

SPEEDO OPEN MEET 2026

LEVEL 3, LONG COURSE

3rd & 4th January 2026

License No.: 3SE260040

Promoters Conditions

At a glance:

This is a Level 3, Long Course competition. The competition will be swum under Swim England Laws and Technical rules and licensed by Swim England. The Meet Promoter is Crawley Swimming Club and the meet will be overseen by an appointed Meet Manager and Referee.

Venue: K2 Leisure Centre, Pease Pottage Hill, Crawley RH11 9BQ.

Pool: 50m, 8 Lanes with anti-turbulence lane ropes.

Electronic timing with touch pads at both ends.

Backstroke Ledges available

Secondary Strobe light available – Swimmers requiring this are requested to declare

this with their entry.

Events: 50m, 100m, 200m all strokes

400m, 800m, 1500m Freestyle

200m & 400m IM

Age Groups: 9yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17+yrs

All ages for 50m, 100m & 200m events

Minimum age for 400m Freestyle/IM will be 10yrs Minimum age for 800m/1500 Freestyle will be 11yrs

Age as of last day of meet (4th January 2026)

Qualifying Times: Upper qualifying times apply.

All entry times should be converted to Long Course times.

Awards: Top 3 in each category will receive awards

Entry Fees: £8.50 per 50m, 100m, 200m

£10.50 per 400m £15 per 800/1500m

Coach Pass: £10 per day

Spectator Entry: £5 per session/£12 all day. Children under 12yrs - Free

Entries open: Monday 1st December 2025 @ 7:00am

Closing Date: Monday 15th December @8:00pm or when the meet is full













Eligibility for entry:

- 1. All swimmers must be:
 - a. 9 years or over for 50m, 100m and 200m events.
 - b. 10 years or over for 400m Freestyle/IM
 - c. 11yrs or over for 800/1500 Freestyle
- 2. Age up date for this meet will be age as on the last day of the competition (4th January 2026)
- 3. Swimmers must be registered with Swim England as competitive swimmers with 'Club Compete' Membership.
- 4. Competitors are either Open/Male or Female. Female category is for birth sex females in accordance with Swim England's Transgender and Non-Binary Competition Policy. By entering the 'Female' category, a swimmer confirms that their birth sex is Female.

Entries:

- 5. Entries should be made by Hy-tek Meet Manager software. Entries not via Hytek will be considered and will incur a £10 administration fee, per entry.
- 6. Entries should be emailed to openmeets@crawleysc.co.uk
- 7. All entries must be within the qualifying times. Para swimmers are exempt from qualifying times but please advise when submitting entries so that their entries are not rejected if outside of qualifying times. Also include if any special arrangements are required (ie. strobe, outside lane).
- 8. 50m (Long Course) entry times should be submitted. 25M (Short Course) conversion times may be used (calculated with ASA Equivalent Performance Tables).
- 9. Improved times will not be accepted after the entries have been received.
- 10. Entries will be accepted on a 'First come first served' basis, and some events and sessions may become fully subscribed sooner than others. *Please do not send payments until accepted entries have been confirmed.*
- 11. Entries will be treated as having been submitted at the time they are received in the openmeets@crawleysc.co.uk email inbox (as determined by the supplier of our email service).
- 12. Crawley swimmers' entries will be considered to have been received first.
- 13. If the gala is nearing capacity, the promoter reserves the right to restrict entries from the last club's received entries. The restrictions will be made from the longest distance events first.
- 14. Rejections will be made when the volume of entries will result in the session exceeding 3 hours or to keep within the venue capacity.
- 15. The Promoter reserves the right to move events to another Session (as a last resort) if a session is oversubscribed and in doing so would allow more entries to be accepted. In this circumstance clubs will be notified and given 48 hours to withdraw (without charge) any swimmers impacted by this change. After 48 hours entries will be confirmed and invoiced.
- 16. If payment is not received by the date specified, the promoter reserves the right to reject the entries in full.
- 17. Heats will be swum with all eligible age groups combined and swimmers will be seeded using submitted entry times to spearhead heats. Winners will be decided on a heat declared winner (HDW) basis.
- 18. 400 Freestyle and 400 IM may be restricted to 4 heats if the meet is oversubscribed.
- 19. 800 Freestyle may be restricted to 5 heats (20 Female/20 Open/Male).
- 20. 1500 Freestyle may be restricted to 4 heats (16 Female/16 Open/Male).













- 21. In the event, after the meet has closed there is space in an event, the Promoter reserves the right to fill with qualifying, scratched swimmers.
- 22. Please note that Swim England Rankings may reject Meet results containing database errors. The errors are often in the accuracy of the entrant's name, the official club name and date of birth. As recommended by the Rankings Department, all entries will be validated using the online entry tools available at www.swimmingresults.org It is therefore recommended that Clubs should use these tools to validate their entries prior to submission.
- 23. Entries that are found to contain errors may be rejected. Re-submitted entries will be deemed to have arrived at the time of re-submission.
- 24. Once entries are accepted, a list of confirmed entries and an invoice will be sent. Payment details will be included on the invoice.
- 25. Individual entries will be considered 7 days after club entries open if the meet is not oversubscribed.
- 26. Individual entries will be considered on a First Come First Served basis.
- 27. Individual entries may be limited to ensure adequate supervision ratios and the smooth running of the meet.
- 28. The Promoter reserves the right to accept late entries and entries outside of the qualifying times if the meet is undersubscribed.
- 29. Where a swimmer's entry time is faster than the applicable Upper Qualifying Times, they will be entered as an Exhibition Swim (EXH). Their times will be sent to rankings, but they will not be eligible for medals.
- 30. On the Day Time Trials may be accepted (for swimmers already attending the meet) at the Promoter's discretion where there is space in a heat (additional heats may be added if time within the session allows). There will be a charge per entry which must be paid at the time of entry (£10 for 50/100/200m events and £12 for 400m events, £16.50 for 800/1500).
- 31. Swimmers entering as an On the Day Time Trial will not be eligible for awards, however their achieved times will be submitted to rankings.
- 32. Medals will be given to those swimmers who have placed 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each age group. Medals should be collected at the medals desk. Uncollected medals will not be posted.
- 33. If in the exceptional circumstances it is not possible to configure the pool for a long course competition, the competition shall run as a short course competition. In these circumstances no refunds will be given.

