



Lights Meet Venue
Palatine Leisure Centre
207 St. Anne's Road
Blackpool
FY4 2AP

Blackpool Lights 2024
License Number 3NW241691

16th/17th November 2024
Promoters Conditions

Meet Level

The meet is licensed at level 3 and shall be run under Swim England Laws and Technical Rules and the promoters conditions. The competition is open to all athletes who are at least 9 years old on the 17th November and who are registered competitive members of Swim England (Club Compete)

Age Groups

The Age Groups will be 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14/over. Age as at midnight on 17th November 2024.

NB: 9 year age group, athletes must be 9 on the day of competition.

The Female Category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy. By entering the "Female" category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is female.

Pool

The competition shall be held in an 8 lane 25m pool with anti wave lane ropes. Electronic timing shall be in operation.

A strobe is available for athletes with a hearing impairment.

Events and Entries

Events are 50m, 100m, 200m all strokes, 100m.I.M. and 200m I.M. **NB: 200m IM 10 yrs + over, 200m Fly 11 yrs + over.**

Entries to be submitted electronically using the Sportsystem software. Information pack will be available on the club website www.blackpoolaquatics.org

Entries shall be accepted on a first come first served basis **no sooner** than 7:00 pm Monday 14th October 2024 up to and including the closing date, Thursday 7th November 2024 or when the gala capacity has been reached, whichever occurs first.

Accepted entries will be posted on the club website after the meet has closed. A refund will be given to clubs whose entry is denied where this condition has been exercised.

Disability Swimmers

Classified disability athletes are permitted to enter without the requirement of having achieved a consideration time.

Fees and Payment

The entry fee shall be £6.00 per event.

Weekend Coaches Passes are £20 per coach (for entry, programme, heat start lists, light lunch, and poolside refreshments). Coaches must be a member of the club competing, hold a coaches' pass issued by Blackpool Aquatics ASC and comply with the relevant Swim England Child Safeguarding Procedures and have a valid DBS certificate.

Payment for entries and coaches passes must be made by a single cheque to Blackpool Aquatics ASC, or by transfer to the club bank account, details on summary entry form.

In line with Swim England and Wavepower guidance we will issue one free pass per 10 swimmers to allow swimmers from the larger clubs to be looked after in the sports hall. These passes will not allow access to poolside or food/refreshments. Coaches requiring poolside access must purchase a coach's pass.

Spectator entry shall be by colour coded wristbands. Entry fees £5 per day, £3 per session. The promoter reserves the right to refuse admission to any spectator, coach, or swimmer.

The Competition

Over the top starts may be in operation (this may include backstroke).

The heats shall be swum all ages seeded together.

Each event will be on "Heat Declared Winner" basis.

Spot prizes will be awarded to the winner of randomly selected heats (regardless of any disqualifications).

Awards

The following shall apply.

Awards will be presented to the top three swimmers in each event and each age group after any speeding tickets have been issued.

Swimmers who at this meet swim faster than the upper limit consideration time will be awarded a speeding ticket in recognition of their efforts.

Data Protection

Meet entries shall be managed on a computer. Your consent to the holding of personal information for the purposes of the Meet shall be treated as being given by the submission of your entries, as shall your consent for such details to be published both during and after the meet.

Consideration Times

There are consideration times (Lower Limit and Upper Limit) for this Meet. Submitted times MUST be equal to or faster than the lower limit time AND equal to or slower than the upper limit time. Please submit 25m pool times. The requirement of having achieved a consideration time relies significantly on the integrity of coaches, athletes', and parents to submit correct truthful information. No refunds for mistakes. Random checks may be made against the current Swim England rankings.

Photography

No photography is permitted in the pool hall.

Administration of the Meet

There will be two sessions per day.

Withdrawals must be made on an official withdrawal form to be submitted at least 1 hour before the start of the session, or by text to mobile number 07951 652410 from Thursday 14th November 2024.

Competitors are responsible for presenting themselves to the clerks of the course in the Sports Hall one event prior to the one in which they are competing. It is the swimmers' responsibility to be at the start in time for their race.

To prevent overcrowding clubs with a large number of athletes will be allocated an area in the sports hall.

Results will be published in the sports hall, and gallery. Full copies of results and club performance summaries will be e mailed to each competing club after the conclusion of the meet.

Conditions not covered in these competition rules shall be dealt with in accordance with the laws of the sport and at the discretion of the promoter.

Entries should be submitted electronically together with completed summary entry form to

Blackpool Aquatics ASC 51 Heron Way Blackpool FY3 8FA Tel: 01253 393967

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Any queries contact Janice Whittle as above.