

BRITISH PARA-SWIMMING INTERNATIONAL MEET (50M)
Incorporating the 2021 World Para Swimming World Series
8th to 11th April 2021 CONDITIONS

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1. General Conditions

- a. The British Para Swimming Management Team reserves full powers over the British Para-Swimming International Meet (50m). The Meet Director (or nominated substitute) will be the Promoters representative at the event.
- b. The Competition shall be held under World Para Swimming (WPS) Rules and Regulations (excepting Protest fees) together with any changes and or additional conditions (printed in the Meet Information). Where WPS Rules do not provide (e.g. Health & Safety Regulations or Child Protection Guidelines) the requirements of Swim England shall apply to events held in England.
- c. This Meet is a WPS Approved Competition.
- d. WPS International Classifications will be offered.

2. Protests

- a. WPS Rule 10.12 governs the management of Technical Protests. Whilst for this event the WPS procedure contained within will be followed, the fees referred to in rules 10.12.2 d and 10.12.6.2 shall in both cases be replaced by the protest fee and appeal fee each being £25.

3. Eligibility

- a. S1-S10 - All competitors must have an authorised British Swimming or WPS Classification, which is held on the British Swimming or WPS Classification Database at the time of entry, except for those on the list for classification immediately preceding the competition.
- b. S11-S13 - All competitors must have an authorised British Blind Sport (BBS) or WPS Classification, which is held on the British Swimming or WPS Classification Database at the time of entry.
- c. S14 - All competitors must have an authorised INAS-FID or WPS Classification, which is held on the British Swimming or WPS Classification Database at the time of entry.
- d. All competitors must be at least 11 years of age on the 31st December 2021.
- e. Entrants must have equalled or bettered the published minimum entry standard either long course or short course in the period commencing 1st January 2019 until the entry is made.
- f. Any swimmer who is required to complete an event as part of the classification process will have their entry accepted without the requirement of having achieved the published entry standard. Should an entered swimmer not be able to complete the classification process, they may be permitted to compete in the Heats only, subject to the agreement of the Meet Director.
- g. Entries for the World Para Swimming World Series events are invited from WPS 2021 licensed athletes. All athletes wishing to enter this event should contact their National

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Federation. British Swimming WPS licensed athletes should follow the instructions to enter in the Entry Pack.

- h. GBR competitors who are not WPS licensed must be a registered member, or equivalent of the club in whose name they are entered at the date of entry. That club must be offered by the National Event main online entry system.

4. The Events

- a. The Following events are open for entry by both male and female swimmers and will be swim as separate male and female events:

Freestyle	50m,	S1 – S13
	100m	S1 – S14
	200m	S1 – S5 & S14
	400m	S6 – S13
Backstroke	50m	S1 – S5
	100m	S1, S2, S6 – S14
Breaststroke	50m	SB1 – SB3
	100m	SB4 – SB9, SB11 – SB14
Butterfly	50m	S1 – S7
	100m	S8 – S14
Individual Medley	150m	SM1 – SM4
	200m	SM5 – SM14

5. Entries

- a. Entry to the Meet will be by means of an 'online' entry system. Competitors will be required to complete the online entry documentation in full and pay the required fee for their entry to be processed. Full instructions are included in the Entry Pack.
- b. All entries shall be received by the appropriate National Entries Administrator ("the Administrator").
- c. Entries from competitors who require International classification
- i. All competitors who require classification, entries must be received no later than 12:00 hours GMT on 18th February 2021. Entry fees as listed below.
- d. Entries for the World Para Swimming World Series
- i. Entries for the World Para World Series competition shall be received no later than 12:00 hours GMT on 10th March 2021. All entries for the World Series Events will be charged a fee £15 per event entered

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- e. Entries for the British National Events
- i. Entries received no later than 12:00hrs GMT on 10th March 2021 will be charged a fee of £15 per event entered.
 - ii. Entries received after the deadline set in 5e(i) above, until 1 hour before the Team Leader Meeting on Wednesday 7th April may be accepted, subject to session time restraints. All such accepted entries will be charged an entry fee of £45 per entry.
- f. Entry times must be recorded in the WPS Rankings; or in official meet results from a National Governing Body sanctioned competition held in accordance with WPS Rules.
- g. Split Times, either intermediate distance or first leg of a relay race are not acceptable for entry.