Withdrawals:

- 34. An online withdrawal system will be in operation. Club specific QR codes will be available to coaches. The QR code needs to be scanned to a smart phone, which links the coach to a withdrawal sheet. This will be sent automatically to the Meet Management Team. Withdrawals must be made no later than 10 minutes after the start of the first warm-up for each session. More information will be sent to accepted clubs once entries are closed and processed.
- 35. There will be no refunds for withdrawals made after 8pm the night before the gala. Medical withdrawals received before this date will be refunded subject to the appropriate certification being emailed to openmeets@crawleysc.co.uk













Coaches & Team Managers:

- 36. A Poolside Pass (coaches and TM's) is £10 per day, which will entitle the holder to admission to all sessions that day, Heat Sheets and poolside refreshments (it does not include lunch). Passes must be displayed at all times, anyone not wearing the appropriate pass will be asked to leave poolside.
- 37. Coaches, Team Managers and Chaperones must obtain and bring with them a Poolside Accreditation which can be obtained here: https://www.swimmingresults.org/member options/index.php (A guide on how to obtain this accreditation can be found on the Open Meets page of our Website: Crawley Swimming Club Open Meets). Poolside accreditation must be produced if requested by a member of the Crawley SC volunteer team. Coaches and Team Managers without a valid Poolside Accreditation will not be permitted in the changing area or poolside.
- 38. Untrained parents without DBS checks are **NOT** allowed poolside.
- 39. Coaches and Team Managers must be club trained personnel and clubs are asked to maintain the minimum supervision ratios for single day of competition for athletes under the age of 18yrs.
- 40. All visiting clubs must abide by the Swim England supervision ratio: "For teams of up to 10 athletes there must be a minimum of 2 supervisory roles in place however, an organisation with less than 3 swimmers may risk assess the situation to enable appropriate support for the athletes" https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/swim-england-relases-supervision-ratios-policy/

Officials:

- 41. All clubs submitting entries are requested to assist in the running of the meet by providing as many Licensed Officials as possible, to cover all sessions. If we do not have enough officials to meet the licensing requirements, the meet could be downgraded to a lower level, and times recorded would reflect the reduced license level on rankings. No refunds will be considered in these circumstances.
- 42. Where possible, we will offer mentoring for trainee officials. This can be requested via our Officials coordinator at: Officials@crawleysc.co.uk
- 43. Officials can sign up at: Swim-Meet

Health & Safety:

- 44. Swimmers must dry themselves and put on appropriate clothing and footwear before leaving the changing rooms to enter other parts of the leisure centre.
- 45. Competitors are advised not to leave their belongings unattended and to ensure that all valuables are placed in a locked locker (a returnable £1 coin). We will be restricting the size of bags taken poolside at this event. Only a small drawstring type bag will be permitted. Oversized bags will be removed and must be placed in lockers. Neither Crawley Swimming Club nor K2 Crawley Leisure Centre can accept responsibility for any property that may be lost or stolen.
- 46. All phones and camera devices must stay inside bags and remain unused within the changing room area. Wavepower's Safeguarding in Changing Rooms policy prohibits all use of mobile phones or any other recording device in a changing area during Swim England regulated activity. Anyone not adhering to this requirement will be asked to leave the premises without a refund. https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/wavepower-child-safeguarding-for-clubs/
- 47. Everyone attending the competition are advised to take reasonable care when taking photographs/videos and are requested to focus on their own children as much as reasonably possible. Personal photographs/videos should avoid including other children, particularly if those images are being shared with family and friends or through social media platforms.













Spectators:

- 48. Meet Programme including results will be available on Meet Mobile. You are reminded that times on the scoreboard are not official and should be used as a guide only. Results are not official until authorised by the Referee.
- 49. Spectator entry is £5 per session, £12 per day. Children 12yrs and under are admitted free.
- 50. All adult spectators are required to wear the designated coloured wristbands for each session. Anyone NOT wearing their wristband may be refused entry.
- 51. Spectator tickets will be available to purchase online prior to the meet from Order Whizz

Conduct:

- 52. Swimmers, Team Managers and Coaches are expected to behave appropriately at all times. This includes treating other clubs, gala volunteers and K2 staff with respect. The Meet Management reserve the right to remove any spectators, swimmers or club personnel from the event if their behaviour is against Swim England or the Leisure Centre rules or will otherwise affect the efficient running of the meet.
- 53. Swimmers are liable for any damage they cause to the pool equipment, particularly the blocks and the back wedges. Stamping on the block or back wedge at the start of a race is unacceptable and any damage caused in doing so will be charged to the swimmer. The swimmer also risks being stood down from the race and for repeated occurrences, being taken out of any remaining events without refund.

Data Protection:

- 54. Meet entries and results will be held on computer. By entering this meet it is deemed that you have given consent to Crawley Swimming Club holding and using your personal information. Swimmer entries and results (including name, age, club, race times, disqualification codes, gender and disability classification) will be made available in the venue, on our website and electronic systems such as Meet Mobile.
- 55. Any matters not covered by these conditions will be dealt with in accordance with the laws of the sport and at the discretion of the Meet Promoter.
- 56. By submitting an entry, participants are deemed to agree with these conditions.









