

**EUROPEAN SWIMMING
SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS**
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In addition to the LEN General Event Rules the following

REGULATIONS

shall apply:

ESC 1 ORGANISATION

ESC 1.1 The Championships shall be held every odd year.

ESC 1.2 The organising Federation and the place where the Championships will be held shall be decided by the LEN Bureau and circulated by the LEN Office.

ESC 1.3 Three (3) Delegates, one (1) to be appointed by the Bureau and two (2) by the LEN Technical Swimming Committee (LEN TSC), will be responsible for and supervise the organisation and the correct conduct of the competitions according to LEN Rules and Regulations.

The Delegates will decide on all matters arising on site at the competition which require an immediate decision.

ESC 2 EVENTS AND PARTICIPATION

ESC 2.1 Events are (men and women):

- Freestyle 50 m, 100 m, 200 m, 400 m,
800 m (women only),
1500 m (men only);
- Breaststroke 50 m, 100 m, 200 m;
- Backstroke 50 m, 100 m, 200 m;
- Butterfly 50 m, 100 m, 200 m;
- Individual Medley 100 m, 200 m, 400 m;
- Freestyle Relay 4 x 50 m;
- Medley Relay 4 x 50 m;
- Mixed Relays 4 x 50 m Freestyle, 4 x 50 m Medley.

ESC 2.2 In individual events a maximum of four (4) entries per Federation and per event may be submitted.

Notwithstanding the times or places achieved in the heats, only the two (2) fastest swimmers of the respective Federation may:

- a) proceed to the semi-finals and/or finals;
- b) take part in a swim-off;
- c) be nominated as a reserve.

In any event where heats are not held a maximum of two (2) swimmers per Federation may take part in semi-finals, finals or timed finals.

ESC 2.3 In relay events one (1) entry per Federation and per event may be submitted.

ESC 2.4 The order of the events will be circulated by the LEN Office.

ESC 3 FORMAT

ESC 3.1 Standards and Lane placing

ESC 3.1.1 Entries will be accepted regardless of standards, but they shall include entry times including 0.00

ESC 3.1.2 The entry time shall be taken from the LEN Ranking list.

Entry times achieved in 25m pools and 50m pools shall be accepted

Entry times shall not be older than fifteen (15) months prior to the first day of the swimming competition.

ESC 3.1.3 Lane placing for heats shall be:

- a) for individual swimming according to FINA Rules, based on the entry times;

b) for relay heats and timed finals by draw.

ESC 3.1.4 Heats, Semi-Finals and Finals may be swum using 10 lanes.

ESC 3.2 Qualification System

ESC 3.2.1 In 50 m and 100 m events there shall be heats, semi-finals and finals.

ESC 3.2.2 In 200 m, 400 m and relay events there shall be heats and finals.

ESC 3.2.3 In 800 m and 1500 m events there shall be heats and finals.

ESC 3.2.4 Where semi-finals are held the qualifiers for the final will be 1st and 2nd in each semi-final together with the fastest times from the remaining swimmers in the semi-finals.

In events without semi-finals, qualification for the final shall be based on times established in the heats in accordance with FINA Rules.

ESC 3.2.5 An individual swimmer or relay team qualified but not wishing to take part in a semi-final or final shall withdraw within 30 minutes from the end of the heats or semi-finals concerned; otherwise they shall be fined according to Rule E 17.6.

ESC 3.2.6 Reserves for semi-finals and finals are decided according to times established in the heats or semi-finals. In cases of withdrawal it is the responsibility of the team manager to ensure the reserve is present. A Federation failing to do so shall be fined according to E 17.6.

ESC 3.3 Relays

ESC 3.3.1 All swimmers entered for the Championships may swim in relays.

ESC 3.3.2 The composition of relay teams shall be declared in order of swimming no later than one hour before the commencement of the session in which the race will take place. In a case of emergency the referee on request in writing may accept changes up to the time of the start.

ESC 3.3.3 The composition of a relay team may be changed between heats and finals of an event.

ESC 3.3.4 In relay team events all participating members (including those who participated only in heats or semi-finals) of the teams finishing first, second and third shall qualify to receive medals but only the swimmers who participated in the finals shall attend the victory ceremony and media presentation.

ESC 4 ENTRIES

ESC 4.1 Preliminary Entries shall be submitted to the organising Federation, with copy to the LEN Office, no later than the date circulated by the LEN Office.

ESC 4.2 A Federation having made a Preliminary Entry may withdraw up to the date circulated by the LEN Office.

ESC 4.3 Named entries shall be submitted to the organising Federation, with copy to the LEN Office, no later than ten (10) days before the first day of the competition, if not announced otherwise.

ESC 4.4 Competitors who cannot prove identity and citizenship shall not be permitted to take part in the Championships.

ESC 4.5 Following the close of entries all entry times are updated by Microplus using the fastest available time listed on Swim Rankings.

ESC 4.6 Following publication of the initial entry list Team Leaders ("TL") shall have the ability to make corrections, substitutions and withdrawals up to 24 hours prior to the TL meeting. Prior to the TL meeting each team will receive a "Update/ Corrections" report prepared by Microplus for confirmation of entries. Final corrections, substitutions and withdrawals may be submitted during the TL meeting.

ESC 5 ACCREDITATION

ESC 5.1 Federations entering the Championships will receive accreditation for:

- a) the President of the Federation;
- b) the Head of the Delegation;
- c) the entered competitors;

- d) one medical person;
- e) a second medical person if more than twenty competitors have been entered;
- f) one physiotherapist for up to 10 athletes entered, two for 10 to 20 athletes entered, three for 20 to 30 athletes entered, etc.
- g) team staff members:
 - 6 for up to 15 competitors;
 - 7 for up to 20 competitors;
 - 8 for more than 20 competitors.

ESC 5.2 The number of team staff members shall not exceed the number of competitors plus one.

ESC 5.3 Team staff members include everybody servicing the team: Team Leaders, Chaperones, Coaches, Physiotherapists, Interpreters, etc. (not officials such as judges, referees, etc.).

ESC 6 OFFICIALS

ESC 6.1 In addition to the Technical Delegates, two (2) referees, one (1) starter, one control room supervisor (1), one call room supervisor (1) and one (1) announcer will be appointed by the LEN Technical Swimming Committee.

ESC 6.2 Federations may nominate one or two officials qualified on one of the current FINA Lists.

Nominations shall be submitted to the LEN Office no later than the date circulated by the LEN Office.

All costs for Officials approved by the Technical Swimming Committee shall be paid by the nominating Federation.

ESC 6.3 The organising Federation shall supply all other officials.

ESC 6.4 The LEN Technical Swimming Committee shall nominate the officials for each competition day.

ESC 7 CHAMPIONSHIPS TROPHY

ESC 7.1 The Trophy shall be awarded to the Federation obtaining the highest number of points in both men's and women's events according to the following system:

- a) in individual events using 8 lanes:
 - Places 1 - 8: 18,16,15,14,13,12,11,10 points
 - Places 9 -16: 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 points
- b) in relay events using 8 lanes:
 - Places 1 - 8: 36,32,30,28,26,24,22,20 points
- c) in individual events using 10 lanes:
 - Places 1 - 10: 22,20,19,18,17,16,15,14,13,12 points
 - Places 11 - 20: 10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 points
- d) in relay events using 10 lanes:
 - Places 1 - 10: 40,36,34,32,30,28,26,24,22,20 points

ESC 7.2 In case of a tie the highest points shall be awarded to each swimmer or relay team.