

Guidance notes for entering the Team Championships 2026



Please read these notes carefully and refer to the published conditions.

There are two age groups in the Team Championships: 14-16yrs and 17yrs/over. Swimmers may only swim in the Age Group they represent.

Clubs may enter multiple teams per event, with each swimmer eligible to represent one team only.

- The slowest team entered by a club must include at least two swimmers who have achieved a regional qualifying standard.
- For any additional teams (eg B & C teams) all members of the team(s) must hold a regional qualifying standard.

Note: A regional qualifying standard is defined as having a conditional time for the Swim England South East Long Course Championships 2026 validated on Rankings at the time of entry for at least one individual event, 400m or shorter. Clubs are encouraged to enter only teams capable of competing at or above regional level, in the spirit of maintaining a high-quality championship program.

All entries must be submitted on or before **14th March 2026**. **Additional teams will not be accepted after this date.**

Submitting a team entry

- All entries must be submitted via the online entry portal published on the competition web page. Confirmation of entry will be e-mailed to the person who submitted the entry.
- Entries should include named primary swimmers to each relay team in the order they are intended to swim.

We are conscious that illness or injury may force changes to the named primary swimmers to avoid teams being unnecessarily scratched. Please assign qualifying reserves, with their Swim England membership number and DoB, into the 99D reserve event so that they can be included in our database.

Only swimmers whose names have been previously submitted can be switched into the competing teams if required. **Swimmers that are not included in the reserves list at the closing date will not be allowed to participate in the event.**

- Accepted teams (including named primary swimmers) will be published as soon as possible after the closing date. We will not publish the names of reserve swimmers. We encourage clubs to manage expectations in their clubs.

Changing swimmers' names and withdrawing teams

1. The withdrawal of a team before the event must be made via the online form on the competition webpage. All withdrawals are final.
2. Clubs should e-mail team changes to swimcompmanager@southeastswimming.org by the evening of **Wednesday 25th March** (the date when we plan to publish the event to Meet Mobile).
3. Clubs should continue to e-mail team changes to swimcompmanager@southeastswimming.org up to the **18:00 on Friday 27th March** to minimise the effort of making changes on the day of the competition.
4. Last-minute team changes must be notified to the technical support team on poolside by **14:00 on Saturday 28th March** so that there is plenty of time to make final corrections before printing the heat sheets.
5. Withdrawals on the day of competition must be made using the published withdrawal system. All withdrawals are final.