

New Swimmer Entry Procedure

“The Club” is a competitive age group swimming club and welcomes new swimmers to the club. To ensure swimmers are placed in the correct squads and that squad sizes are not increased beyond capacity the club has set out the following procedures for entry. New swimmers are considered from two categories.

Category A: swimmers who will be joining a swimming club for the first time

1. We accept swimmers submitted from the pre-club swim programme.
2. Other local learn to swim programmes are also encouraged to recommend swimmers for entry to the club.
3. The club might hold a selection trial if the number of swimmers submitted outnumbers the number of places available in the club.
4. After recommendation and/or trial new swimmers will be entered into our lowest squad.
5. The club will normally accept recommendations for Category A swimmers twice yearly in December and June for entry January & August.

Category B: swimmers who wish to move to “The Club” from another club.

Within category B we prioritise the swimmers as follows:

1. We will always do our best to accept swimmers moving from other clubs outside the “Local Name” area, since we feel it is our responsibility, as a club, to ensure current swimmers can continue pursuing their sport after a family move.
Such swimmers will be invited to a trial and (if successful) entered into the squad appropriate to their experience and ability.
2. We will, where possible, accept swimmers from another club in the “Local Name” area who wish to move to “The Club”.
Such swimmers will only be invited to a trial if there is capacity to accept the swimmer into the club. If successful at a trial the swimmer will be entered into the squad appropriate to their experience and ability.

The final decision on the allocation of new places and placing in squads lies with the head coach.

Upon being offered a place in “The Club”, applicants must complete either a Scottish Amateur Swimming Association (SASA) club membership form (for new swimmers) or a SASA change of club membership form (for swimmers transferring from another club). This form, together with relevant fees for SASA membership, must be returned to the Head Coach or a member of the Management Group within 14 days of joining the club. This is important as it ensures swimmers have insurance cover when swimming with the club.

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