



# The National Arena Swimming League West Midlands

## CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION AS AT 2013 A.G.M.

**ANY CHANGES TO THESE CONDITIONS SHALL BE CARRIED BY A MAJORITY  
VOTE**

### 21. ORDER OF EVENTS

The programme shall be as follows:- [ The figures in [ ] relate to a 50m pool.]

1 / 2	Open 4 x 2 Individual Medley [1]	27 / 28	11 / U Breaststroke
3 / 4	11 / U 4 x 2 Freestyle Relay [1]	29 / 30	13 / U Butterfly
5 / 6	13 / U 4 x 2 Medley Relay [1]	31 / 32	15 / U Freestyle
7 / 8	15 / U 4 x 2 Freestyle Relay [1]	33 / 34	Open Breaststroke
9 / 10	Open 4 x 2 Medley Relay [1]	35 / 36	11 / U Freestyle
11 / 12	11 / U Backstroke	37 / 38	13 / U Freestyle
13 / 14	13 / U Breaststroke	39 / 40	15 / U Breaststroke
15 / 16	15 / U Backstroke	41 / 42	Open Freestyle
17 / 18	Open Butterfly	43 / 44	11 / U 4 x 2 Medley Relay [1]
19 / 20	11 / U Butterfly	45 / 46	13 / U 4 x 2 Freestyle Relay [1]
21 / 22	13 / U Backstroke	47 / 48	15 / U 4 x 2 Medley Relay [1]
23 / 24	15 / U Butterfly	49 / 50	Open 6 x 2 Freestyle Relay [1]
25 / 26	Open Backstroke		

Distances for Individual Events	11/U	13/U	15/U	Open
In Pools 3 Lengths to 100M/110yds.	1L	3L	3L	3L
In Pools 4 Lengths to 100M/110yds	2L	4L	4L	4L
In Pools 2 Lengths to 100M	1L	2L	2L	2L

Freestyle / Medley Relays	11/U	13/U	15/U	Open
	Med F/S	Med F/S	Med F/S	Med F/S
In Pools 3 Lengths to 100M/110yds	4x2	4x2	4x2	4x2 4x2 4x2 6x2
In Pools 4 Lengths to 100M/110yds	4x2	4x2	4x2	4x2 4x2 4x2 6x2
In Pools 2 Lengths to 100M	4x1	4x1	4x1	4x1 4x1 4x1 6x1

Individual Medleys:- In pools irrespective of length – 50 Metres each stroke.

All events shall be swum under A.S.A Law and A.S.A. Technical Rules.

And conform to The National Arena Swimming League constitution.

The team coach or chaperone may escort a swimmer to the start but must withdraw as soon as the swimmers come under the control of the referees control.

No club official shall be allowed at the end of the pool without specific authority of the referee.

## 22. POINTS SYSTEM AND SCORING

Points scoring at galas for 6 teams:- 6,5,4,3,2 1.

Points scoring at galas for 5 teams:- 5,4,3,2,1.

Points scoring for League tables for 30, 24, 18, teams:-

Round One.

1<sup>ST</sup> -6pts, 2<sup>ND</sup> -5pts, 3<sup>RD</sup> -4pts, 4<sup>TH</sup> - 3pts, 5<sup>TH</sup> - 2pts, 6<sup>TH</sup> - 1pt.

Plus a bonus of 5pts. For the first 18, 18, 12 winners of round one

Round Two.

6,5,4,3,2,1. As round one, plus a bonus of 10pts for teams who swim in the top gala of round three.

Round Three:- top gala only.

1<sup>ST</sup> - 12pts. 2<sup>ND</sup> -10pts. 3<sup>RD</sup> -8pts. 4<sup>TH</sup> -6pts. 5<sup>TH</sup> -4pts. 6<sup>TH</sup> -2pts.

All other galas score as round one but NO bonus points.

Points scoring for League tables for 25, 20, 15 teams.

Round One.

1<sup>ST</sup> - 5pts, 2<sup>ND</sup> - 4pts, 3<sup>RD</sup> - 3pts, 4<sup>TH</sup> - 2pts, 5<sup>TH</sup> - 1pt.

Plus a bonus of 5 pts for the first 15, 15, 10..winners of round one

Round Two

5,4,3,2,1as round one plus a bonus of 10pts for the teams who swim in the top gala of round three.

Round Three top gala only

1<sup>ST</sup> - 10pts. 2<sup>ND</sup> -8pts, 3<sup>RD</sup> -6pts, 4<sup>TH</sup> - 4pts. 5<sup>TH</sup> -2pts.

All other galas score as round one but NO bonus points.

## 23. NUMBER OF SWIMS PER SWIMMER.

(a) Swimmers 16 years and over who are eligible to swim in the open event may swim three individual events.

