



Western Cape Aquatics B-Championship

You are cordially invited to participate in the Western Cape Aquatics B-Championship 2026, incorporating the WC School's Trials. Hosted from 6-8 February 2026 at the Klein Drakenstein Swimming Pool in Paarl.

Competition Rules:

- The event will adhere to WORLD AQUATICS rules.
- Participation is reserved for fully capitated swimmers meeting the specified criteria.
- Age will be determined as of the first day of the championship.
- Please ensure adherence to the detailed entry guidelines and deadlines specified below:

Entry Guidelines:

- Entries must be submitted by Districts to WCA by noon on 29 January 2026.
- Qualifying times are attached to the invitation & on the Standards file circulated.
- Swimmers may enter as many events as they want, they must enter at least 1 event with a qualifying time.
- Entries with no-times will not be accepted, including relays. Times from 1 May 2025 only.
- Only two relay teams per club per event are allowed.
- PLEASE RENAME **ALL FILES** TO START WITH YOUR CLUB/District ABBREVIATION.
 - TM Zip file for athlete's entries.
 - Pdf entry report including **proof of times** and B Champs **time standards** from 1 May 2025.
 - Pdf entry fee report.
 - Pdf relay report.
 - List of officials completed on officials Excel form:
This form must accompany the entries. Officials must be qualified and registered, no probation officials. Entries will not be accepted without the officials attached on the correct form & **MUST include SSA Registration numbers**.
Clubs who do not submit officials with their entries will not be entered in the gala.
- All Technical Officials must be correctly attired: white shirts, navy trousers or skirts and closed white shoes.
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| Entry fee per event | R80 per event |
| Entry fee per relay | R160 per relay |
| Surcharge per swimmer | R100 per swimmer |
- Late entries will be accepted from 1-5 February 2026 @ x 5 original entry fee.
- Extra late entries @ x 10 original entry fee if there is a lane open.
- Payment via Districts to WCA bank account: WCA will invoice Districts.



Relays

- Two (2) teams per club may enter.
- Relay names must be submitted to the desk by the time communicated to the clubs.
- Swimmers may age up to swim relays but may only swim in one relay event ie in their own age group category or in a higher age group category.
- Swimmers who take part in the WCA B-Champs in individual events may take part in the relays at WC A-Champs

Competition Format:

- Heats will be swum slowest to fastest as per the circulated program.
- Timed Finals will be swum in the following ages: 13 & under, 14 & over.
- Medals will be awarded in the following age groups: 11 & under, 12-13, 14-15, 16 & over.

General Information:

- Clubs are requested to see that the area is kept neat, bins will be placed & cleaned regularly.
- No flash photography during the start of a race.
- We request everyone to please remain silent during the start of a race.
- NO alcohol is permitted on the premises. NO fire or gas braais are permitted on the premises.
- The pool grounds are a NO-SMOKING ZONE.
- Only Team Managers are allowed at the recording table.

Other Regulations:

- Swimmers who qualify for 2 or more WCA A-Champs events, may not take part in WCA B-Champs.
- If a swimmers qualifies for 1 WCA A-Champs event, they may choose to swim at either WCA A or B Champs.
- A swimmer who is 10 years & younger with a WCA A-Champs qualifying time, on the first day of WCA A-Champs, may choose to participate at either WCA A or B Champs, irrespective if they age up between the 2 champs, they may not compete at both.
- Swimmers who take part in the WCA B-Champs in individual events may take part in the relays at WC A-Champs. BUT Swimmers who take part in WCA A-Champs in individual events may not take part in relays at the WCA B-Champs.
- Swimmers will be fined R200 if they do not scratch timeously from a final or prelim.
- Swimmers will be fined R300 for a NO SHOW if they do not scratch timeously from the event & will not be allowed to compete further until the fine has been paid.
- Water polo players, synchro swimmers & divers may enter WCA B-Champs provided they meet the qualifying criteria.
- The entry fee will be forfeited for any entry received that does not comply.
- NO Fins are allowed during warm-up
- Please exit the pool via the stairs. NO climbing out over the touch pads.



Protests:

- Protests will only be accepted from Team managers, completed on a protest form (available at tech table) with a R500 Protest Fee lodged with the Admin Office within 20 minutes of the announcement of the disqualification.
- NO media footage or photos will be permitted.
- In the case of a dispute, the referees' decision is final.

Admission to the Pool:

Tickets for admission: (pre-ordered on the sheet attached, only weekend tickets) **NO CASH, CARDS only**

WEEKEND ADULT TICKET:	R250
WEEKEND KIDS TICKET:	R100 (sold at the gate)
SESSION ADULT TICKET:	R80 (sold at the gate)
SESSION KIDS TICKET:	R30 (sold at the gate)
Under 10 Free	

Team Managers' Instructions:

- All Team Managers are to collect your TM pack before the 1st session of the gala. This will be available from 09:30am on Thursday.
- This will be the last opportunity for late entries, subject to a late entry fee of 10x (ten times) the original entry fee and the availability of a lane in the event.
- Scratchings for the first session can be done until 09:30 for the 1st session; thereafter scratchings will close at the end of each session for the next session.
- ALL scratchings must be done via the link distributed with the email.
- Team Managers must have their accreditation with them when approaching the recording table with queries.
- TM packs will contain the following:
 - Documentation: relay confirmation forms, entry lists.
 - Programs for the first session that does not include session 1 scratchings (thereafter available at the table for collection by TM's)
- There will be a short opening ceremony on Saturday morning, at 9:00.



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Programs & Results:

- Each club will receive 2 free programs for their team manager and coaches.
- Meet mobile will be activated.
- Meet mobile results are unofficial**

Pool Access:

- Clubs are kindly requested to be considerate towards one another with regard to space.
- Limited space is available.
- Clubs will be permitted 1 pool facing gazebo, more than one must be set up behind the pool side one.
- Gates will open 30 minutes before the warm-up session.
- Additional parking will be communicated closer to the time.

Merchandise:

- Pre-ordered t-shirts will be packed for collection at the ETD Table by Team Managers only.
- Orders to be placed on the attached form by **20 January 2026**. No extra shirts will be ordered.

Medical Facility:

- There will be a qualified paramedic on duty for the duration of the event.

Catering & Vendors:

- Officials will be supplied with refreshments on pool deck.
- There will be various food, drinks & swimming apparel vendors.

For any enquiries, please send them via your District Convenor.