

Leinster Future Challengers Meet #1 2025/ 2026 Season

Licence No: 2S-25/26-LXXX

Dear Club Secretary,

Enclosed please find entry details for the Leinster Future Challengers Meet (Level Two).

This meet is open to all swimmers registered with Leinster clubs aged between 10 and 14 (as of Dec 31st 2025). Events offered are all the 50m and 100m events together with the 200m Freestyle and the 200m IM, with mixed relays also. The meet is part of the Future Challengers series, and events for the younger swimmers are concentrated in the morning session to allow for a shorter gala for this group.

Venue	National Aquatic Centre, Abbottstown, Dublin					
Format	SHORT COURSE					
Time	Sunday 5 th October 2025					
	Session 1: warm up 7.45am start 9.00am					
	Session 2: warm up 11.30am start 12.00 Noon					
Fee	€10 per Individual Event. €20 per Relay Team					
Payment	Payment by Bank Transfer Name of Account: "Swim Ireland Leinster Region" IBAN: IE59AIBK93251559772204 BIC: AIBKIE2D When transferring directly, please reference the club and gala on the transfer narrative, and email the treasurer to confirm transfer at leinstertreasurer@swimireland.ie. As it may not be possible to accept all entries, fees due will be advised to					
Eligibility	Clubs on final acceptance of entries. Only swimmers registered with Leinster clubs, aged between 10 and 14, are eligible to enter this gala. Ages are as of December 31st 2025					
Entries	Gala Sec, Leinster Swimming. Entries, on Hy-Tek only . Entries should be emailed to <u>leinstergalasecretary@swimireland.ie</u>					
Entries by:	Friday September 26 th 2025					
Entry Limits	Swimmers can enter no more than 5 (five) individual events in the meet and no more than three events per session.					
Entry Considerations	1. Athletes should be able to complete the race distance with the given stroke/s and have proven this in at least one meet/time trial prior to entry;					
	2. Athletes should be capable of executing the stroke/s legally;					
	3. Athletes should be capable of executing legal turns and good streamlining;					
	4. Athletes should only enter events on the recommendation from their coach					
Consideration Times	5. There are no Consideration Times for this Meet					





Important entry conditions	Swimmers who compete in this meet may not compete in the Leinster Aspiring Champions meet scheduled for October 18 th and 19 th 2025. In general, for each half-season (short course and long course) a swimmer may swim in either the Future Challenges series or the Aspiring Champions series, but not both. Swimmers may swim in the Future Challengers series for the short course season and then progress to the Aspiring Champions series for the long course season. A fine of €250 will be imposed on a club found to enter a swimmer in both the Future Challenger and Aspiring Champions meets in the same part of the season (short course / long Course)
Scratches	Scratches for this gala will close at 5pm on the evening before the gala; that is 5pm on Saturday 4 th October 2025. Scratches to be sent via email to <u>leinstergalasecretary@swimireland.ie</u>
Relays	Clubs may collaborate to enter relays. Clubs may also enter more than one relay team per event. 12-yr olds may swim in either the 10-12 relays or the 12-14 relays, but not both.
Tech Suit Policy	Tech Suits will <u>not</u> be permitted at the Future Challenger Series Meets irrespective of age. We ask clubs to ensure coaches, parents and athletes are fully aware of the policy so that we avoid any negative experiences on poolside. Full details of the policy can be found on the <u>Swim Ireland website</u> .
Note on times achieved	Please note that this is a Level Two meet. Times achieved in the Future Challenger Meets can be used to qualify for Regional Age Group Championships (SC and LC) but <u>not</u> to qualify for Irish Summer National Age Group Championships.
Heats	Clubs will be notified in advance as to any changes to the competition. Numbers of heats may be curtailed to allow the gala to be run off in a reasonable time-frame.
Session Start Times	The Start Times of Sessions, and the structure of the Sessions, as indicated in the Order of Events may be changed to accommodate the number of entries received and to fit these within the logistics of running the Meet in a manner that complies with Swim Ireland regulations relating to Session duration etc.
Officials	Clubs must provide officials in a ratio of one official to every four swimmers for each session (this includes the senior gala officials). A rota for club officials will be circulated as early as possible in advance of the meet.
Swim Ireland Registration Number	A Swim Ireland registration number must be included with every entry. This number is the unique identifier of every swimmer in the national database.





