

SOUTH SHORE SWIMMING CLUB RACE ENTRY AND TIMEKEEPING POLICY

Help the Club help your kids

Every club is run purely by volunteers (usually parents or guardians). The work needed to keep the club running smoothly for all of our wonderful swimmers should not be left to a small band of volunteers, who may otherwise find it difficult to spread themselves across the many duties necessary in the smooth running of a swim club. So, **please**, if you see that help is needed at any club event please step in and offer to help. If all parents willingly do this, club functions will run smoothly, efficiently and quickly. You will be welcomed with open arms. Helping out is also intrinsically rewarding and it will help you feel part of a greater whole.

Entries

Apart from meets with online entries, external swim meet entries must be submitted by the South Shore Swimming Club closing date and no late entries will be processed. The South Shore Swimming Club closing dates are advertised by the Meet Entries Officer and usually also in the club newsletter, and are generally one week before the published closing date in the Swimming WA Almanac.

Volunteer rosters

At each external swim meet, our club is allocated duties (such as time-keeping, selling programs and refreshments) depending on how many South Shore members have entered. A roster is produced before each meet and all South Shore entrants must provide a helper to fulfil the allocated duties. It is your obligation to be available for this role at every competition at which your child competes. This generally only involves making yourself available for 1 to 1.5 hours and the duties are easy.

Our Timekeeping Officer will email the roster to the parents of those attending. If for some reason a timeslot cannot be filled it is your responsibility to arrange someone else to do it for you (such as arranging with a friend for them to do your shift in exchange for you doing an extra shift for them next time).

Please be aware that making up the roster is generally time consuming and much more complex than it looks (as the Timekeeping Officer has to try and balance competing needs of various parents to try to be fair to everyone), so please be courteous and helpful when making requests (try and avoid doing so if possible). Also please note that having a younger child to supervise is not a good reason not to do your shift – please leave younger children with friends or grandparents if possible and don't bring them along.

Should a swimmer not be able to provide a parent or nominated person on the day of the race meet, they may lose selection preference at interclub meets and/or access to funding for interstate meets.