

## March Madness 2023

### Meet Conditions

1. This competition will be held under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules.
2. This meet is open to all members of a club affiliated to Swim England/Scottish Swimming or Swim Wales, or their own national association as appropriate. They must be eligible to compete and may enter in the name of one club only.
3. This meet will be run using the linked Sportsystem software. Converted short course times may be used. The Sportsystems entry file will be available to download from our website on the **5<sup>th</sup> of January 2023**.
4. Entries will be accepted on a **first come, first serve** basis. We reserve the right to limit entries to comply with license timing restrictions.
5. Late / poolside entries will not be accepted and once the entry file has been submitted, improved times will not be accepted.
6. Refunds will not be given for swimmers withdrawing after the closing date or for any errors or omissions attributable to the individual or their club. Refunds will only be given to individuals who can prove that they are unfit to compete on medical grounds subject to an appropriate medical certificate being received by the meet promoter.
7. Swimmers with disabilities will be accepted and all classes of swimmers will swim together in inclusive events.
8. The submission of entries indicates an acceptance of the meet conditions. Entries will not be accepted until the appropriate payment is received and the summary sheet provided in the pack has been completed and returned.
9. All team staff must be DBS checked and have undertaken a relevant safeguarding course (e.g., Swim England Safeguarding course) to gain a coaches / team managers pass, access to poolside and the swimmers seating area. Any parent of a swimmer attending without their club wishing to chaperone their child must also be DBS checked to gain a pass. Coaches and team staff **MUST** wear badges provided. City of Sheffield Swim Squad will **NOT** be responsible for any unaccompanied swimmers on poolside, the responsibility falls on the club entering the swimmer.
10. No outdoor shoes to be worn on the poolside. Footwear must be worn outside the pool area.
11. Over the top starts will be used at the promoter's discretion.
12. Withdrawals – Please notify withdrawals by email to: [marchmadnes1@gmail.com](mailto:marchmadnes1@gmail.com) or to the Omega Suite before 7.15am for the morning heats and before 12.30pm for the afternoon heats.
13. A draft programme, final programme and live results will be posted on our website: [cosss.co.uk](http://cosss.co.uk)

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14. **Officials** - In order to run a licensed meet a lot of help is required. We would be extremely grateful if your club has any licensed officials that would be prepared to help during the meet. If so, then please contact our officials' coordinator Mick Budd at [buddies1@btinternet.com](mailto:buddies1@btinternet.com)
15. It is the responsibility of swimmers to report to the stewarding area in sufficient time for each event. Neither City of Sheffield Swim Squad nor the promoter can be held responsible for any swimmer missing their heat.
16. If cancellation of the event is necessary, then the only claim will be the entry fees paid.
17. Entries and results will be managed via computer and available via the internet. By submitting entries, consent is thereby given, as required by the Data Protection Act 1998, to the holding of personal information on a computer. Personal data, including submitted and recorded times, will be available during the meet.
18. Please adhere to the venue's no photography policy.
19. A mobile strobe will be available throughout the competition, any competitor who needs to use it should notify the event referee prior to the start of the session.
20. The Promoter nor City of Sheffield Swim Squad will be responsible for any loss or damage occurring during this meet.
21. Any point not covered by these conditions will be at the discretion of the meet promoter. Depending upon the situation, the meet promoter or referee's decision respectively will be final.
22. When entering this event, you agree that we may collect and publish personal information as part of the entry to and results of the event. We may pass such information to the Governing Body or Affiliated organisations for the purpose of membership and qualification checking. Following that, your personal information will be used for publishing results either for the event alone or combined with or compared to other events (British Rankings). The published results may include (but not limited to) Name, Club Membership, Race Times, Age Category.