

East Midlands Regional Updates – 17.02.2023

Interest Registers/Course Requirements

Assistant Coach/Coach Courses: [Requirements register](#)

Land Training (Swimming): [Interest Register](#)

Workshops (including Time to Listen and Team Manager): [Interest Register](#)

*All regional updates and other regional information can be found on our website
www.eastmidlandswimming.org*

As usual the new items are shown at the top of the email with the reminders of previous information sent out below:

NEW – Final Regulations update sessions upcoming

The Swim England Handbook 2023 contains a number of updated regulations in relation to the Club Complaint procedure, Judicial Complaints and Safeguarding and Welfare. We still have two workshops remaining to ask any questions about these changes on Tuesday 21st February and Thursday 23rd February. Register [here](#)

NEW – SwimMark and Club Affiliation Workshops

In order to support clubs in completing the information required for their SwimMark and Club Affiliation renewals two workshops are being delivered online by the national team; Tuesday 18th April and Thursday 11th May. Register [here](#)

NEW – New Good Governance workshops

New 2023 dates have been agreed for the Good Club Governance workshops.

Please use the links below to check the dates and register:

[Chairs information session](#)

[Club Secretary and Membership Officer workshop](#)

[Club Welfare Officer workshop](#)

NEW – Upcoming National Chairs forum

The next forum will be taking place at 6pm on Monday 20th March and Wednesday 17th May. Any Chairs who are interested in attending who do not already receive the joining link please email

clubdevelopment@swimming.org

NEW – Diving Pathway Conference

26th-28th February all details can be found [here](#)

NEW – World Aquatics Swimming Rules update

As you may or may not be aware World Aquatics (FINA) rules for the period 2023-2025 were published on 3 January 2023.

It was subsequently agreed by the three Home Nations that these rules would be implemented for swimming and open water across the board with effect from Friday 10th March 2023.

New CPDs, which form a mandatory part of the officials relicensing process, are being rolled out to educate officials on the changes. The swimming CPD will be delivered face to face/remotely – the plan regarding this will be circulated when available.

Details of the open water CPD will be emailed to all open water officials in due course.

PREVIOUS INFORMATION:

Allianz Sports Fund

The next round of the Allianz Sports Fund for clubs is now open. This time the funding will focus on clubs looking to support and inspire their members to keep playing throughout 2023. Grants of £500, £1,000, £2,000 and £3,000 are available. **Application deadline - 24 February 2023**
Awards are to help sports clubs continue to provide opportunities within their local community.
As part of the application, Allianz require some information in regards to the broker who is nominating them;

First Name: Amanda

Last Name: Wynne-Jones

Email: Amanda.wynne-jones@howdengroup.com

Broker Company Name: Howden Insurance Brokers

Association between broker and club: National Governing Bodies appointed insurance broker

Your local Allianz branch: Birmingham

The details of the application process, who can apply, and the link clubs can apply to is here -

<https://www.allianz.co.uk/broker/support/sport-fund-club-hub.html>

New 2023 Swim England Handbook published.

Including new club complaints process and the revised disciplinary process.

The 2023 Swim England Handbook and the updated WavePower publication are now available. Please read through for updates including revised regulations on safeguarding and welfare, the new club complaints process and the revised disciplinary process.

A number of drop-in sessions have been arranged to enable clubs to raise any questions regarding these updates. Sessions are open to club, county and regional committee / board members, coaches and welfare officers. Bespoke workshops for welfare officers and club chairs have also been organised to highlight the Swim England regulation changes. All workshops can be [booked here](#).

Competitive Starts CPD

This eLearning CPD will equip you with the skills and knowledge to enable a swimmer to perform a competitive start safely. [Find out more here](#).

OMS Role - Head Teacher now available

The role of Head Teacher is now available under the Coach and Teacher area on OMS, the weekly information will start to be sent to this role as well as Head Coach from February onward. Please note new contact reports are created at the start of each month.

Adding/Upgrading membership during renewals

If you have new Club Compete members or members upgrading and they need their membership processing prior to you completing your renewals batch, (to allow them to enter a competition entry online), please make the necessary amendments to OMS and then complete the Fast Track request form which can be found here: <https://forms.swimming.org/fast-track-membership/>. **PLEASE NOTE:** the Membership Team will process any requests to register and upgrade members each Wednesday. Swim England Membership Team renewals@swimming.org

Safeguarding and Equality contact details

- Kevin Suckling, Head of Safeguarding & Welfare – safeguarding@swimming.org

Please send any safeguarding & welfare concerns relating to the safety of a child.

- Mike Hawkes, Head of Diversity & Inclusion - equality@swimming.org

Please send any queries relating to the inclusion of a child in any club, competition questions and any diversity questions including transgender.

- Our Regional Welfare Officer is Ursula Beck: welfare@eastmidlandswimming.org

COMPETITIONS:

Distance Time Trial – entries now available

This is a level 1 licensed time trial to give a distance opportunity to swimmers within the qualifying window for the British Summer Championships and Home Nation Championships. A younger age group has been included to also give experience to these swimmers. All details are available on the [Championship website](#).

Regional Long Course Championships 2023

Entry times and schedules for the East Midlands Long Course Championships are now available via www.emswimchamps.org.uk

FINANCE:

Regional Course & CPD bursaries 2023

The 2023 bursaries applications are now open, all details can be found on the [Regional website](#)
All funding opportunities can be found on our [website](#).

WORKSHOPS / COURSES:

Regional Workshops

For details of upcoming Team Manager workshops [please click here](#).
For Time to Listen courses [please click here](#).

Good Club Governance workshops-

- [Club Secretary and Membership Officer information sessions](#)
- [Club Welfare Officer information session](#)
- [Club Chair's information session](#)

Any Chairs who are interested in attending please email clubdevelopment@swimming.org for the joining details

Coaching courses

All Coaching courses organised for 2023 are now available for bookings on the IOS website.
The following can be found on our [Coach Education web page](#), please ensure this process is used for members rather than booking direct via the IoS webpage:

- **The club offer booking process – including how to redeem the SwimMark voucher**
- Company user guide – Club IoS account use
- Learner user guide

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

SWIMMARK / CLUB AFFILIATION:

SwimMark and Club Affiliation deadlines for 2023

Please see below the Regional deadline dates for clubs SwimMark to be completed

Quarter	Regional Deadline (green ticked on the portal)
2	17 th April 2023
3	17 th July 2023
4	16 th October 2023

If you miss the Regional deadline and are completing a full SwimMark accreditation:

- You will lose your SwimMark accreditation and must have completed the 5 Club Affiliation elements to remain a Swim England affiliated club.

If you miss the Regional Deadline and are completing SwimMark Health Check or Club Affiliation:

- You will no longer be an affiliated club of Swim England.

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Instagram: [@swim_east_midlands](#)

Twitter: [@SwimEastMidland](#)

Facebook: [@SwimEastMidlands](#)

Regional Website: <https://eastmidlandswimming.org>

Many thanks,
Fiona and Helen.
Swim England East Midlands