

By-Laws of the Young Amateur Swimming Club

(A by-law is a law, or rule, made by a club for control of its own affairs)

1. (a) Members must be financial to be eligible to compete, and must swim on designated swim nights to receive points in the club point score competition.

(b) Where swimmers are representing the Young Amateur Swimming Club Inc.(YASC) at a higher level of competition, or at swimming camps run by Southern Inland Swimming Association (SISA), they may be eligible for competition points by applying to the Race Secretary seven (7) days before those swims prior to that scheduled night. If for any reason club swims on Friday are cancelled, the events may be slotted in at a suitable time to all, with the decision being at the committee's discretion.

2. Trial swims will apply only to new members. Members from the preceding season shall have established time formulated as best time in preceding season plus 2 seconds.

Club Point Score Competition

3. (a) A Monthly Medal will be awarded to the boy and girl gaining the highest point score for each month of the club's point score events. This monthly medal will be awarded only once to a member in each swimming season.

4. (a) For different distance swims, a swimmer is graded on his/her best time.

(b) 25m to 50m freestyle time will be the time at 25m freestyle doubled, plus 5 seconds

(c) 25m to 50m form stroke will be the time at 25m form stroke doubled, plus 10 seconds.

(d) Individual Medley time from 100m to 200m be assessed by the formula of 100m time x 2 plus 25 seconds.

(e) Swimmers who compete a swim out of their grade shall only gain one point for that swim.

False Starts

5. (a) Handicap – if you go off the wrong handicap number you must return and touch the wall before proceeding.

(b) Horn/Hooter/Gun Start – One Start Rule – any swimmer starting before the starting signal has been given, shall be disqualified. If the starting signal sounds before the disqualification is declared, the race shall continue and the swimmer or swimmers shall be disqualified upon completion of the race. If the disqualification is declared before the starting signal, the signal shall not be given, but the remaining swimmers shall be called back, be reminded by the Starter of the penalties, and start again.

Championships

6. (a) To be eligible for Club Championship events, a member must have completed a minimum of ten (10) point score events before the commencement of The Club Championship Program. The committee may approve of a member being eligible for Club Championships events if special circumstances prevail.

(b) A new incoming member, with a bona fide residence, who is a registered member of an affiliated Amateur Swimming Club, shall be allowed to compete and gain Club Championship Points at the discretion of the committee.

(c) For a swimmer to break a record they must be in the age group of the record being attempted.

(d) Senior members will be 17 years and over. Junior members will be 15 and 16 years. All members swim at the age they are, at the day of the swim, including records; with the exception of the Championships. Members compete in the championships at the age which they are, at the commencement of the Championships. Should a member change age during the Championship, he/she may claim championship points towards the Championship, but not a record at his/her previous age.

(e) To be entitled to hold an overall age club championship a swimmer must have swum in four (4) club championship events unless at the discretion of the committee this law is rescinded due to extenuating circumstances.

(f) The point score for Club Championships will be seven (7) points for first, five (5) points for second, three (3) points for third and one (1) point for successfully completing the event. Disqualifications will result in zero (0) points.

Club Records

7. (a) If club records are broken on Championship nights, they are automatically recognised.

(b) Record attempts are to be in own age group only. Example – 11 year swimmer may not attempt a record for a 13 year swimmer.

(c) All times recorded at Swimming NSW sanctioned meets at long course pools will be eligible for club records.

(d) To compete for Club Records at club nights, the swimmer must notify the Race Secretary two (2) days prior to the event so that the proper officials can be arranged.

(e) On the last three (3) club nights an Open event will be included for the purpose of Record attempts for strokes not scheduled on the program for that night. These events will be held before the scheduled program commences. The Race Secretary must be notified two (2) days prior to the night.

(f) Swimmers must have established time in club or Southern Inland Swimming Association (SISA) events close to the existing record at the discretion of the committee.

(g) An experienced person will be appointed by the Executive to ensure the stroke is performed correctly. The Committee reserves the right to approve or disallow records.

10 Year Medal

8. A medal will be awarded to Registered Swimmers in recognition of 10 years continuous participation in the swimming club.