



## CHAMPIONSHIP BY-LAWS

To be read in conjunction with the Championship By-Laws of Swimming Australia and Swimming Queensland.

### **CBL 1 - Australian Championships**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

### **CBL 2 - Dates**

- (1) The dates of the Brisbane Senior Metropolitan, Junior Metropolitan, Short Course and Relay Championships shall be determined by the Management Committee.
- (2) No club within the Brisbane Region will be permitted to conduct a meet during the period of any Brisbane Championship without the prior consent in writing of the Brisbane Management Committee.

### **CBL 3 - Events to be conducted at Australian Open Championships**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

### **CBL 4 - Events to be conducted at Australian Short Course Championships**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

### **CBL 5 - Events to be conducted at Australian Age Championships**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

### **CBL 6 - Swimmers with Disability**

- (1) Brisbane Championship events for classified swimmers with disability shall be conducted in Multi-Class (MC) format. Competitors must hold an eligible classification. Placings for each event shall be determined using the Multi-Class Point Score System. No more than three competitors from the same classification may contest the finals.
- (2) Multi-Class events are to be swum under SAL Swimming Rules for MC

### **CBL 7 - Open Water**

- (1) Brisbane Swimming shall each year conduct the Brisbane Open Water Meet over a distance of ten (10), five (5), two point five (2.5) and one point two five (1.25) kilometres, at an approved open water venue and at a time determined by the Management Committee. There will be separate events for males and females.
- (2) Visitors are permitted to compete.

### **CBL 8 - Qualifying Times**

Brisbane Swimming shall adopt a qualifying time for each distance and stroke for all Brisbane Championships, excepting the Open Water Meet. The qualifying times must be achieved at any time after January 1 in the year prior to the year in which the Championships are held.

### **CBL 9 - Semi-Finals at Australian Open Championships**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

### **CBL 10 - Semi-Finals at Australian Short Course Championships**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

### **CBL 11 - Distance Events**

All 800m and 1500m Freestyle Championships will be swum as Timed Finals. The swimmers will be seeded in heats according to the fastest declared times, the first heat being the fastest heat group, the second heat the next succeeding group, etc until completed. The sequence shall be on the basis of the slowest heat first and the fastest heat last.

### **CBL 12 - FINA Rules**

The Championships shall be conducted under the Rules and By-Laws of FINA as prescribed in the Handbook of FINA, except insofar as they are varied by these By-Laws.

### **CBL 13 - Protest**

As per the By-Laws for the conduct of Australian Championships, except if the protest is rejected, the deposit will be forfeited to the Management Committee of the competition.

### **CBL 14 - Smoking**

No smoking shall be permitted in any area designated for swimmers, either prior to or during competitions.

### **CBL 15 - Swimsuit guidelines**

As per Swimming Queensland Swimsuit Guidelines

### **CBL 16 - Eligibility (Pool)**

- (1) Subject only to sub-clause (6) of this By-Law, only 'Active', 'Financial', 'Competitive Swimming' members of SAL shall nominate to compete at Brisbane Championships as per the SwimOnline database.
- (2) Entries may be lodged on behalf of a member registered with the Association.
- (3) All entries are to be submitted through the Brisbane Swimming website via the online entry system.
- (4) Each competitor entered shall submit to doping control tests when so determined.
- (5) Swimmers who meet the definition of 'Visiting' swimmers, as per the SQ Visiting Swimmers Policy, are not eligible to progress into the finals of Brisbane Championships events or to score points.
- (6) Swimmers are not permitted to swim 'unattached'.

- (7) In the event of a question arising as to the eligibility of any swimmer under this By-Law to represent or score points in any competition for any club, the swimmer so affected shall be at liberty to refer that question to the Management Committee of Brisbane Swimming and its determination shall be final.

#### **CBL 17 - Facilities**

Brisbane Championships shall be conducted at a suitable venue as determined by the Management Committee.

