



# 2026 Somerset School Qualifier Meet

You are cordially invited to attend the 2026 Somerset School Qualifier Meet.

<b>Date</b>	31 January 2026
<b>Time</b>	8.00am warm-up for 9.00am start
<b>Nomination fee</b>	<b>\$7.00 (incl GST) per individual event</b> + associated Swim Central fees. Includes digital program. \$2 per swimmer, technical official levy is also a requirement of entry
<b>Nominations close</b>	<b>Friday 23 January at 11:59pm</b> All entries must be submitted through <a href="#">swim central</a> No manual entries will be accepted, except approved visiting swimmers, as below
<b>Entry Cap</b>	<b>NOTE:</b> this meet is capped at 5 hours. Entries will close on Swim Central once cap is met. A waitlist may be included, if desired.
<b>Venue &amp; Gate entry</b>	Somerset College Pool – Somerset College, Somerset Drive, Mudgeeraba, 4213 Gate entry costs for spectators - \$4.00 including GST. All coaches, technical officials, volunteers & team managers (where applicable) will have their entry subsidised by Somerset Swim Club and will be required to be marked off upon entry.
<b>Spectator Attendance</b>	There are no restrictions for spectator attendance. Swimming Gold Coast encourages people considered high risk (aged 70+, have pre-existing medical or auto-immune conditions etc.) not to attend the swim meet.
<b>Late entries</b>	<b>Late entries WILL NOT be accepted, under any circumstances.</b>
<b>Age Requirements</b>	Age as of date of meet. <b>9yrs</b> is the minimum age for this club meet.
<b>Status</b>	This is a Swimming Queensland and Swimming Gold Coast sanctioned Qualifying meet.
<b>Code of conduct</b>	By entering this swim meet all swimmers and attendees agree to adhere to the Swimming Gold Coast code of conduct. The code of conduct can be found at the following link. <a href="#">CODE OF CONDUCT LINK</a>
<b>Backstroke Ledges</b>	Backstroke ledges will not be available to swimmers on the day of the meet.
<b>Entry Eligibility</b>	<b>All Swimmers must be fully registered as a Competitive Swimmer on Swim Central to nominate for this 2026 Somerset school Qualifier Meet.</b> 'Recreational' swimmers are ineligible to enter.
<b>Visiting swimmers</b>	Swimmers registered to Gold Coast Clubs that are members of another Federation, or from Interstate, are permitted to swim. A member of another Federation must be shown in the program with a (V) beside their first name and the Federation they are registered with. Inter-State swimmers (not members of another Federation) must be shown in the program with a (V) beside their surname and the club they are registered with. Swimmers must be registered in SAL Swim Central and be able to enter via the online entry form. There will be no manual entries accepted.
<b>Entry Cap</b>	Swimmers are only able to enter a maximum of 6 events at this meet.