(b) Swimmers 15 years, 13 years, 11 years and under may swim in three individual events with a maximum of two events in their own age group and a maximum of one event in any age group above.

(c) There are no restrictions in relay events.

(d) In the event of an infringement of (a) or (b) the team shall have all points gained by that deemed disqualified swimmer in that event deducted from the teams total gala points, plus 10 gala points deducted for each offence.

## 24. COMPOSITION OF THE LEAGUE.

Premier Division and Division Two shall consist of 24 teams, the remaining teams shall be Division Three and split into a Northern and Southern section.

The rough East/West dividing line shall be a line from Junction 19 of the M1 to Junction 1 of the M 5.

Promotion and Relegation between Divisions One and Two shall be four teams. Four teams will be promoted from Division Three. The four teams to be decided in a swim-off between the top 3or4 teams in each

Division Three sections. The swim-off gala to be held on a Sunday in January preferably in an 8 lane pool.

The four teams relegated to Division Three will swim in the appropriate Northern / Southern section.

Where a club has 2 or more teams in the league no swimmer from a higher rated team shall swim in the promotional finals for a lower rated team unless that swimmer has within the same season competed as a member of the lower rated team.

These four relegated teams shall then be placed at the bottom of the division they are being relegated to.

In the event of there being a re-organisation of the divisions the promotion and relegation shall be effected before that re-organisation takes place.

The League shall run as follows for:- **20 & 24 Teams.**

#### ROUND ONE

The draw to be made at the A.G.M. between the teams to divide them into four groups of 5 or 6 for the four galas to be swum on the first night, (the Officers to make the draw for the first round.)

#### ROUND TWO

The gala points gained in the four galas of round one are used to decide the four galas of round two in the following manner:-

Gala 1. The team with the highest number of points plus the teams with the 4<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, 13<sup>TH</sup> and (16<sup>TH</sup>)

Gala 2. The team with the second highest number of points plus the teams with the 5<sup>TH</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup>, 14<sup>TH</sup> and (17<sup>TH</sup>)

Gala 3. The team with the third highest number of points plus the teams with the 6<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup>, 12<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup>, and (18<sup>TH</sup>)

Gala 4. The remaining teams participating in round one.

ROUND TWO ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.

#### ROUND THREE

Gala 1. When 20 teams are competing, teams who were 1<sup>ST</sup> in galas 1, 2 and 3 of round two plus the two next highest scoring teams.

When 24 teams are competing, teams who were 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> in galas 1, 2, and 3 of round two.

Gala 2. Teams who were the next 5 (6) to gain the highest number of points in the galas of round two.

Gala 3. The next 5 (6) gaining the highest number of points.

Gala 4. The remaining teams competing in round two

ROUND THREE ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.

The four teams to be relegated shall be the four teams in positions 17,18,19&20.in a 20 team division, or teams in positions 21,22,23,&24 in a 24 team division.

The League shall run as follows for:-**15&18 Teams.**

#### ROUND ONE

The draw to be made at the A.G.M. between the teams to divide them into three groups of 5 or 6 for the three galas to be swum on the first night, ( the Officers to make the draw for the first round )

#### ROUND TWO

The gala points gained in the three galas of round one are used to decide the three galas of round two in the following manner:-

Gala 1. The team with the highest number of points plus the teams with the 3<sup>rd</sup> , 5<sup>TH</sup> , 7<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup> and (11<sup>TH</sup> )

Gala 2. The team with the second highest number of points plus the teams with the 4<sup>TH</sup>, 6<sup>TH</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, and (12<sup>TH</sup>)

Gala 3. The remaining teams competing.

ROUND TWO ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.

#### ROUND THREE

Gala 1. When 15 teams are competing, teams who were 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> in galas 1 and 2 of round two, the 5<sup>TH</sup> team to be the one with highest number of points of the two placed 3<sup>RD</sup> from galas 1 and 2.

When 18 teams are competing, teams who were 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup> and 3<sup>RD</sup>.in galas 1 and 2 of round two.

Gala 2. Teams who were the next 5 (6) to gain the highest number of points in the galas of round two.

Gala 3. The remaining teams competing in round two

THREE ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.

The four teams to be relegated shall be the four teams in positions 12, 13, 14, & 15 in a 15 team division, or teams in positions 15,16,17&18 in a 18 team division.

The League shall run as follows for:- **25 Teams.**

#### ROUND ONE.

The draw to be made at the A.G.M. between the teams to divide them into five groups of 5 teams for the galas to be swum on the first night (the Officers to make the draw for the first round)

## ROUND TWO

The gala points gained in the five galas of round one are to be used to decide the five galas of round two in the following manner:-

Gala 1 The team with the highest number of points plus the teams with 4<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, and 13<sup>TH</sup>.

