

## **CEEA OPEN WATER SWIMMING JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS**

In addition to the CEEA General Event Rules the following

### **REGULATIONS**

shall apply:

#### **J-OW 1 ORGANISATION**

J-OW 1.1 The Junior Championships shall be held every year.

J-OW 1.2 The Organising Member and the venue where the Championships will be held shall be decided by the CEEA Bureau and circulated by the CEEA Office.

J-OW 1.3 Six (6) Delegates, one (1) to be appointed by the Bureau and five (5) by the CEEA Technical Open Water Swimming Committee (CEEA TOWSC) which will consist of Technical Delegate, Safety Delegate and three referees who will be responsible for and supervising the organisation and the correct conduct of the competitions according to CEEA Rules and Regulations. They will take action on all matters arising on site at the competitions which require an immediate decision.

J-OW 1.4 The CEEA Delegate(s) shall consult the Organising Member in all matters concerning safety and security regarding who shall provide safety cover.

#### **J-OW 2 EVENTS & PARTICIPATION**

J-OW 2.1 Age Groups as at 31st December of the year of the competition

- a) 12-13 years Boys and Girls
- b) 14-15 years Boys and Girls
- c) 16-17 years Boys and Girls
- d) 18-19 years Boys and Girls

J-OW 2 .2 Individual Events are:

- a) 12-13 years 2.5 km Boys and Girls
- b) 14-15 years 5 km Boys and Girls
- c) 16-17 years 7.5 km Boys and Girls
- d) 18-19 years 10 km Boys and Girls

J-OW 2 .3 Competition Programme

- a) Day 1: 12-13 years 2.5 km / PM 14-15 years 5 km
- b) Day 2: 16-17 years 7.5 km / PM 18-19 years 10 km
- c) Day 3: 12-15 years Relay Event / PM OPEN Relay Event

J-OW 2 .4 Team Relay Events

- Each swimmer shall complete a lap of 1.25 km.
- Swimmers may swim in any sequence, but may only swim once.
- All teams will start together.
- Starting order on the platform will be by random draw.

There shall be a change-over zone of a minimum of 5 m in width.

Change-overs shall be made with the following swimmer in the water in their starting position holding the platform. Change-overs shall be made with an obvious visible touch between the swimmers making the change.

- Swimmers may enter the change-over zone when the previous swimmer is approaching the zone and leave the water immediately at the conclusion of their lap.
- Swimmers shall all wear team caps of the same color and style.

#### J-OW 2 .5 Entries

- Team event consists of 4 swimmers, 2 males & 2 females.
- One Team per Member per event.
- Teams events in 12-15 years.

Swimmers may only swim one team event.

#### **J-OW 3 FORMAT**

##### J-OW 3.1 Ranking

There shall be separate rankings for men and women.

##### J-OW 3.2 Championships Trophy

The Trophy shall be awarded to the Member obtaining the highest number of points in all events according to the following system:

- 1st: 20 points;
- 2nd: 17 points;
- 3rd: 15 points;
- 4th: 14 points;

and so on until 16th place which receives 2 points. All other swimmers finishing the race within the time limit shall receive one (1) point.

#### **J-OW 3.3 Disqualification**

J-OW 3.3.1 If in the opinion of the Chief Referee or Referees, any swimmer or swimmer's approved representative or escort safety craft takes advantage by committing any violation of the rules or by making intentional contact with any swimmer the following proceeding shall apply:

1st Infringement:

A **yellow flag** and a card bearing the swimmer's number will be raised to indicate and to inform the swimmer that he is in violation of the Rules.

2nd Infringement:

A **red flag** and a card bearing the swimmer's number will be raised to indicate and to inform the swimmer that he is for the second time in violation of the Rules. The swimmer will be disqualified. He must leave the water immediately, be placed in an escort craft and take no further part in the competition.

J-OW 3.3.2 If in the opinion of the Referee, the action of a swimmer or an escort craft is deemed to be "unsporting", the Referee shall disqualify the swimmer concerned immediately according to FINA Rules.

J-OW 3.3.3 Swimmers finishing a race with intent in an equal time will be disqualified.

#### **J-OW 4 ENTRIES**

J-OW 4.1 **Preliminary Entries** shall be submitted to the Organising Member, with copy to the CEEA Office, no later than the date circulated by the CEEA Office.

A Member having made a Preliminary Entry may withdraw up to the date circulated by the CEEA office

J-OW 4.2 **Named Entries** shall be submitted to the Organising Member no later than the given date, with copy to the CEEA Office.

J-OW 4.3 Members may withdraw a named entry up to 10 days prior to competition.

J-OW 4.4 A fee of sixty-five (65) EURO shall be paid to CEEA for each entered non-starting competitor.

#### **J-OW 5 ACCREDITATION**

J-OW 5.1 Members entering the Championships will receive accreditation for:

- a) the President of the Member;
- b) the Head of the Delegation;
- c) one medical person; a second medical person if six or more competitors have been entered;
- d) team staff members: the same number as entered swimmers.

J-OW 5.2 Team staff members include everybody servicing the team: Team Leaders, Chaperones, Coaches, Physiotherapists, Interpreters, etc. (not officials such as judges, referees, etc.).

### **J-OW 6 OFFICIALS**

J-OW 6.1 Members may nominate one or two officials qualified from one of the current FINA lists. Nominations shall be submitted to the CEEA Office no later than the date circulated by the CEEA Office. Officials approved by the CEEA TOWSC are on the costs of the nominating Member.

J-OW 6.2 The Organising Member shall supply all the other officials.

J-OW 6.3 The CEEA Technical Open Water Committee will appoint all Technical Officials.