Entry Name Protocols	The results from this Championship Meet will be added to the Swim Ireland and Leinster databases. To ensure that results get attributed correctly to swimmers, please ensure the format of names within your Team Manager (or similar) database, and provided with entries, is as follows:		
	All those with a Mac/Mc surname need to have a space after the Mac/Mc (e.g. Mac Dougal, Mc Donnell);		
	All those with an O need to be written as e.g. O'Donnell (no space before or after the apostrophe). This is irrespective of whether or not that is how the swimmer normally writes their name.		
Complaints	Clubs are reminded that the only club representatives who are permitted to enter a complaint or to otherwise approach the Referee, Meet Director or Gala Recorder are Coaches and Team Managers		
Code of Conduct	It is a pre-condition to a swimmer being entered for a Leinster Region gala that all parents / guardians who attend and/or assume officiating duties (timekeeping etc) have consented to be subject to the SI Code of Conduct.		
Data Protection	Leinster Region, Swim Ireland uses a computer database to manage entries and results of swimming meets, and also to manage competition records of swimmers. By submitting and accepting entries to the meet consent is hereby given, as required by the Data Protection Act, to the holding of personal information on Leinster Region computer databases. Personal data held for each swimmer will be name, date of birth, club, Swim Ireland registration number, entry times, achieved times and DQ codes. Certain elements of this data (name, club, age, times, achieved times) may be made public prior to, during or after the meet (e.g. programmes, results, Meet Mobile, etc).		





ORDER OF EVENTS SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER 2025

Session 1 - warm up 7.45am, start 9.00am

Event	Gender	Age-Group	Distance	Stroke
1	Mixed	10-12	4 x 25m	Medley Relay
2	Girls	10-14	100m	I.M.
3	Open	10-14	100m	I.M.
4	Girls	10-14	50m	Breaststroke
5	Open	10-14	50m	Breaststroke
6	Girls	10-14	50m	Freestyle
7	Open	10-14	50m	Freestyle
8	Girls	10-14	50m	Backstroke
9	Open	10-14	50m	Backstroke
10	Girls	10-14	50m	Butterfly
11	Open	10-14	50m	Butterfly
12	Girls	10-14	100m	Freestyle
13	Open	10-14	100m	Freestyle
14	Mixed	10-12	4 x 25m	Freestyle Relay

Mixed 4 x 25m Relay: 10-12yrs – must be at least 1 male and 1 female with a maximum of one 12-year-old on the team, and all swimmers must be competing in the competition. Clubs may collaborate to enter relays. Clubs may also enter more than one relay team per event.





Session 2 - warm up 11.30pm, start 12.00pm

Event	Gender	Age-Group	Distance	Stroke
15	Mixed	12-14	4 x 25m	Medley Relay
16	Open	11-14	200m	I.M
17	Girls	11-14	200m	I.M.
18	Open	11-14	100m	Breaststroke
19	Girls	11-14	100m	Breaststroke
20	Open	11-14	100m	Backstroke
21	Girls	11-14	100m	Backstroke
22	Open	11-14	200m	Freestyle
23	Girls	11-14	200m	Freestyle
24	Open	12-14	100m	Butterfly
25	Girls	12-14	100m	Butterfly
26	Mixed	12-14	4 x 25m	Freestyle Relay

Mixed 4 x 25m Relay:

12 -14yrs - must be at least 1 male and 1 female. 12-yr olds competing in relay teams in Session One are not allowed to also compete in Session Two relays. Clubs may collaborate to enter joint teams for relays. Clubs may also enter more than one relay team per event.