Gala 2. The team with the second highest number of points plus the teams with the 5<sup>TH</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup> and 14<sup>TH</sup>.

Gala 3. The team with the third highest number of points plus the teams with the 6<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup>, 12<sup>TH</sup>, and 15<sup>TH</sup>.

4. The team with the 16<sup>TH</sup> highest number of points plus the teams with 18<sup>TH</sup>, 20<sup>TH</sup>, 22<sup>ND</sup> and 24<sup>TH</sup>

Gala 5. The team with the 17<sup>TH</sup>, 19<sup>TH</sup>, 21<sup>ST</sup>, 23<sup>RD</sup>, and 25<sup>TH</sup>.

**ROUND TWO ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.**

## ROUND THREE

Gala 1. Teams who were 1<sup>ST</sup> in galas 1, 2, and 3 of round two, plus the 4<sup>TH</sup> and 5<sup>TH</sup> teams to be the ones with the next highest number of points of the three from galas 1, 2 & 3.

Gala 2. The next 5 teams to gain the highest points in the galas of round two.

Gala 3. The next 5 teams to gain the highest points in the galas of round two.

Gala 4. The next 5 teams to gain the highest points in the galas of round two.

Gala 5. The remaining teams competing in round two

**ROUND THREE ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.**

The four teams to be relegated shall be the four teams in positions 22, 23, 24, & 25.

The League shall run as follows for:- **30 Team**

## ROUND ONE.

The draw to be made at the A.G.M. between the teams to divide them into 5 groups of 6 teams for the five galas to be swum on the first night (the Officers to make the draw for the first round).

## ROUND TWO.

The gala points gained in the five galas of round one to be used to decide the five galas of round two in the following manner:-

Gala 1. The team with the highest number of points plus the teams with 4<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, 13<sup>TH</sup> and 16<sup>TH</sup>.

Gala 2. The team with the second highest number of points plus the teams with 5<sup>TH</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup>, 14<sup>TH</sup> and 17<sup>TH</sup>

Gala 3. The team with the third highest number of points plus the teams with 6<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup>, 12<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup> and 18<sup>TH</sup>

Gala 4. The team with the 19<sup>TH</sup>, highest number of points plus the teams with the 21<sup>ST</sup>, 23<sup>RD</sup>, 25<sup>TH</sup>, 27<sup>TH</sup> and 29<sup>TH</sup>.

Gala 5. The team with the 20<sup>TH</sup>, highest number of points plus the teams with the 22<sup>ND</sup>, 24<sup>TH</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>, 28<sup>TH</sup> and 30<sup>TH</sup>

**ROUND TWO ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.**

## ROUND THREE.

Gala 1. Teams who were 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> in galas 1, 2 and 3 of round two.

Gala 2 The next 6 teams to gain the highest points in round two.

Gala 3 The next 6 teams to gain the highest points of round two.

Gala 4 The next 6 teams to gain the highest points of round two

Gala 5 The remaining teams competing in round two.

**ROUND THREE ALL GALAS WILL BE SPEARHEADED.**

The four teams to be relegated shall be the teams in positions 27, 28, 29 and 30<sup>TH</sup>.

## 25. COLLATION OF GALA RESULTS.

The delegate or appointed deputy of the hosting club shall telephone the Secretary on either Saturday evening or Sunday morning following the gala with the full point's result of the gala. The result sheets which are provided plus the team sheets should be posted to the Secretary to arrive by Tuesday following the gala.

The Secretary shall notify the teams of their next venue at least 14 days before the next gala date. All teams to be informed by the Secretary of all results of every gala, as well as the League table positions after each round.

When only two rounds of the competition can be completed:-

- (a) The results after these two rounds shall be declared the final results for that year's competition and presentations, promotions and relegations shall be made accordingly except for the finalists of Division One.
- (b) The top six teams of Division One shall compete in order to complete the league table and determine the clubs to represent The National Swimming League West Midlands in The National Swimming League Cup Finals.

## 26. PLACINGS.

In the case of a dead heat in a race, both teams will receive the same points for the place they achieved.

(e.g. if lanes 3 and 5 dead heat for 1st place in a six team gala, both should receive 6 points, and the third place 4 points as usual. The points should not be averaged i.e. both receiving 5½

To determine placings if teams tie on either gala points or league points:-

### ROUND ONE

The number of first places will be taken into account, then if necessary the number of second places and so on.

### ROUND TWO

The number of first places will be taken into account, then if necessary the number of second places and so on if two teams swimming in the same gala have equal points in that gala to determine the order of the result for that gala. If teams swimming in different galas have equal league points then the total number of gala points from galas 1 and 2 will determine placings.

### ROUND THREE

The total number of gala points from galas 1, 2 and 3 will determine placings.

In all cases, if there is a tie on total gala points, the number of first places will be taken into account, then if necessary the number of second places and so on.