



## SWIMMING REGULATIONS

- (a) The Combined Swimming Sports Meeting will be held in March each year at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre. All arrangements will be organised by the Sports Coordinators' Committee.
- (b) Lanes will be drawn for the first event and thereafter the lane positions will follow by rotation.
- (c) Age groupings for Boys and Girls are taken as on 29 February of that year.
- (d) Girls may compete in a maximum of five (5) events. Boys may compete in up to four (4) events (including relays), with the option of a fifth event being one of the following: Open 200 metres Freestyle; Under 17 100 metres Freestyle; Under 16 100 metres Freestyle.
- (e) A competitor may not use the same stroke in more than one individual event, with the exception of the following Freestyle events: Boys Open 200 metres; Boys U17 or U16 100 metres; and Girls Open 100 metres.
- (f) A competitor may only swim in one Medley Relay and one Freestyle Relay.
- (g) Competitors must wear the official swimming cap of their school and will be disqualified for failure to do so. Competitors may only wear swimwear appropriate for competition pool swimming (multi-coloured garments; board shorts or football shorts are not permitted). The use of swim garments banned by FINA By-Law 8.2 is strictly prohibited in all AGSV events and trials. This includes wearing a second garment under the outer garment while competing. Failure to do so, unless permission has been granted, will result in disqualification.
- (h) Competitors are not permitted to display 'body art' (eg., school's names or slogans) while competing.
- (i) If a swimmer is running late for an event there is no need to report to the Marshalling Room. The start of an event will not be delayed if a competitor is late.
- (j) Referees: The Referees and Starters will be Swimming Victoria Officials. They will strictly enforce the Rules of Swimming, in particular: Starts; Stroke Definition; Turns; Finishes and Relay Changeovers. The One-Start Rule will apply.
- (k) Boys Events
- *Open Events:* 100 metres Freestyle; 200 metres Freestyle; 100 metres Backstroke; 100 metres Breaststroke; 100 metres Butterfly.
  - *Under 17 Events:* 100 metres Freestyle; 50 metres Freestyle; 50 metres Backstroke; 50 metres Breaststroke; 50 metres Butterfly.
  - *Under 16 Events:* 100 metres Freestyle; 50 metres Freestyle; 50 metres Backstroke; 50 metres Breaststroke; 50 metres Butterfly.
  - *Under 15, 14, 13 Events:* 50 metres Freestyle; 50 metres Backstroke; 50 metres Breaststroke; 50 metres Butterfly.
  - *Relays - All Age Groups:* 4 x 50 metres Freestyle; 4 x 50 metres Medley.
- Girls Events
- *In all age groups, Open, Under 16, 15, 14 and 13:* 50 metres Freestyle; 50 metres Backstroke; 50 metres Breaststroke; 50 metres Butterfly.
  - *Open Events:* 100 metres Freestyle.
  - *Relays - All Age Groups:* 4 x 50 metres Freestyle; 4 x 50 metres Medley.
- (l) Relay teams will consist of four members, each swimming 50 metres. Medley relays will swim in the following order:
1. Backstroke
  2. Breaststroke
  3. Butterfly
  4. Freestyle
- (m) Scoring  
*Boys:* 1st 9; 2nd 8; 3rd 7; 4th 6; 5th 5; 6th 4; 7th 3; 8th 2; 9th 1.  
*Girls:* 1st 6; 2nd 5; 3rd 4; 4th 3; 5th 2; 6th 1.  
A competitor or team who does not start, is disqualified or fails to finish will score no points.
- (n) At the conclusion of the meeting a presentation will take place, following which the winning teams may do a victory walk around the concourse. **TEAMS MUST NOT JUMP IN THE POOL.**