

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASA COMBINED CHAMPIONSHIP
& BAGCAT AGE GROUPS 2008
CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

1. The County Championships shall be competed for annually and subject to any standard the promoter may impose. The Championships shall be open to any member of a club affiliated to Notts ASA who is eligible within these promoters' conditions and the meaning of ASA law.
2. The promoter is the Nottinghamshire ASA
3. Entry to the championships shall be via the clubs gala coordinator, The club shall be responsible for:
 - a. Distribution and collection of the entry forms
 - b. Checking and validating the data on the forms
 - c. Consolidating the entry data into a computer program supplied
 - d. Returning the completed electronic entry files, entry forms and payment to the Championship administrator
4. Entry Processing:
 - a. Late entries, incomplete or incorrectly completed entry forms will not be accepted.
 - b. The submitted times will not be changed unless an administrative error has been made by the Notts ASA.
 - c. 'On the day' swims for a time only are not allowed
 - d. Refund of entry fees will be made for rejected entries or where the entry to an event has had to be restricted. For any other reason refund of entry fees will only be made up until the closing date for entries.
5. A Swimmer taking part shall:
 - a. be a registered member of a club affiliated to Notts ASA for at least three months prior to the closing date for entries.
 - b. reside with in the County or have the longest unbroken membership of a club affiliated to Notts ASA.
 - c. not have represented, or competed in the County competitions, of any other County during the same year.
6. A swimmer may enter the individual events under the name of any Notts ASA club of which they are a member, provided that Rule 5 is complied with. At the closing date for the Championships, the club name stated on the entry form shall be the club under which the swimmer competes.
7. Team races:
 - a. ASA law relating to first claim applies
 - b. no swimmer may swim as a member of a team, having entered the individual events as a member of another club.
 - c. all team members must have been a member of the club that they represent for at least three months prior to the closing date for entries.

8. Entry Cards:
 - a. Entry cards must be posted personally not later than 45 minutes prior to the start of each gala session. Late cards will only be accepted if the event has not been processed, if the event has been processed then a swim will only be allowed if there is a spare lane in the early heats. NO SPARE LANE MEANS NO SWIM.
 - b. For Team Events the team member's names must be written on the back of the entry card before it is released by the competitor's stewards to the team manager.
 - c. Cards must only be posted if there is clear intention to swim the event. Swimmers must not withdraw from heats after posting cards, without sound medical reasons.
 - d. Swimmers who withdraw from finals must notify the recorders as soon as possible but no later than 15 minutes after the finalists are announced.
 - e. Failure to comply with conditions 8c & 8d, unless there are sound medical reasons, shall result in a fine of £10 which must be paid before the swimmer competes again in the championships. In the event of a swimmer not paying the fine, the club in whose name the swimmer has entered the competition shall be responsible for the payment.
9. The competition
 - a. Each event decides both the County Championship and the Age Group placings. For the 50m & 100m events, the declared times of the heats decide the Age Group placings and the fastest six swimmers overall swim a final, which decides the Open Championship. The results of the 200m and longer events are decided on declared times only.
 - b. Entries times submitted must be within the published qualifying standards, and have been achieved in competition or officially recorded club time trials since the 1st January in the previous year. Times are based on a 25m pool, where necessary times should be converted using the ASA Equivalent Performance Tables.
 - c. Submitted times for teams entries should be calculated using the individual times achieved by the anticipated members of the team.
 - d. The Junior (Under 16yrs) Champion is determined by the fastest time in the event, whether it is in the heat or the final.
 - e. Entries that are outside the qualifying standard will be rejected and the promoter reserves the right to restrict entries if events are over subscribed.
 - f. Protests shall be made and dealt with as detailed in ASA law.
 - g. Swimmers who are to receive awards must attend presentation or their awards will be forfeited.
10. Any matter arising, for which these conditions do not provide, shall be determined by the promoter.

