



2024 Somerset National Qualifier Meet

You are cordially invited to attend the 2024 Somerset National Qualifier Meet.

Date	24 February 2024
Time	8.00am warm-up for 9.00am start
Nomination fee	\$7.00 (incl GST) per individual event + associated Swim Central fees. Includes digital program. \$2 per swimmer, technical official levy is also a requirement of entry
Nominations close	Thursday 15 February at 11:59pm All entries must be submitted through swim central No manual entries will be accepted, except approved visiting swimmers, as below
Entry Cap	NOTE: this meet is capped at 5 hours. Entries will close on Swim Central once cap is met. A waitlist may be included, if desired.
Venue & Gate entry	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.
Spectator Attendance	There are no restrictions for spectator attendance. Swimming Gold Coast encourages people considered high risk (aged 70+, have pre-existing medical or autoimmune conditions etc.) not to attend the swim meet.
Late entries	Late entries WILL NOT be accepted, under any circumstances.
Age Requirements	Age as of date of meet. 12yrs is the minimum age for this club meet.
Status	This is a Swimming Queensland and Swimming Gold Coast sanctioned Qualifying meet.
Code of conduct	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. CODE OF CONDUCT LINK
Backstroke Ledges	Backstroke ledges will be made available to swimmers upon request (on the day of the meet).
Entry Eligibility	All Swimmers must be fully registered as a Competitive Swimmer on Swim Central to nominate for this 2024 Somerset National Qualifier Meet. 'Recreational' swimmers are ineligible to enter.
Visiting swimmers	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.



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Entry Cap	Swimmers are only able to enter a maximum of 6 events at this meet.
Events	As per the attached Program of Events. 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.
Withdrawals / Refunds	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.
Rules	This meet will be conducted under the rules as documented within: "Swimming Queensland General Rules", "Swimming Queensland Championship By-Laws", "FINA" and "Swimming Australia Limited" rules 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 and 2 heats for 400m and over events.
Technical Officials	All technical officials will be contacted to register their availability, for either day, or both by Chief Referee, Sharon Wicking. 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: chiefreferee@swimminggoldcoast.org.au for communication on the opportunities available and any training requirements.
Further Communication	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.
Swimmer Check-in Requirements	Events of 400m and over (400m IM, 400m Free, 800m Free and 1500m Free) require swimmers to confirm their intention to swim. This must be completed at the Help Desk a minimum of one hour prior to the published start time of the relevant event (confirmation times will be published in the program). Any swimmer (either by themselves, coach or team manager) who has not confirmed their intention to swim one hour prior to the published start time for the relevant event WILL be deemed a withdrawal and the event will be reseeded
Marshalling	All swim meets within the Gold Coast region are self-marshalling.
Meet Mobile	Results will be published throughout this meet to the Meet Mobile application. Please note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results published via Meet Mobile ARE NOT OFFICIAL and should be used as a guide only. • Official meet results are printed by officials during the meet and posted in a prominent position. Official results are published within 48hrs of the completion of a meet on the Swimming Gold Coast website and Swim Central.



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Results	As the meet is a Qualifying meet, no medals or age champions will be awarded.
Timekeepers & Volunteers & TO's	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.
Photography & images	In nominating for this meet, swimmers agree that they may be photographed by Swimming Queensland and/or Swimming Gold Coast approved photographers. Any 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.
Warmup	Warmup will commence as follows: Saturday Session: 8.00am Dive starts and pacework will be allocated for Lanes 0 and 9.
Food	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.
Force Majeure	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.
Pool Compliance	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 here .
Competitive Dive Policy	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 here .
Copy of results	A copy of results will be available on the SGC website following the meet as well as the Swimming Australia Results Central database – https://www.swimminggoldcoast.org.au/meetresults Results Central

For any enquiries, please contact:

- Meet Director – 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
	8:00am warm-up / 9:00am commence	
1	12 & Over 200m Freestyle	2
3	12 & Over 100m Breaststroke	4
5	12 & Over 400m IM	6
7	12 & Over 50m Freestyle	8
9	12 & Over 50m Breaststroke	10
11	12 & Over 200m Backstroke	12
13	12 & Over 100m Butterfly *15 min for swim off if required	14
15	12 & Over 400m Freestyle	16
17	12 & Over 50m Butterfly	18
19	12 & Over 200m IM	20
21	12 & Over 200m Breaststroke	22
23	12 & Over 100m Freestyle	24
25	12 & Over 200m Butterfly	26
27	12 & Over 50m Backstroke	28
29	12 & Over 100m Backstroke	30
31	12 & Over 800m Freestyle	32
33	12 & Over 1500m Freestyle	34