

PROMOTERS CONDITIONS

Reading Swimming Club



Reading Easter Open 2010: Skins Events

1. These 'Skins Events' will be a continuous competition commencing with 6 competitors and over a continuous series of races over a distance of 50m. One or more competitors to be eliminated in each round until a winner is determined. Races in each competition will take place following an interval of 3 minutes from the start of the previous race a warning signal being given 10 seconds prior to the start of each round.
2. The Events shall take place at Central Pool, Reading during the "Finals" session.
3. Skins competitions will be held for:
 - a. Girls (Open Age Group) – Freestyle on 3rd April 2010
 - b. Boys (Open Age Group) - Freestyle on 3rd April 2010
 - c. Girls (Open Age Group) – All Strokes on 4th April 2010
 - d. Boys (Open Age Group) – All Strokes on 4th April 2010

Events (a) and (b) will swim concurrently, with a separation of 90 seconds between the starts of the boys and girls races. The Girl's competition starts first. Events (c) and (d) will follow a similar format.

4. The Prize for each event will be £100 winner-takes-all.
5. The competitors for each Event shall be the fastest six swimmers from the published results from the qualifying events. The qualifying events shall be; 50m Freestyle competed during the 'Reading Easter Meet' held on 2nd April 2010, and the 200m Individual Medley competed during the 'Reading Easter Meet 2009' held on the 3rd April 2010. Should a qualifying swimmer not wish to compete then the next fastest will be invited to compete.
6. Lanes will be allocated on the basis of 'spearheading' in accordance with FINA swimming rule SW312 – the swimmer with the fastest qualifying time occupying the centre lane. Swimmers are required to swim in their allocated lane whilst they remain in the competition until the final race. The remaining two swimmers will occupy the centre lanes – the right most swimmer occupying Lane 3 the second swimmer in Lane 4.
7. The stroke for the initial medley race will by random draw from a choice of Freestyle, Breaststroke, Butterfly and Backstroke. Draws for subsequent rounds will be from the remaining strokes, until all have been swum. The final round will again be a random draw from a choice of all four strokes. Separate draws will be made for the Male and Female events.
8. The first race in each Event will commence in accordance with ASA Swimming Rules governing the Start of the selected stroke. Each race shall be over a distance of 50m.
9. Subsequent rounds will start at the starting end of the pool, following an interval of 3 minutes from the previous Start. A warning whistle will be blown 10 seconds prior to the Starting signal being sounded. No verbal commands will be given. Competitors' feet, or hands in the case of Backstroke must be in contact with the Starting Platform or Grips when the Start Signal is given. A swimmer who starts before the starting signal will be eliminated by disqualification. For Backstroke rounds competitors will start in the water with both hands holding the starting grips. For forward starts swimmers are required to have at least one foot at the front of the Starting Platform.
10. In all races swimmers are required to comply with the FINA Swimming Rules regarding Stroke and Finish conditions – failure to do so will lead to elimination by disqualification.
11. The slowest competitor in each round shall be eliminated – unless a competitor has been eliminated by disqualification, in which case the slowest competitor remains in the competition.
12. Apart from the first round, times achieved by swimmers are not to be used for any other purpose. Determination of the slowest swimmer will be by the Referee utilising either Automatic Officiating Equipment (AOE) or manual Finish Judges, in accordance with FINA Swimming Rules governing

placing. Should AOE be used the Referee shall determine whether it operated correctly.

13. In the case of more than one swimmer being disqualified, or a dead heat for the slowest swimmer all affected swimmers are eliminated. The next round will then be swum, but the slowest swimmer will not be eliminated in that round.
14. Should for any reason the competition have to be halted before its conclusion it shall restart with a re-swim of the round halted, or subsequent round if halted following the correct completion of a round. The Start of the recommencement of the competition will be in accordance with the FINA Swimming Rules of the relevant stroke.
15. In the case of a dead heat in the final race, it will be re-swum as an additional round in accordance with the Event conditions. Determination of the result following a subsequent dead heat maybe determined by any means agreed by the affected swimmers.

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