



WELSH SUMMER NATIONALS (WSN)

SELECTION, LOGISTICS & CONDUCT POLICY

Ages for WSN are Age at 31st of December in the year of competition. Age groups for English registered members include 12, 13, 14, 15/16 and 17+ years of age.

1. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

- 1.1 Only those swimmers who are registered members of the City of Leeds Swimming Club will be offered the opportunity to attend the WSN as part of the City of Leeds Swimming Team.
- 1.2 A request for expression of interest will be communicated by the club in advance of the meet. Swimmers must confirm their interest in attending the WSN, in writing, by the date set by the club administrator.
- 1.3 Communication received after the closing date for 'expression of interest' will not be considered if, the number of people expressing interest before the closing date is greater than the number of spaces available on the team.
- 1.4 Where the number of people who have expressed interest is greater than the number of spaces available on the team, the following Selection criteria will be used.

2. SELECTION

- 2.1 In the event that all the places available at the WSN event are not full, all members expressing interest in attending can be given a place subject to, conduct in the period leading into the championship event, and a suitable number of events inside the WSN qualifying times.
- 2.2 As outlined in 1.3 or 1.4 if the team roster is oversubscribed, those swimmers with the most WSN qualifying times will be given priority selection. Where 2 or more swimmers have the same number of events, priority will be given to the swimmer(s) who has the highest combined total number of FINA points from their qualifying events.
- 2.3 Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury at any time between selection and the day of the competition must notify the WSN Head Coach immediately. Any swimmer judged to be unfit by the WSN Head Coach may be de-selected in the interest of the team and individual.

- 2.4 All selected team members for WSN will be required to sign and comply with the club's Code of Conduct.

3. COST

- 3.1. The Swimmer/Parent will front the cost of the Athlete to, from and during the event. City of Leeds Swimming Club reserves the right to contribute subsidy to athletes based on the cost of the event and the financial circumstances of the club at that point in time. Any subsidy will be agreed by the Committee and is final.
- 3.2 The final cost of logistics and accommodation will be communicated by the Club shortly after the 'Expression of Interest' closing date; it will also identify the cost of any deposits required and the date by which the deposit and full payment must be made to the club.
- 3.3 The Swimmer/Parent will pay for all individual events entered. The Club will front the cost of any Team events entered at the meet.

4. COACHES/TEAM MANAGERS

- 4.1 The Coaches for the WSN will be selected by the Head Coach or in their absence, the Senior Age Group Coach. Selected Coaches must assist the Team Managers in supervising the Athletes outside of the competition environment.
- 4.2 Team Managers will be selected by the Club. Selected Team Managers must make themselves available to travel to and from the meet as part of the team and stay overnight with the team for the duration of the competition.

5. TRANSPORT

- 5.1 Transport to and from the venue will be identified and provided by the City of Leeds Swimming Club. The preferred company will supply seatbelts and all selected swimmers will be required to wear their seatbelt for the duration of the journey.
- 5.2 All selected swimmers must make themselves available to travel to and from the meet as part of the team, and wear City of Leeds Swimming Club Team Kit to and from the event.
- 5.3 It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to punctually deliver and collect their swimmer from the pick-up point on from and to Leeds. If you are unable to do this, please make alternative arrangements in advance.

6. WELSH SUMMER NATIONALS (GENERAL)

- 6.1 Swimmers **MUST** wear City of Leeds Swimming Club team kit including t-shirts, tracksuits/shorts (or tracksuits and shorts in club colours if swimmers do not have club kit) and club swim caps when racing. Sweatshirts and clothing from events including counties, regionals and nationals should not be worn.
- 6.2 Appropriate footwear should be worn at ALL times on poolside when not racing.
- 6.3 Swimmers are also expected to remain with the team for the duration of the event. ALL swimmers will attend the finals sessions wearing City of Leeds Team Kit unless there are no City of Leeds swimmers represented in Finals.
- 6.4 Selected swimmers must swim in all of the events they entered before the meet. A swimmer will ONLY be withdrawn from an event if they are unfit to swim due to injury or illness. If withdrawn due to injury or illness, then the swimmer WILL be withdrawn from the remainder of their events that day. Depending on the severity of the illness or injury the swimmer may be considered to be withdrawn from all remaining event.
- 6.5 The WSN Head Coach and Lead Team Manager will decide on an immediate appropriate course of action in the welfare of the swimmer and the interests of the team.
- 6.6 Whilst ill, or if the injury is severe enough, the swimmer will remain at the hotel/accommodation in the care of a Team Manager.
- 6.7 The WSN Head Coach and Lead Team Manager will make a joint decision to contact the swimmer's parent/guardian if they are no longer able to compete due to illness or injury. It will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian to collect their swimmer from the event.
- 6.8 All selected swimmers will be required to complete an up-to-date Medical Form before they depart for the event. Failure to do so will forfeit their place in the team. Team staff will not be held responsible for the occurrence of any conditions or allergies that they have not been made aware of.
- 6.9 A selected swimmer's medication must be handed to a Team Manager before leaving for the event. It should clearly state the dosage and frequency required. The Team Managers will ensure they report to the swimmer with their required dosage at the required times. It is the responsibility of the swimmer to administer the medication.
- 6.10 Selected swimmers are entitled to bring 'spending' money, however, spending money can be given to an allocated Team Manager who will release funds as per parent's instruction. This should be given to Team Staff before departing for the event.
- 6.11 On an evening each swimmer MUST be in their own rooms by the time allocated by the Lead Team Manager. Lights MUST be turned off by the time allocated by the Lead Team Manager.
- 6.12 In matters relating to logistics and accommodation, the Lead Team Manager's decision is final.