6. Meet Procedure

- a. All Events will swim as Multi-Classification (MC) events.
- b. All Events Heats and Finals up to 10 lanes will be used.
- c. All Results will be determined by the highest points score utilising the British Para-Swimming Points (BPSP) system.

7. Heats

- a. Heats will be seeded by entry time.
- b. Lane allocation in all heats will be, slowest entered swimmer in lane 0 (or lowest numbered lane where there are less than 10 lanes occupied) through to fastest entered swimmer in lane 9 or highest numbered occupied lane.

8. Finals

- a. There will be World Series Finals for events which are recognised as WPS Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games events for swimmers holding a WPS license and classification. This includes individual events which would form part of a relay at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. There will be a separate National Final in each event for British swimmers.
- b. World Series Finals
 - i. Only licensed WPS classified swimmers will be eligible to qualify for a World Series Final.
 - ii. The highest points scoring competitors in each event as determined by BPSP will be eligible for the Finals.
 - iii. The qualifying finalists will be seeded by time for a place in one of the Finals
 1. Where there are less than 25 WPS entries in an event, there will be one Final.
 2. Where there are 25 - 59 WPS entries in an event, there will be two Finals.
 3. Where there are 60 or more WPS entries in an event, there will be three Finals.
 - iv. Where there is more than one World Series Final all finalists will be seeded on time,

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the fastest 10 competing in Final 1 the remaining competitors allocated to subsequent finals based on seeded time.

- c. National Final
 - i. There will be one separate National Final for British swimmers. This will be contested by the top 10 points scorers who have not qualified for World Series Finals.
- d. If necessary, a swim-off may be used to determine swimmers for a final, where points scores are equal, unless the swimmers are the same class then the fastest swimmer shall progress.
- e. Finals will be swum in the order of National Final, World Series Final 3, World Series Final 2, World Series Final 1, dependant on the number of Finals required.
- f. There will be no reserve swimmers for any Finals.
- g. Lane allocation in all Finals will be seeded by qualification time each final in accordance with WPS rule 10.9.1.3.1.
- h. In the interests of competition management combined finals may be implemented at the discretion of the Meet Director in consultation with the WPS Technical Delegate.

9. Withdrawal from Heats

- a. Withdrawals for events competed on Day 1 must be made by the end of the Team Leader Meeting. For Days 2,3 & 4 by 12:00 hours BST in the day before the event is due to take place.

10. Withdrawal from Finals

- a. Finalists not wishing to swim, shall notify the Chief Recorder of their intention to withdraw no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the last individual event in the session in which they have qualified for the next round. The withdrawal shall be made on the official withdrawal form.
- b. Competitors whose entries have been accepted will be expected to swim unless they have complied with the withdrawal procedure as detailed in conditions 9 and 10.

11. Call Room

- a. For heats and finals, swimmers must report to the first call-room no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published start time of their respective heat or final.
- b. Swimmers must report to the competition stewards in the call room for heats and finals and follow their direction. It is swimmer's responsibility to report on time.
- c. Swimmers must enter the Call Room 'race ready' as under normal circumstances having entered the Call Room they should remain in its confines until lead onto the pool deck for their race.
- d. Coaches/chaperones will not be allowed in the call room area at any time, with the

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exception of those swimmers with the relevant classification and exception code allowing Support Staff.

12. Medals

- a. Awards will be made to the 3 highest BPSP points scoring swimmers across the World Series Finals competed in each Event.
- b. An award will be made to the highest BPSP points GBR Swimmer across all Finals competed in each Event.
- c. An award will be made to the highest BPSP points scoring GBR Junior Swimmer across all Finals competed in each Event.
- d. A Junior Swimmer will be born 2006 or later.

13. Doping Control

- a. Competitors taking part in the Meet may be subject to random doping control. They must ensure that they have their accreditation with them always for identification purposes.

14. Team Leader Meeting

- a. It is recommended that a representative from all clubs/countries with swimmers entered in this Meet to attend the Team Leader Meeting. Details of the location and time of the meeting will be included in the Confirmation Pack.

15. Covid -19

- a. Please note that all conditions and information provided in relation to this Meet will be subject to all national and local requirements and restrictions in place at the time of the Meet. British Para Swimming Management Team and the Promoter reserve the right to make all such changes deemed necessary to comply with all prevailing requirements.

British Para Swimming Management Team
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