

AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION,

WEST MIDLAND REGION

CONDITIONS RELATING TO SPEED SWIMMING RECORDS

(REVISED ON & EFFECTIVE FROM, 07 JANUARY 2016)

1. Records may be claimed for performances in Short Course (25m) and Long Course (50m) pools; and for Senior (open age) and Junior (under 16 on day of swim) categories. They must be achieved in open competition, or in an advertised race against time. ASA Technical Rules 505.1 & 505.2 shall apply, with the following exception:-
 - a) Long Course Age Group records (13 & under, 14, 15, 16, 17, & 18) will not be introduced until such time as the BS/ASA ranking database is able to both identify and notify these records automatically.
2. Performances must be achieved under approved automatic electronic timing.
3. To be eligible to claim a record a competitor (or team) must have entered the competition under the name of a club affiliated to the West Midland Region (WMR), or in the case of representative competition* be registered member(s) of such a club; and be otherwise eligible within the meaning of ASA law.
4. Records will be credited against the club in whose name entry to the competition has been made; or:-
5. If achieved in representative competition*, against the name of the competitor's 'Rank' club as shown on the BS/ASA public access on-line *Home Country Membership Check (HCMC)*, on the day of the swim or as soon as possible thereafter. The 'Rank' club must be one affiliated to ASA WMR.
6. In all cases eligibility will require the competitor's 'Fee Paying' club, as shown on *HCMC*, to be a club affiliated to ASA WMR. **N.B!** The competitor in whose name the claim is being made must have held continuous Cat-2 membership of such a club (or clubs); for a period of not less than 60 days prior to the date of the swim which is the subject of the claim.
7. Records achieved in Midland Regional Championships (WMR or combined WMR/EMR) will be identified and ratified without the need for claims to be submitted. From time to time the Records Officer will also be pro-active in monitoring other results, but to be certain any records resulting are not overlooked; responsibility for identification must rest with the Swimmer/Parent-Guardian/Coach. For performances at all levels of competition, the official claim form must be used. This can be downloaded from the WMR website (Rev-3, issued 07/01/2016), and must be completed and returned to the Records Officer within 28 days of the swim; together with proof as indicated. (www.westmidlandswimming.org).
8. Details of new records will be published via periodic updates to the WMR website. A *Certificate of Achievement* will be issued for all records. Once ratified and published a record will not be replaced until bettered at a later date; other than instances where ineligibility has been proven subsequent to ratification.
9. All record claims will be subject to ratification by the Records Officer, who shall also decide on any issue of eligibility not covered by the above.

N.B. * Representative competition is defined as any English Schools Swimming Association (ESSA) or British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS) competition, any Inter-County or Inter-Regional competition, any competition anywhere in the World when competing as a member of a GB or England team; or any overseas competition when temporarily based overseas.