



Swimming State Championship Competition Rules and Guidelines

Queensland Representative School Sport championships shall be conducted according to:

- [Swimming Australia Rules](#) - The competition will be conducted under the current World Aquatics Swimming Rules and the current International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Rules except where otherwise stated.
- [School Sport Australia- Swimming](#)
- [QRSS Risk assessment handbook](#)

Age Eligibility

(at 31 December in the year of competition)

10-19 years Boys and Girls

Playing Conditions

Nomination Information

Able-Bodied Athletes

Regions may nominate athletes who have progressed through the district and regional pathway in accordance with Queensland School Sport Swimming Rules and Guidelines.

Athletes must have achieved the relevant qualifying standard or selection criteria for their event to be eligible for nomination.

Each region may nominate the allocated number of athletes per event as outlined in the Queensland School Sport Swimming Rules and Guidelines. Additional entries may only be accepted where approved by the convenor or executive.

Athletes may nominate only in events for which they have qualified through the approved pathway and achieved the required standard.

Event entry limits and championship participation requirements will apply in accordance with the Queensland School Sport Swimming Rules and Guidelines.

Multi-Class Athletes

Multi-class athletes may compete at the QRSS State Championships in events listed in the current School Sport Australia (SSA) competition procedures.

Athletes must appear on the relevant Swimming Australia or recognised national classification master list to compete. If not listed, classification evidence from the relevant organisation must be provided to the Regional School Sport Office/Team Manager and Multi-Class Convenor prior to nomination.

Athletes who receive confirmed classifications after nominations close must provide evidence to the Multi-Class Convenor before the commencement of competition to be recognised at the Championships.

Athletes who have commenced the classification process may compete as exhibition athletes if evidence of their application is provided at nomination. Exhibition athletes are not eligible for medals, records, or representative team selection until classification is confirmed.

Athletes with classifications recognised through Sport Inclusion Australia may compete in accordance with current Queensland School Sport Swimming and SSA eligibility guidelines.

Athletes with multiple classifications must nominate under one classification category for the duration of the Championships.

Queensland State Team Selection Information

Sport Specific Skills will be the primary criterion for selection, and this will be based on the performance of the swimmer at the Queensland Representative School Sport Swimming State Championships.

- The placing of the swimmer in individual events (based on time recorded).
- The attitude and behaviour of the swimmer as a member of the team. Swimmers must meet the Queensland School Sport Code of Conduct.
- The number of competitors selected for each individual event is based on the School Sport Australia Swimming rules and guidelines.
- Special considerations for an absent competitor must adhere to [Absent competitor form](#). Times submitted for consideration must be from a sanctioned Swimming Australia or Swimming Queensland meet post 1 July of the previous year and listed on Swimming Australia's Results Central. Special consideration times will be compared to the Results Central PB of the swimmers that they are to replace.
- For Queensland team selection purposes only: If in a final there is a tie that would create a group of swimmers greater than the School Sport Australia eligible number of competitors for that event, consent for an additional swimmer will be requested to SSA. In the case of tie between a swimmer competing at the state championships and a swimmer who has applied for exemption, the swimmer competing at the state championships will be selected.
- The team size (if limited) will be determined by the School Sport Australia Swimming rules and guidelines.

Relay selection

- Relays are selected on performance at the State Championships.
- Able body relays will be selected using the fastest time combination.
- Multi-class relays will be selected using the highest multi-class points combination.

During Championships

- Review final results.
- Team selection made based on swimmer placing and team requirements.
- Special considerations for an absent competitor must adhere to the [QRSS](#) Policies and Guidelines
- Times submitted for consideration must be from Swimming Australia's Results Central from a sanctioned Swimming Australia or Swimming Queensland meet post 1 July of the previous year.
- Absent competitors times will be compared to the meet time and Results Central time of those who swam at the State Championships to determine eligibility.
- In the case of tie between a swimmer competing at the state championships and a swimmer who has applied for exemption, the swimmer competing at the state championships will be selected.
- Absent competitor forms must be submitted to the Meet Director prior to the start of the meet.
- If in a final, there is a tie that would create a group of swimmers greater than the School Sport Australia eligible number of competitors notification to SSA will be made to include the extra swimmer. This only applies to swimmers who swim at the QRSS state championships.

Perpetual Trophies and Medallions

- Medallions will be awarded to the top three regional teams at the conclusion of the championships.
- Perpetual trophies will be awarded to the winning championship team (highest ranked team after the final game on the last day).
- Medallion for age champions

Student Consent Information

- For a full list of third parties to whom the department may disclose personal information and/or materials, please click here.

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