follow this entry procedure will mean that the entry will be declined
3. Late entries will not be accepted