

STARPLEX SWIM CLUB

POLICY

PROTOCOL FOR ATTENDING SWIMMING EVENTS AT S.A.A.L.C

The following guidelines will apply to **ALL** parents with swimmers under the age of 18 years attending meets at South Australian Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

All swimmers are to report to the Team Manager on arrival. If you arrive late for any reason, report to the Team Manager before going to warm-up.

JX, Division 1 and Division 2 Meets

Swimming SA will advise the Club how many Officials we need to supply for the event. Depending on the swimmer numbers you MAY be required to act in the capacity of an Official on pool deck.

Timekeepers (usually only one) **are** used at these meets **along with** the electronic timing as many younger swimmers do not hit the touch pads hard enough to record a time therefore the backup time is vital.

At these events, we normally have good swimmer representation, so a timekeeping roster for participating swimmers parents will be drawn up where necessary.

A Team Manager will be appointed and they will act as the liaison between Swimming SA and the swimmer/Club.

State Championships

For State Championships, Swimming SA will advise the Club how many Officials we need to supply for the event/session. Depending on the swimmer numbers you MAY be required to act in the capacity of an Official on pool deck.

Timekeepers **are** required at these meets **as well as** the electronic timing system.

A Team Manager will be appointed, they will act as the liaison between Swimming SA and the swimmer/Club.

At these events we normally have good swimmer representation, but because of the increased number of roles we have to fill you **will** be required to assist with timekeeping or an Officials role.

State Open Championships

For State Open Championships Swimming SA will advise the Club how many Officials we need to supply for the event/session.

Timekeepers are required at these meets as well as the electronic timing system.

A Team Manager will be appointed, they will act as the liaison between Swimming SA and the swimmer/Club.

At these events our swimmer representation is small (at this time) you **will** therefore be required to fill one of the roles allocated to us by Swimming SA.

Non-attendance at these meets by parents of competing swimmers **will not** be accepted. If a parent fails to attend and as a result of this the Club is fined for not supplying the required number officials, the fine **will not** be not be paid by the Club, but passed on to the parents who choose not to attend. If you **do not** pay the fine, your child **will not** be swimming at this level of event, until such time as the fine has been paid.

This will also impact on the decision of the coach when selecting teams for National Age and future Interstate Competitions.

Intention to Swim and Withdrawal Forms

If a swimmer has entered any 400m, 800m or 1500m events they must complete either an **Intention to Swim** or a **Withdrawal** form, within the given time frame. It is the swimmer/parent's responsibility to ensure this is done **not the Team Manager.**

If a swimmer makes the top 30 in the **heats** of any swim they **must complete** a withdrawal form if they do not wish to be selected to swim in the **finals**. The withdrawal form **must** be completed and **handed in within 30 minutes** of the posting of the heat results. This is the responsibility of the swimmer/parent **not the Team Manager**. Failure to comply with this, resulting with non-attendance for the finals may mean the swimmer gets a fine. The fine **will not** be paid by the Club but by the parents/swimmer that chooses not to attend. If you **do not** pay the fine your child **will not** be swimming at this level of event until such time as the fine has been paid.

Country Carnivals

We will be required to supply time keepers at ALL Country Carnivals. Upon receipt of the entry list a roster will drawn up, by the Club, from the families entered. If you are unable to attend it will be **your** responsibility to arrange a replacement.

Family members of STARplex officials assisting at these events will be placed on the roster after all other families have been allocated.

STARplex Swim Club Committee August 2015