



**Rocks Meet Venue
Palatine Leisure Centre
207 St Annes Road
Blackpool
FY4 2AP**

**Blackpool Rocks Promoter's Conditions
24/25 May 2025
Licence No. 3NW250690**

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 swimmers who are at least 9 years old on the final day of the meet and who are registered competitive members of Swim England (Club Compete)

Age Groups

The Age Groups will be 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/Over as at midnight on 25 May 2025.

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 light is available for the use of swimmers with a hearing impediment.

Events and Entries

Events are 50m, 100m, 200m all strokes, 200m I.M., 400 Free **NB: 200m Fly and 400 Free 11 /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 up to and including the closing date, Wednesday 7 May or when the gala capacity has been reached whichever occurs first.

Entries will only be accepted from **7:00 pm Wednesday 30 April** and must be accompanied by the summary entry form.

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO THIS DATE. Accepted entries will be posted on the club website after the closing date **Wednesday 7 May** or when the meet is full.

Disability Swimmers

Classified disability swimmers 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 £20.00 per coach (for entry, programme, heat start lists, light lunch, poolside refreshments). Coaches must be a member of the club competing, hold a coach's pass issued by Blackpool Aquatics ASC and comply with the relevant SE Child Safeguarding Procedures and have an up-to-date DBS certificate.

Payment for entries and coaches passes must be made by cheque to Blackpool Aquatics ASC, or by transfer to the club bank account, details on the 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 access to poolside must purchase a coaches pass.

Spectator entry shall be by colour coded wristbands. Entry fees £6.00 per day, £3.00 per individual session.

The Competition

Over the top starts will be in operation which 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 fastest three swimmers in each event and each age group will receive an award.

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 slower than the upper limit time. 25m pool times or converted 50m times should be submitted. The requirement of having achieved a consideration time relies significantly on the integrity of coaches, swimmers, and parents to submit correct truthful information. No refunds for mistakes. Random checks may be made against the current SE rankings database for times achieved since 1 January 2024. Swimmers found to have a current rankings time as at the opening date for entries (30 April 2025) faster than the upper consideration time will be rejected from those events.

Photography

No photography is permitted in the pool hall. No mobile phones will be permitted on poolside.

Administration of the Meet

There will be two sessions per day.

Withdrawals must be made on an official withdrawal form to be submitted one hour before the start of the session, or by text to mobile number 07951 652410 from Thursday 22 May 2025.

Competitors are responsible for presenting themselves to the Marshalls in the Sports Hall one event prior to the one in which they are competing. It is the swimmer's 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 emailed 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. The promoter reserves the right to refuse admission to any spectator, coach, or swimmer.

Entries should be submitted electronically and club summary entry and payment to:

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

E Mail: blackpoolaquaticsc@gmail.com

Any queries Contact the Promoter Janice Whittle as above