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<b>Events</b>	<p>As per the attached Program of Events.</p> <p>This meet to be conducted as timed finals. If less than 3 nominations are received for an event, Somerset Swim Club reserves the right to cancel the event and refund nominations. Somerset Swim Club, in consultation with the chief referee, also reserves the right, on the day, to combine heats and / or events.</p>
<b>Withdrawals / Refunds</b>	<p>Any withdrawals requested prior to the closing of nominations will be fully refunded through Swim Central. After nominations have closed, all withdrawals MUST be accompanied with a medical certificate in order to receive a refund.</p>
<b>Rules</b>	<p>This meet will be conducted under the rules as documented within:</p> <p>"Swimming Queensland General Rules", "Swimming Queensland Championship By-Laws", "FINA" and "Swimming Australia Limited" rules</p> <p>Competitors in the first two events should be behind the blocks in the self-marshalling zone (holding area) prior to the scheduled starting time of the session. In addition, all competitors should be in the self-marshalling zone (holding area) 4 heats prior to their own heat for events up to 200m.</p>
<b>Technical Officials</b>	<p>All technical officials will be contacted to register their availability, for either day, or both by Chief Referee, Sharon Wicking.</p> <p>Any persons interested in learning about the possibilities of becoming a Technical Official, please make contact with the Swimming Gold Coast Chief Referee Sharon Wicking at: <a href="mailto:chiefreferee@swimminggoldcoast.org.au">chiefreferee@swimminggoldcoast.org.au</a> for communication on the opportunities available and any training requirements.</p>
<b>Further Communication</b>	<p>In the week preceding the meet, further relevant information will be provided to all participants and attendees within the program. This will include the entry list, timeline and finalised meet program, which will outline all meet specific requirements, seating allocations, food availability, club volunteer requirements etc.</p>
<b>Swimmer Check-in Requirements</b>	<p>Not required for this meet.</p>
<b>Marshalling</b>	<p>All swim meets within the Gold Coast region are self-marshalling.</p>
<b>Meet Mobile</b>	<p>Results will be published throughout this meet to the Meet Mobile application.</p> <p>Please note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Results published via Meet Mobile ARE NOT OFFICIAL and should be used as a guide only.</li><li>• Official meet results are printed by officials during the meet and posted in a prominent position.</li></ul> <p>Official results are published within 48hrs of the completion of a meet on the Swimming Gold Coast website and Swim Central.</p>
<b>Results</b>	<p>As the meet is a Qualifying meet, no medals or age champions will be awarded.</p>
<b>Timekeepers &amp; Volunteers &amp; TO's</b>	<p>Timekeepers, Technical Officials, check starters and volunteers may be required to be provided by each club, where available. A schedule will be provided to the clubs by the Somerset Swim Club prior to the meet.</p>
<b>Photography &amp; images</b>	<p>In nominating for this meet, swimmers agree that they may be photographed by Swimming Queensland and/or Swimming Gold Coast approved photographers. Any</p>



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	images may be displayed for viewing and purchasing on site during the Meet and on the photographer's secure website after the Meet. They may also be used by Swimming Queensland, Swimming Gold Coast and affiliated clubs at their discretion.
<b>Warmup</b>	Warm up will commence as follows: 8.00am Dive starts and pacework will be allocated for Lanes 0 and 9.
<b>Food</b>	A BBQ will be operating on the day and will be serving from 9:00am onwards (no breakfast items will be available). Drinks and food will be available on the day including coffee and snow cones.
<b>Force Majeure</b>	In the case of force majeure preventing or resulting in the Somerset Swim Club being cancelled, refund of registration fees will be at the discretion of the Somerset Swim Club.
<b>Pool Compliance</b>	The Somerset College Pool has undertaken compliance testing and met all current competitive pool standards, as set by Swimming Australia. Gold Coast pool certifications can be viewed <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>Competitive Dive Policy</b>	All swimming competitors and/or their parents, accept that, by nominating for this event, that they have read and understand Swimming Australia's "Dive Entry for Competitive Swimming Policy" and the swimmer(s) meet the dive competency levels outlined in that policy. This policy can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>Copy of results</b>	A copy of results will be available on the SGC website following the meet as well as the Swimming Australia Results Central database – <a href="https://www.swimminggoldcoast.org.au/meetresults">https://www.swimminggoldcoast.org.au/meetresults</a> <a href="#">Results Central</a>

For any enquiries, please contact:

- Meet Director – [fbutcher@somerset.qld.edu.au](mailto:fbutcher@somerset.qld.edu.au)

**No manual TM entry files will be accepted (except Internationals).**

- Payment **MUST BE COMPLETED** during event registration via the swim central online entries process. You will receive a purchase order confirmation from Swim Central as proof of entry.



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## PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Event No. Boys	Event	Event No. Girls
	<b>8:00am warm-up / 9:00am commence</b>	
1	9yrs & over 200m IM	2
3	9yrs & over 50m Butterfly	4
5	9yrs & over 100m Backstroke	6
7	11yrs & over 200m Breaststroke	8
9	9yrs & over 50m Freestyle	10
11	9yrs & over 100m Butterfly	12
13	11yrs & over 200m Backstroke	14
15	9yrs & over 50m Breaststroke	16
17	9yrs & over 100m Freestyle	18
19	11yrs & over 200m Butterfly	20
21	9yrs & over 50m Backstroke	22
23	9yrs & over 100m Breaststroke	24
25	11yrs & over 200m Freestyle	26