



HYPHE AQUA BY – LAWS

**THIS SECTION SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH SECTION 13 OF
THE CLUB CONSTITUTION**

Club By-laws

1. Temporary membership may be granted at the discretion of the Executive Committee.
2. Second claim membership of Hythe Aqua Swimming Squads will only be allowed in the following circumstances; a member of good standing who, for the purposes of education or work, takes up temporary residence at such a distance as to render training with and representing Hythe Aqua a practical impossibility, and wishing to continue in similar activities to those provided by the Club, joins another Club operating a “First Claim Member Only” rule or similar restrictive practice, may after consideration by the Executive Committee be permitted to hold “second-claim” membership of Hythe Aqua Swimming Squads.
3. A Junior member for subscription purposes shall be under the age of 18 years on the 1st June of that membership year.
4. Family membership includes the member, their spouse or partner and any of their children/dependents entitled to Junior Membership
5. Participation in Club Championships will be limited to those members who have Hythe Aqua as the swimming club of which they have the longest unbroken membership.
6. All individual Junior (as defined by the Clubs Constitution) Club Members who qualify for and attend National Championships, relevant to swimming, shall be eligible to apply to the Executive Committee for a maintenance donation per championship qualified for and attended, up to a maximum of three donations per individual, per club year.
7. In addition to the Executive Officers the Committee will consist of: Hon Swimschool Representative, Hon Squad/Coach Representative, Hon Masters Secretary, and three Executive Members + ex-officio Welfare Officer
8. Upon resignation all club equipment, trophies etc must be returned immediately to the

Hon Secretary

9. For the purposes of training and pool hire the Hythe Aqua Masters training sessions will be known as Hythe Masters Swimming Club and will be accounted for separately to the main club accounts, although these accounts will be aggregated with the main club accounts and reported to the Hythe Aqua AGM at the end of each financial year. All individuals attending Hythe Masters will be fully paid up Hythe Aqua club members. Hythe Masters will maintain its own insurance arrangements.
10. Club Championships – Hythe Aqua will aim to hold two swimming championships per year. These will be known as the Sprint Championships and the Club Championships.

11(a) Sprint Championships

The age groups will be 8yrs & Under – 25 metres, 9/10yrs, 11/12yrs, 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs & Open all 50 metres for all four strokes. There will be male and female competitions across all distances/age groups.

11 (b) Club Championships

The age groups for the club championships will be: 8yrs & Under, 9/10yrs, 11/12yrs, 13/14yrs, 15/16yrs & Open over all four strokes.

Age Group Strokes

8yrs & Under 25 metres strokes + 100m IM

9/10yrs 50 metres strokes + 100m IM

11/12, 13/14, 15/16 & Open 100 metres all strokes + 200m IM

There will also be an Open competition for the following distances:

200m Breaststroke, 50m Freestyle, 200m Freestyle, 400m Freestyle, 200m Backstroke, 200m Butterfly, 400m IM, 100m IM, + 800m Freestyle (Girls/Ladies) & 1500m Freestyle for (Boys/Men) where possible.

There will be male and female competitions across all distances/age groups. Medals will be presented for age group events and Open medals for 200m Breaststroke, 200m Freestyle, 400m Freestyle, 200m Backstroke, 200m Butterfly, & 400m IM

11(c) General Club Championship Conditions

The Club Championships will be open to all Club Members who have Hythe Aqua as their longest unbroken membership.

Club Championship age groups will be determined by a swimmers age on the 31st December in the competition year.

Club Records will be determined by the swimmers age on the 31st December in the competition year.

There will be no time trials or swimming for time only allowed in the championships.

Any swimmer failing to report at the published time will only be allowed to compete if space is available in the heats.

12(a) General Membership

When the Executive Committee consider membership applications of Hythe Aqua by individuals of other ASA affiliated clubs, they will take into consideration any previous membership of Hythe Aqua.

12(b) Life Membership

The Executive Committee will consider where appropriate providing Life Membership to an individual for outstanding service to the Club. A presentation of Life Membership certificates where agreed will be made at the annual Hythe Aqua AGM.

12(c) Club President

The Club President will be nominated by the Executive Committee and once appointed will hold that role until they retire from that position. Club Presidents may be nominated from within the club membership base. The Club President is an honorary position and has no Executive Committee voting rights.