#### **CBL 18 - Nomination fees**

An entry fee, which shall be determined from time to time by the Management Committee, shall be charged for each individual entry and each team entry in all Brisbane Championships.

#### **CBL 19 - Age limitations**

- (1) Each entrant for a limited age competition must be of the stipulated age on the first day of the meet and shall produce, on request of Brisbane Swimming, a birth certificate or statutory declaration as to his/her age to the Meet Manager.
- (2) The exception to the above is that swimmers who turn 13 years of age after the first day of the Senior Metropolitan Championships up to and including the first day of the Junior Metropolitan Championships, may compete in the Senior Metropolitan Championships as a 13 year old.

#### **CBL 20 - Qualifying times**

- (1) Unlimited entries for all individual and team events shall be accepted from club representatives, provided that such entry complies with the conditions of entry for that event, including that the entry time submitted has been achieved within the stipulated period.
- (2) For Brisbane Long Course Championships, the qualifying times must be achieved in a 50m pool.
- (3) For Brisbane Short Course Championships, the qualifying times should be achieved in a 25m pool. If the swimmer does not have a time in a 25m pool, then his/her time in a 50m pool is acceptable without any conversion factor.

#### **CBL 21 - Team Leaders' Meeting**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

#### **CBL 22 - Marshalling and Withdrawals**

- (1) Any entrant who fails to report to the marshalling area at least ten (10) minutes prior to the scheduled time for the start of the session on that day if entered in the first or second events, or at the time of the start of an event, at least two events prior to the event in which they are entered, shall be deemed to be withdrawn.

All heats (including heats of the 800m and 1500m freestyle) shall be deemed to be one event for the purpose of this By-Law.

- (2) Any swimmer who, having placed in the top 15 and, following withdrawals, is required for the final (excluding reserves) and does not marshal for the event shall be fined the sum of \$50, except where there are medical reasons or proven hardship. The Technical Manager shall determine the acceptability on all matters where medical reasons or hardship are claimed and that determination shall be final.

#### **CBL 23 - Medals**

- (1) The winner, second and third place-getters in each Championship shall receive a medallion of special design approved by the Management Committee. The first medallion shall be of gold colour, the second medallion shall be of silver colour, and the third medallion shall be of bronze colour.
- (2) Medals shall only be awarded to swimmers or teams achieving the qualifying standard in their final.
- (3) The first swimmer eligible to represent Brisbane to finish in each Championship shall receive the title of 'Brisbane Champion'.

#### **CBL 24 - Records**

- (1) Brisbane Swimming records may only be set at Brisbane Swimming Championship events.
- (2) Two sets of records shall be maintained - Long Course and Short Course.
- (3) Records may be established in ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 years and Open.

#### **CBL 25 - Relays**

- (1) All team entries are to include names of 4 swimmers (and reserves if available) in order of swimming.
- (2) Any alterations to entries, including order of swimming, will be accepted by the Control Room Supervisor, or representative, up until 45 minutes prior to the commencement of the competition.
- (3) Swimmers may only compete in one age freestyle relay and one age medley relay and one open freestyle relay and one open medley relay and one mixed relay team.
- (4) A maximum of one non-Australian citizen may compete in any team.

#### **CBL 26 - Trophies**

Trophies for performances in the events and divisions shall be at the discretion of the Management Committee from time to time.

#### **CBL 27 - Award of points**

Points shall only be awarded to swimmers achieving the qualifying standard in their final.

#### **CBL 28 - State Point Score**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

#### **CBL 29 - Jury of Appeal**

The Jury of Appeal for all Brisbane Swimming Championships will consist of three members who were not involved in the infraction. The Jury will be appointed by the Technical Manager, who can be a member of the Jury.

**CBL 30 - Disqualification**

As per Swimming Queensland disqualification By-Law.

**CBL 31 - Advertising Rule**

Not applicable to Brisbane Swimming

**CBL 32 - By-laws**

All events conducted by Brisbane Swimming shall be conducted under these By-Laws unless otherwise notified prior to the events.