

Swimming WA Club Meets & Virtual Meet (COVID-19)

Swimming WA would like to thank the tireless work of Chris McMillian from My Swim Results as well as the Swimming WA Re-ignition Working Group in forming this initiative.

Purpose

The purpose of the SWA Virtual Meet is to provide recommendations to assist SWA Clubs in the planning and organization of upcoming Interclub and Intraclub Meets in a COVID-19 environment.

The Virtual Meet will allow results from each of the Interclub and Intraclub Meet to be collated on My Swim Results.

Key Points

- Intraclub and Interclub meets are taking place during Phase 3 in the COVID-19 WA Roadmap
- Event limit of 100 people total (inc. swimmers, volunteers, officials, spectators)
- 1.5m social distancing must always be adhered to

Dates

For results to be collated, your club must run your meet of the weekends of August 7-9 or August 14-16

Event Registration

To express your interest in hosting a club meet please click here

<https://www.myswimresults.com.au/CalendarEvent.aspx?ID=AUS|936> no later than **Monday 27 July**. If you have any difficulties with your registration process, please contact support@myswimresults.com.au

Age Groups

Swimming WA recommends that any swimmer aged 11-years or older to be able to compete, however this will have to comply with your venue and Parent/Guardian regulations. Clubs may allow younger swimmers to compete as long as they are able to ensure 1.5m social distancing and stay under the 100-person limit with parents attending to supervise younger children.

Events

- 50 Free
- 50 Back
- 50 Breast
- 50 Fly
- 100 Free
- 25 Kick (Heats and Finals) – BYO Kickboard
- 8x25 Mixed Medley Relay

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Meet Considerations

Pool Facility

It is important to work with your venue to determine if your pool can host the meet safely before proceeding. This includes maintaining 1.5m social distancing at all times and 2 square metres per person.

Social distancing in seating areas and during marshalling needs to be considered, as well as access to changerooms and toilets.

Entries

Swimmers will be able to select their events through My Swim Results, clubs are able to set their fee per event.

Health Survey Questionnaire

The online entry process through My Swim Results will include the Health Survey Questionnaire to be completed by all swimmers. Spectators, Officials and Volunteers will also need to complete this form through My Swim Results with the certificate to be presented on entry into the Swim Meet.

Venue Gate

Attendees will need to be counted into the venue to ensure that only 100 people are in the facility at any time. Stock counters or wristbands (available at Officeworks or online could be used. Swimming WA or Open Water Officials may also have the counters)

Hand Sanitiser will be required for all patrons as they enter, and provided at entry points to changerooms

Questionnaire receipts will need to be displayed on entry to the venue to say that the Health Questionnaire has been completed. Anyone without their certificate should be denied entry. Certificate will be in the form of a protected PDF document listing the names of those that are covered under the certificate for the particular meet & venue.

Warmup

Warmup procedures for the meet must include social distancing, in particular at the end of the lanes when swimmers are at rest.

Timekeepers

For times to be uploaded onto My Swim Results, only 1 timekeeper per lane is required. Note that these times are unofficial so cannot be used for entry into Swimming WA Meets where a qualifying time is required. The number of lanes used can be reduced to allow 1.5m spacing of timekeepers.

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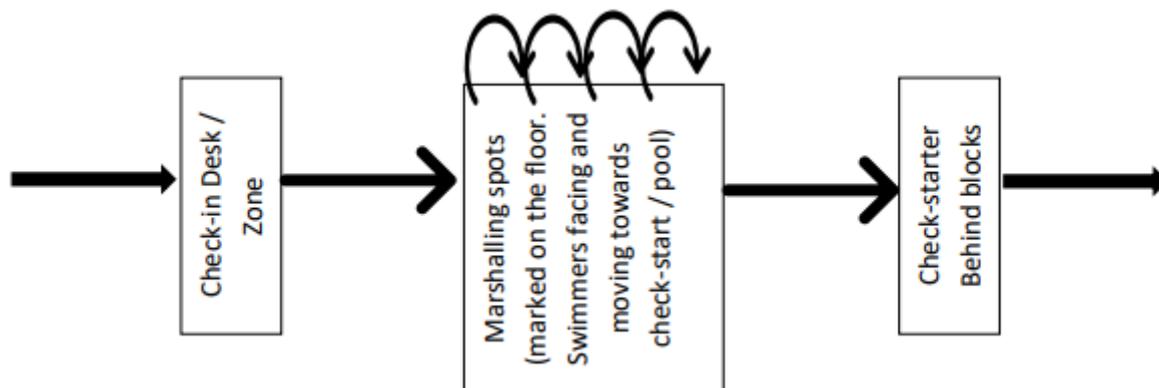


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Marshalling Area

- Officials to enforce the 1.5m rule in the marshalling area.
- No seating to be provided.
- It is suggested to mark rows on the ground allowing for a space of 1.5m between each position both across the heat and also to subsequent heats.
- In an effort to reduce the “cross-over” between incoming swimmers finding their place and those moving forward to start to race - suggestion is to move the marshalling table to the rear of the marshalling area and have swimmers approach the marshalling area from the rear.



Recommended Officials (8-lane pool)

- 8 Timekeepers
- 2 Technical Officials
- 1-2 Marshals
- 1 Check-starter
- 1-2 Computer Operator(s)
- 1-2 Entry Gate counter
- 1 Meet Director

Multiple Sessions

If clubs want to run multiple sessions to give more swimmers the opportunity to race, liaise with your venue to ensure that there is an adequate changeover procedure in place for in between sessions.

Race Start and Finish Procedures

To maintain social distancing, swimmers can move away from the wall after their race or can alternatively clear the water before the next race. This can be left to the referee’s discretion.

Video Streaming

Clubs have the potential to live stream the event back home to parents, or video conference with another club who are running their meet at the same time

Swimming Australia – National Guidelines for Restarting Club Environments

Click [here](#) for the Swimming Australia Guidelines

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