

REGIONAL MEETS

Region & Meet Contact	Venue/Date	Invited Counties
East Sharon Perry masters@eastswimming.org	Bury St Edmunds Leisure Centre, Beetons Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3TT 10 th Nov; 12.30pm warm up, 1.15pm start	Bedfordshire Cambridgeshire Essex Hertfordshire Norfolk Suffolk
South East Region Anthony Gimson anthonygimson@hotmail.com	The Pavilions in the Park, Hurst Road, Horsham RH12 2DF 10 th Nov, 12 midday Warm up	Berkshire and South Bucks Hampshire Oxfordshire and North Bucks Sussex Kent Surrey Middlesex
South West Sue Haigh suehaigh11@gmail.com	Millfield Swimming Pool, Keen's Elm Lane, Street BA16 0ST 10 th Nov; 12.30 warm up 1pm start	Cornwall Devon Dorset Gloucestershire Somerset Wiltshire
North East & West David Alexander yorkswim@ntlworld.com Jeroen Peters jeroenpeters@hotmail.com	Huddersfield Leisure Centre, Spring Grove Street, Huddersfield HD1 4BP 10 th Nov; 1pm warm up, 1.30pm	Northumberland and Durham Yorkshire Cheshire Cumbria Lancashire Derbyshire
East & West Mids Jean Childs childs234@btinternet.com David Strachan david.strachan6@sky.com	Queens diamond jubilee centre. Bruce Williams Way Rugby. CV22 5LJ 10 th Nov; Warm up 1pm, Start 1.30pm	Leicestershire Lincolnshire Northamptonshire Nottinghamshire Staffordshire Warwickshire Worcestershire Shropshire

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CONDITIONS

1. The Swim England Council reserves full powers over all Swim England Championships and Competitions.
2. The National Masters Inter-Counties Competition is managed by the Swim England Masters Working Group. Responsibility for the day-to-day running of the constituent meets is the responsibility of the Regional meet organisers. Any matter not dealt with in these conditions will be decided the Swim England Masters Working group
3. The Competition shall be a team event open to all English Counties and shall be swum under Swim England Laws and Swim England Technical Rules.
4. The Competition shall be held at regional meets hosted by the Swim England Regions in 25m pools with electronic timing. The Competition shall take place as far as practical on the 10th November.
5. The results from the regional meets will be consolidated into a National Result table on an event time basis.

Except for the two 75+ events (see below), first place in each event will score points equal to the total number of counties participating in the National Competition, second place one less, third place two less, etc. Disqualification, no swimmer, or no team shall score nil points. For the two 75+ events, first place in each event will score points equal to the number of counties participating in each race, second place one less, third place two less, etc. Tied places will score the average of the points for the tied positions.

6. The Events included in the Competition are as follows.
 - a. Individual (one representative per county) 50m backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, and freestyle for women and men in age groups 18 plus, 25 plus, 35 plus, 45 plus, 55 plus, 65 plus and 50m freestyle for age group 75 plus.
 - b. Relays (one team per county) 4 x 50m medley and freestyle for women and men for age groups 72 plus, 100 plus, 140 plus, 180 plus, and mixed (two women and two men) 4 x 50m medley and freestyle for age group 220 plus and 260 plus.
7. The programme shall be swum in an order of events approved and published by the Swim England Masters Working Group. The Event numbering will remain consistent across all Regional Meets.
8. All ages shall be calculated with effect from midnight on 31 December in the year of competition. All swimmers must be 18yrs or over on the day of swim.
9. Regional meets may include other events which do not count towards the national result.
10. Each County will receive an invitation to participate from the Swim England Masters Working group during August. Counties wishing to participate shall notify their regional meet organiser no later than 30th September. The County Team Manager should submit a provisional team sheet to the regional meet organiser one week prior to the meet. Amendments to the team sheet will be allowed on the day of the meet.

11. To be eligible to swim for a county team, each competitor shall (a) be a Category 1 or 2 Swim England member of a club affiliated to that county, and (b) not have represented any other county in any swimming discipline in the calendar year.

12. The Regional Meet should be conducted using a recognised results system which interfaces directly with the electronic timing system. A copy of the Regional Meet Results must be made available to all participating counties at the end of the meet. Any errors or omissions should be raised with the Regional Meet Organiser by a County Team Manager during or immediately after the running of the Regional meet.

13. The results of each regional meet including the **names and full dates of birth** of swimmers in individual events must be forwarded to the National Results Co-ordinator no later than midnight of the Monday following the final Regional meet by the Regional Meet Organisers. Any result not submitted with the full required information will be excluded from the National Result. Regional results must be submitted in electronic format. The National Results Co-ordinator will only accept amendments to the submitted Regional results from the Regional Meet Organisers until midnight of the following Wednesday.

14. The results of each regional meet will be consolidated into a National Result by the National Results Coordinator and then forwarded to the Swim England Masters Working group for final approval. The Swim England Masters Working Group will publish the final National Result on the British Swimming website by midnight of the following Thursday.

Guidelines & Responsibilities

Individual / Body	Responsibilities (including but not limited to)
County Team Manager	To select and provide a County Team comprising of eligible swimmers To submit a complete team sheet to Regional Meet Organiser To scrutinise the Regional Result and propose any amendments to the Regional Meet Organiser
Regional Meet Organiser	To arrange and conduct the regional meet according to the competitions conditions. To provide complete results to the National Results Co-ordinator in the required format and timeframe. To investigate and propose amendments to the National Result
Region Masters Committee	To select or identify the Meet Organiser for their Region
National Results Co-ordinator	To accept and consolidate the Regional Meet Results into a National Result.
Swim England Masters Working Group	To manage the Competition and decide on any matters arising To send invitations to each County To approve and publish the National Result

Regional Meet Organiser Notes

In order to run a successful event the regional co-ordinator must have previously confirmed the date of competition and have booked a suitable pool with AOE, sent the date, warm up and start times along with venue address to the Masters Officer masters@swimming.org
Once date and venue have been confirmed the Masters Officer will distribute the conditions to the regional organisers.

