

## National Championships for Primary Schools - 2010

Regulations (Effective from October 2006) Under ASA Law and technical rules

The Primary School Team Relay Championships of England shall take place annually under the ASA Laws and the following conditions:

### 1. Eligibility

(a) Only schools which are in affiliation with the English Schools' Swimming Association are eligible to compete.

(b) Competitors must be on the roll of the School entering the Championship and in full-time attendance there on the closing date for Divisional entries.

### 2. Transfers

Pupils transferred from one school to another, will only be eligible to swim for the school for which they were first entered.

### 3. Age

Competitors must be aged 9 years and under 11 years as at midnight August 31<sup>st</sup> / September 1<sup>st</sup>, at the commencement of the academic year of the Championships.

### 4. Control

(a) The sole control and management of the Championships will be in the hands of the Council.

(b) Arrangements for all stages of the Championships up to and including Divisional Rounds will be in the hands of the Divisions. They will fix the closing dates and approve the officials.

(c) In the Divisional Rounds and the Divisional Finals, schools will have at least two weeks' notice of the date, time and venue.

### 5. Entries

(a) Entries are made through Divisions. Divisions may select up to two teams, from their Division, to compete in each of the freestyle, mixed stroke or the small schools relay events.

(b) Schools may enter:

i) one freestyle team of four boys;

ii) one freestyle team of four girls;

iii) one mixed stroke team of four boys (stroke order: Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly or Breaststroke and Freestyle); with Freestyle being defined as any stroke other than Backstroke, Breaststroke or Butterfly;

iv) one mixed stroke team of four girls (stroke order: Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly or Breaststroke, and Freestyle); with Freestyle being defined as any stroke other than Backstroke, Breaststroke or Butterfly;

OR

v) Small Schools freestyle team of 4 boys, or 4 girls, or combination of both; none of whom are competing in i) ii),iii) or iv) above;

vi) Small Schools mixed stroke team of 4 boys, or girls, or any combination of both; none of whom are competing in i), ii), iii) or iv) above. The mixed stroke relay will be swum as Backstroke, Breaststroke, Freestyle (any stroke), and Front crawl .

vii) Competitors may swim in both freestyle and mixed stroke relays.

For the purpose of these Championships small schools are defined as being those which have no more than a combined total of 50 in curriculum years 5 and 6.

(C) Entries shall close on a date set by the Division and shall be made on the official entry form, which will be obtained from and returned to the representative of the Division in which the School is situated. All entry forms must be countersigned by the Head Teacher .

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### **6. Team Lists**

(a) Before the commencement of each round a signed statement, showing the names with dates of birth of swimmers, and certifying conformity with the conditions, will be handed to the Organizer by a representative of the school.

(b) Substitution of reserves is permitted between each round of the Championships but the names and dates of birth must be included in the signed statement in 6(a) above.

### **7. Pool Length**

25mtr pools will be used at all stages of the Championship.

Each member of the team will swim one length.

### **8. Awards**

(a) The Schools attended by the teams placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Championship will be awarded a commemorative plaque to be held permanently, and each member of these teams will be awarded a championship medal.

(b) Challenge trophies will be awarded to the winning schools in each event.

(c) All schools participating in 'A' Final, or winning the 'B' final will receive a National Finalist Certificate.

(d) All schools represented in the National Finals will receive commemorative certificates.

(e) The members of all teams competing in the National Finals will receive a certificate of participation.

(f) Council may issue awards at other levels of the Championships, at its discretion.

### **9. Expenses**

Each team shall be responsible for its own expenses.

### **10. Responsibility**

A qualified school teacher, or suitable adult as approved by the Head of the School, must accompany each team at all stages of the competition.