

National League 2021

Event Information and Conditions

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Scottish Swimming National League 2021

Scottish Swimming is delighted to invite *clubs to take part in the Scottish Swimming National League 2021.

About the Scottish Swimming National League 2021

The Scottish Swimming National League has been created to meet the demands and wishes of swimmers and coaches for more team competition. The programme of events has been prepared with mostly short events and relays to create excitement and to be as inclusive as possible.

Entering a Team

Clubs can enter as many teams as they wish by "opting in" using the Scottish Swimming membership portal (Go Membership/Azolve) on or before 2pm on 15 October 2021. There is no need to submit team lines when opting in. <u>SS National League 2021 Team Entry</u>

League Rounds

There will be three rounds:

Round 1 - during week ending 31 October 2021

Round 2 - during week ending 28 November 2021

Round 3 – during week ending 19 December 2021 (including the National League Finals on 18 December)

Each round will follow the same programme of events. The duration of a round is expected to be approximately two hours excluding any warm-up.

Age Groups

There are two age groups combined within a single programme:

Open

15 and under (age at 31 December 2021)

Swimmers aged 15 and under can swim in Open events and it is anticipated that this will happen for many teams

National League Finals

The results of the first 2 rounds will be used to determine the participating clubs and teams at the Scottish Swimming National League Finals, to be held in Glasgow at Tollcross International Swimming Centre. Meet information for the National League Finals will be available at a later date.

Finals - 18 December 2021

The results of the League this year will be used to create tiered divisions for Scottish Swimming National Leagues in 2022.

Cost and Conditions

The cost to enter the Scottish Swimming National League 2021 shall be £10 per team, payable at the time of opting in. Teams participating in the Finals shall pay a further £25.

Conditions can be found on page 3 and further information about submission of results will be made available to clubs who enter.

^{*}Throughout this document, club includes composite teams affiliated to Scottish Swimming – see conditions



Programme of Events

Event No.	Event	Event No.	Event
1	15 and Under 4 x 50m Mixed Freestyle Relay	19	15 and Under Girls 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay
2	Open 4 x 50m Mixed Freestyle Relay	20	Open Girls 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay
3	15 and Under Girls 200m Individual Medley	21	15 and Under Boys 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay
4	Open Girls 200m Individual Medley	22	Open Boys 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay
5	15 and Under Boys 200m Individual Medley	23	15 and Under Girls 100m Backstroke
6	Open Boys 200m Individual Medley	24	Open Girls 100m Backstroke
7	15 and Under Girls 100m Freestyle	25	15 and Under Boys 100m Backstroke
8	Open Girls 100m Freestyle	26	Open Boys 100m Backstroke
9	15 and Under Boys 100m Freestyle	27	15 and Under Girls 50m Freestyle
10	Open Boys 100m Freestyle	28	Open Girls 50m Freestyle
11	15 and Under Girls 100m Breaststroke	29	15 and Under Boys 50m Freestyle
12	Open Girls 100m Breaststroke	30	Open Boys 50m Freestyle
13	15 and Under Boys 100m Breaststroke	31	15 and Under Girls 100m Butterfly
14	Open Boys 100m Breaststroke	32	Open Girls 100m Butterfly
15	15 and Under Girls 4 x 50m Medley Relay	33	15 and Under Boys 100m Butterfly
16	Open Girls 4 x 50m Medley Relay	34	Open Boys 100m Butterfly
17	15 and Under Boys 4 x 50m Medley Relay	35	15 and Under 4 x 50m Mixed Medley Relay
18	Open Boys 4 x 50m Medley Relay	36	Open 4 x 50m Mixed Medley Relay



Conditions

The following conditions are agreed but are subject to change:

- The Scottish Swimming National League 2021 is promoted by Scottish National Swimming Committee. Any queries should be addressed to
 - nationals@scottishswimming.com
- 2. All competition must take place in a 25m pool.
- 3. Swimmer age as at 31 December 2021.
- 4. Clubs are responsible for making their own arrangements for their teams to compete in the rounds.
- 5. It is for the clubs and teams entering the Scottish Swimming National Leagues to ensure that any necessary Licence or Registration has been submitted and approved. It is for the organizing clubs and teams to ensure that they are complying with any relevant Health and Safety, Safeguarding and Covid-19 protocols. Guidance is available on the Scottish Swimming website.
- 6. League rounds can be swum on any day at any time in the weeks ending 31 October 2021 for round 1, 28 November for round 2 and 19 December for round 3. The finals shall be swum as a part of round 3 on 18 December.
- Results for each round must be submitted using the approved entry method. Incorrectly completed submissions will be rejected.
- 8. All results must be submitted to the League Administrator by 10pm on 31 October 2021 for round 1, by 10pm on 28 November for round 2, and by 10pm on 19 December for round 3. Results submitted late will not be accepted.
- 9. Overall results for all 3 rounds, including the finals, will be used to determine the tiered divisions for National Leagues 2022.
- 10. In recognition of the restrictions that some clubs may face, for this 2021 National League, clubs may compete in the National League rounds as follows:
 - Swimming alone in their own venue no licence or registration required but the results should be confirmed by a qualified referee or an independent observer (not from the club)
 - Swimming a dual meet with another club– level 4 registration required but the results should be confirmed as above or by head coaches from both clubs
 - Swimming in a multi-club event of up to four clubs level 4 registration required but the results should be confirmed as above
 - Swimming in a multi-club event of more than four clubs level 3 licence required with a qualified referee confirming the results
- 11. Regardless of licence or registration, all league rounds should be conducted as though subject to the conditions of a level 3 licence.
- 12. AOE is not required but can be used.
- 13. Starting blocks and backstroke starting devices are not required but can be used if available.
- 14. In recognition of the restrictions that some clubs may face, for this 2021 National League, where a club is swimming alone in their own venue, the programme of events can be varied as follows:
 - a) Split with the first 18 events in one session and the second 18 events in another. The remaining conditions will be applied as though the programme was taking place in one session.
 - b) Events can be swum at the same time e.g. 15 and Under Girls 200m Individual Medley could be swum at the same time as Open Girls 200m Individual Medley.
- 15. All swimmers taking part must be swimming members of the club they are representing.
- 16. All clubs entering must be affiliated to a Scottish District, or for composite teams affiliated to Scottish Swimming.
- 17. For the purposes of the Scottish Swimming National League 2021, a composite team shall be considered a club subject to the condition that the team and constituent clubs should decide between them on the best way for swimmers to enter. There are two options:
 - a) All clubs that are members of the composite team can enter under the composite team, or
 - b) All clubs that are members of the composite team can enter as individual clubs

There can be no mixing of options a) and b).

- 18. No swimmer, having swum for one team in a round, can swim for another team in any one round.
- 19. No swimmer having swum for a club can swim for another club in a later round or in the final.
- 20. Swimmers can enter a maximum of two individual events. There is no limit on the number of relays a swimmer can enter.
- 21. For this 2021 National League, clubs will qualify for the finals based on the ranking of the results of their team(s) in each event across the country.
- 22. There will be two finals, each with ten teams (first and second division finals). There will be two reserve teams. The top two teams in the second division final will be reserves for the first division final. If fewer than twenty teams enter the Scottish Swimming National League 2021 there will be only a first division final.
- 23. No more than one team from a club can qualify for any one final at the Scottish Swimming National League Finals. Any club that has two teams ranked in the top ten teams would be offered one team in the first division final and another in the second division final.
- 24. Clubs that do not field a full team or enter all events can still submit their results to the League Administrator for ranking. We are encouraging as many clubs as possible to participate.
- 25. Scottish Swimming Swimwear Policy applies. See SW8.8.