The regional organiser must then:

- Send the conditions and information pack to county representatives
- Ensure the services of AOE operator
- Organise a Referee who will take responsibility for the event on the day
- Give the nominated name/details of at least 2 officials from each county to the referee on the day
- On completion of the meet ensure all the results are collated correctly including names and DOB for all swimmers in individual races
- Once you are satisfied the results are correct you will need to send them to the results co-ordinator (see page 1) in a format that can be included on [masters rankings](#).

Team Managers' Notes

This guidance sets out the key tasks for a County Masters Team Manager when planning and organising their team for the Swim England Masters Inter-County Competition. It also contains some helpful hints and tips to try to make the task easier.

This is a national event, run annually by the Swim England Masters Working Group. It takes place in November, usually on the second or third weekend, but see Condition 4 above. The events are all 50m sprints with relays for men, women and mixed teams.

Age groups are open-topped – 18-plus, 25-plus, 35- plus and so on up to 65-plus. Single-sex relay teams start at 72-plus and go on to include 100-plus, 140-plus, and 180- plus, and mixed 220-plus and 260-plus groups, reflecting the difficulty some counties have in fielding older relays.

Selecting the team

Obtain contact details for the clubs and coaches – a good source for this data is your region's handbook and results from both local and national meets.

Approaching club coaches and swimmers can also produce potential team members. Your closed County Meet, which generally takes place in June or July, is a good source for potential team members. Have a letter/form to give to medal winners at the County Meet that asks for name, date of birth and contact details such as email, address, phone number and their availability. Be clear in your letter/form as to when you will be making the final selection.

Aim to have as large a team as possible so that if any swimmer is unable to compete you have substitutes. Tell each swimmer what events you have entered them for, including relays. Remember to check your team members' eligibility, and ensure that you have their full date of birth, not just the year.

Other tasks

Officials – your County will be asked to provide two officials for the inter-county **meet**, so ensure that you either ask those that you know or approach the person who organises officials for your county.

Team details, including who is swimming what with dates of birth, are sent to the regional meet organiser in advance of the meet. This is usually about two to three weeks before the event.

Cards may be sent to you for completion depending on how your region runs the meet, and it is wise to do this a day or two before in pencil should you need to make any changes.

Ensure you have kit for your team (usually a t-shirt and hat) check with your County or Masters Committee as to who supplies it.

Make sure that all your swimmers know the route to the venue. This does not always happen!

Seek help from others, such as partners, swimmers, coaches who can ensure that each swimmer is ready to swim and relay teams are sorted.

Remember it is the Team Manager's responsibility to ensure that the regional meet organisers are informed of any last minute changes, and results are noted and checked for any discrepancies, this could affect the national result. Good Luck!

Previous Results

Year	Counties Competing	Pos	County	Points
2018	28	1 st	Yorkshire	1604.0
		2 nd	Warwickshire	1561.0
		3 rd	Devon	1542.0
2017	29	1 st	Yorkshire	1624.0
		2 nd	Warwickshire	1576.5
		3 rd	Hampshire	1549.0
2016	28	1 st	Hampshire	1524.0
		2 nd	Yorkshire	1500.0
		3 rd	Warwickshire	1458.0
2015	28	1 st	Yorkshire	1606.0
		2 nd	Warwickshire	1553.0
		3 rd	Hampshire	1326.0
2014	29	1 st	Yorkshire	1736.5
		2 nd	Warwickshire	1618.0
		3 rd	Sussex	1613.0
2013	30	1 st	Warwickshire	1699.5
		2 nd	Devon	1605.5
		3 rd	Hampshire	1604
2012	28	1 st	Warwickshire	1644
		2 nd	Yorkshire	1609
		3 rd	Cheshire	1531
2011	31	1 st	Warwickshire	1845.5
		2 nd	Cheshire	1688.5
		3 rd	Yorkshire	1640.5
2010	29	1 st	Cheshire	1664
		2 nd	Middlesex	1657.5
		3 rd	Warwickshire	1648
2009	29	1 st	Cheshire	1618.5
		2 nd	Warwickshire	1614
		3 rd	Middlesex	1419.5

2008	30	1 st	Warwickshire	1800
		2 nd	Cheshire	1573
		3 rd	Sussex	1500.5
2007	29	1 st	Warwickshire	1732.5
		2 nd	Yorkshire	1602.5
		3 rd	Cheshire	1544.5
2006	27	1 st	Sussex	1554.5
		2 nd	Warwickshire	1553
		3 rd	Hampshire	1492
2005	27	1 st	Warwickshire	1644
		2 nd	Yorkshire	1405
		3 rd	Devon	1269
2004	28	1 st	Warwickshire	1335
		2 nd	Yorkshire	1228.5
		3 rd	Sussex	1206.5
2003	23	1 st	Warwickshire	1050
		2 nd	Sussex	1034
		3 rd	Yorkshire	931
2002	27	1 st	Yorkshire	1185
		2 nd	Lancashire	1169.5
		3 rd	Warwickshire	1151.5
2001	24	1 st	Lancashire	1127
		2 nd	Yorkshire	1124
		3 rd	Sussex	1072.5
2000	22	1 st	Yorkshire	1085
		2 nd	Sussex	1066
		3 rd	Berks & South Bucks	1030.5