



AUSTRALIAN SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK AQUATIC CENTRE | 29 SEP - 2 OCT 2026

INFORMATION PACKAGE

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the 2026 Australian Short Course Championships. We are really looking forward to seeing you all at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre. It is imperative that all coaches, team managers and support staff read this information to understand your leadership obligations to your athletes.

The event will be conducted under the Swimming Australia Rules and Competition Regulations, World Aquatics Competition Regulations and the WPS Swimming Rules.

Stakeholders must also abide by Swimming Australia's National Integrity Framework which can be [VIEWED HERE](#).

KEY PERSONNEL

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KEY EVENT TIMES

All key event times can be found below.

Please note that the Competition Pool will be closed for warm up 15 minutes prior to the commencement of each session. We ask that swimmers clear the water when the announcement is made to enable the pool to be readied for competition.

We will ask all accreditation holders to clear the venue 30min post the conclusion of every session.

DATE	DETAILS	START
Sunday 27 th September	Pre-meet training & Accreditation open	3:00PM-6:00PM
Monday 28 th September	Pre-meet training & Accreditation open	8:00AM – 11:00AM
	MC venue walk through and Q&A (meet in marshalling room – optional and not mandatory)	3:00PM-3:30PM
Tuesday 29 th September – Friday 2 nd October	Pre-meet training & Accreditation open	3:00PM-6:00PM
	Gates & Accreditation open + Athlete warm-up	8:00AM
	Competition (Heats)	10:0

PROGRAM OF EVENTS & QUALIFYING TIMES

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

- » The Program of Events can be found under Competition Information on the event page of the website [HERE](#)
- » This event will be conducted in a 10-lane pool
- » All Heats will be swum in the order of fastest heat to slowest heat, with the exception of relay events
- » 400m, 800m and 1500m freestyle and 400m IM events are Timed Finals with the slow heat/s in the morning (swum fastest to slowest) and the fastest heat contested in the evening finals session
- » MC Events will be swum as Open Heats and Finals, regardless of how many contest the heats
- » Relay events are Timed Finals and will be contested in the evening finals session, slowest heat to fastest heat, with the exception of the 4x200m freestyle relay which will be contested in the morning Heats session on Day 3

QUALIFYING TIMES

- » All qualifying times must be achieved before the closing date. Long Course times, unconverted, can only be used where a short course time has not been achieved and Swim Central will work this out for you. Swimmers cannot ask for a manual entry to use a Long Course time if they have an available Short Course time
- » [CLICK HERE](#) to view qualifying times
- » [CLICK HERE](#) to view MC age qualifying times
- » Age is determined by the swimmer's age as at Tuesday 29th September, 2026
- » The minimum age for swimmers competing is 13 years and 12

ENTRY PROCEDURES

Entries close at 12:00noon (midday) AEST Monday 14th September.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Relay Only Swimmers to process your accreditation payment.

Late Entries may be accepted for a limited time only at the discretion of Swimming Australia. Entry times for late entries must be achieved prior to the original closing date as advertised above and online. Times achieved after this date will not be accepted, regardless of accessibility in Swim Central. Refunds will not be provided.

A 'Late Entry Meet' will open in Swim Central at 12:00pm AEST on Monday 14th September. Late entries will incur additional fees and will close at 5pm AEST Wednesday 16th September.

If you have already submitted your entries on time, please **DO NOT** re-submit them as you will be charged higher fees and refunds are not available.

No further late entries will be accepted after **5pm Wednesday September 16th** under any circumstances.

ENTRY FEES	PRICE	LATE ENTRIES
Individual Events	\$35 per event	\$50 per event
Relay Events	\$70 per relay	\$110 per event

ACCREDITATION

APPLYING FOR ACCREDITATION

Accreditation for Coaches, Team Managers, Physios, Sports Science, Staff-Member Organisations, MC Carers, and Technical Officials will open on Wednesday 24th June, 2026 via [Swim Central](#). User guides are available on our website. All individuals are required to have a current and valid WWCC.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Relay Only Swimmers to process your accreditation payment. This is a separate fee to the team relay entry fee and must be paid for.

Accreditation applications must be made in advance and WILL NOT be accepted onsite.

Accreditation applications close at **11:59pm AEST Monday 16th September**. Late applications may be accepted following this date at the discretion of Swimming Australia. Late fees will apply.

There are five different types of accreditations available to clubs which include:

- » Coach: (\$110)
- » Team Manager (\$110)*
- » Physiotherapist (\$62)
- » Massage Therapist (\$62)
- » Multi-Class Carer (\$45)

*Clubs must nominate their Team Manager via this

ACCREDITATION

ACCREDITATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- » Accreditation will open on Wednesday June 23rd, 2026
- » Accreditation applications close at **11:59pm AEST Monday 16th September**
- » Accreditation can be collected from the accreditation booth at the event entry on pre-meet or competition days
- » Accreditation passes must be visible at all times and are strictly non-transferable
- » We encourage Team Managers to collect accreditations for the whole club to avoid long lines at the accreditation booth
- » Any accreditations that need reprinting onsite will incur a \$25 reprint fee
- » Please also remember to collect your accreditation post race at the Accreditation collection tables on pool deck

ATHLETE ACCREDITATION PHOTOS

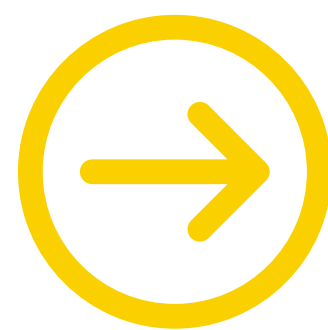
Swimmers will now have the option of including their photo on their accreditation pass for National Championship events. This is no longer mandatory. Instructions for uploading your photo can be found under the Accreditation menu header [HERE](#).

Athletes who enter online entries will automatically receive accreditation. This is a separate accreditation to Relay Only Swimmers. Relay Only Swimmers **do not** receive automatic accreditation and must apply via the link on the previous page.

MC CARERS PASS

ONLINE CHECK IN

To check in online for 400m, 800m and 1500m freestyle and 400m individual medley events, please scan the adjacent QR code



If you do not receive a confirmation email, you may not have submitted the form correctly. You will need to submit the form again and remember to press the 'submit' button at the end of the form.



