



KWAZULU-NATAL AQUATICS

(AFFILIATED TO SWIMMING SOUTH AFRICA)
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KZN AQUATICS JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

RACHEL FINLAYSON POOL

3 – 4 October 2026

The KZN Junior Championships is open to all registered swimmers from levels 2 and up, 13 years and under as on the first day of the Championships.

GENERAL RULES

1. The Competition is held under the auspices of the Rules and Regulations of KZN Aquatics (KZNA) & Swimming South Africa (SSA) and the technical specifications of the sport as specified by World Aquatics.
2. The one start rule will apply.
3. In the case of a dispute, the Referee's decision will be final
4. All competitors must be registered members of an SSA Affiliate. Visiting athletes must be registered with a World Aquatics affiliated member, and these members must have clearance from their Federation.
5. Swimmers wanting to participate in these Championships must be registered with KZN Aquatics and SSA before **12 September 2026** as a Competitive Swimmer.
6. All Athletes must have achieved the qualifying time as set by SSA for open and age group events. The qualifying standard for KZN Junior Champs is Level 2. Swimmers who qualify for one event for Level 2, may enter any additional events even if they **do not** have times on the database for those events.
7. Swimmers **must** enter the event for which they have a Qualifying Time.
8. See attached Qualifying times: SA Level 2 Long Course QT

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9. No custom times will be accepted.
10. The age of the swimmer shall be determined by the swimmers age on the first day of Championships.
11. Swimmers can only participate in their own age group as determined on the first day of the Championship.
12. All events in the Championship will be swum as **Timed Finals** and scored in the following Age Groups:
 - 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 year olds.
13. Swimmers with a disability may swim in any event as long as they meet the qualifying criteria and have times on the SSA database
14. This is an 8 lane Championship Gala in a 50m pool.
15. Swimmers must report to marshalling for all events. A swimmer will be disqualified if they do not report to marshalling.
16. KZNA Competition Local Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend start times, cancel or postpone the gala, should there be insufficient entries or reasons beyond their control.
17. The Referee has the right to consolidate heats as deemed fit.
18. The Referee has the right to change event sequence if conditions demand.
19. No Club entries will be captured if Clubs officials' duty list is not submitted with gala entries.
20. All times will be captured on SSA & KZNA databases.
21. Protests may be lodged against the decision of the Referee in writing by the Team Manager or Coach, together with a deposit of R500 within 30 Minutes following the conclusion of that specific event. However, no Protests will be allowed against decisions of Fact.
22. **Objections / Protests** All Protest shall be dealt with in accordance with the rules prescribed by World Aquatics. In the case of a disqualification arising from a decision of fact, the Referee's decision will be final Protests arising out of a session must be lodged in writing with the Referee of the competition, not later than thirty (30) minutes after the results of such session have been made available to affiliated Team Managers. All Protest will be dealt with by the Jury of Appeal. The above must be accompanied with a **R500.00 fee.**

STARTING TIMES

Saturday Session

Gates Open:	10H00
Warm Up:	10H15
Clear Pool:	11H45
Gala Starts:	12H00

Sunday Session

Gates Open:	07H15
Warm Up:	07H30
Clear Pool:	08H45
Gala Starts:	09H00

GATE FEES

Payment will be accepted by card only, no cash will be accepted.

Please retain your ticket for re-entrance.

Daily:	R40.00
Competition Ticket:	R60.00

- Swimmers no charge
- Children 12 and under no charge
- Officials no charge for the session they are working (please sign in at the gate)

Programs will be made available electronically and not sold at the gate.

(Coaches will receive an updated printed programme before each session.)

COMPETITION ENTRY FEES

Swimmer Levy:	R100.00
Individual Event:	R40.00
Relay per team:	R80.00

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ENTRY CLOSING DATE IS TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 14H00. ANY ENTRIES AFTER THIS WILL BE CHARGED AS A LATE ENTRY

- Gala entries to be emailed to Mr Phila Hlongwa: entries@kznaquatics.co.za before the closing date and time. All entries must be submitted together with the following documentation:
 - Team Manager ZIP File of entries
 - Hard Copy (PDF) of entries with Proof of time
 - List of Officials (as per Rules)
 - Copy of POP.
- Proof of payment and Officials List **MUST** be submitted with gala entries.
 - **No payment, No official list will result in entries not being accepted**
- Manual entries to be emailed to the same email before gala closing date and time.
- Gala entries will only be accepted from the Club Gala secretary.
- There are **no refunds** for Cancellations / Scratchings after the closing date and time.
- No substitutions after the closing date are allowed i.e. if a swimmer is scratched another swimmer cannot be entered in their place; similarly, one event cannot be scratched and another entered. Any additional entries after the closing date and time will be late entries.
- Payment reference must indicate: **Club Code and KZNJC**, e.g. ACSA KZNJC

Entry Fees to be deposited into the following account:

KWAZULU NATAL AQUATICS NPO

First National Bank

Account Number: 63053167277

Branch Code: 210835 Reference: Club

Code + KZNJC

Late Entry

- Late entries will only be accepted for swimmers that have entered the Championships.
- Entries received after the closing date of **Tuesday 22 September 2026 at 14H00** will be considered as late entries.
- Late entries will be accepted up to 45 minutes before the start of the day's session.
- Late entries will only be accepted if lanes are available.
- Late Entry Individual: R120.00
- Late Entry Relay: R240.00

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WITHDRAWALS AND SCRATCHINGS

- Only the accredited Team Manager or Coach of a Club may:
 - Scratch a competitor.
 - Only a signed scratching form will be accepted.
- All Withdrawals, substitutions and late entries must be finalized at the Manager's Meeting. After the Manager's Meeting, Withdrawals will be accepted **45min** preceding the session.
- Withdrawals / scratchings made outside this time limit, will be fined **240.00** per event.
- No-shows, swimmers who do not show for their race, will be fined **240.00** and the swimmer may not compete in any other event until this fine has been paid.
- **Payment will be by card only, no cash will be accepted.**

RELAYS

- The relays will be swum as mixed relays with each team consisting of two girls and two boys.
- The names of the swimmers and reserves must be submitted with entries.
- The names of the relay team must be finalised one hour before the start of the session.
- Only swimmers entered into the meet may be entered into relays.
- Swimmers may only swim in the age group they have entered.
- Clubs that have not got the swimmers to enter a relay may on approval from the Referee join with another club to enter a relay team. The swimmers that have been entered as a joint club relay team may not swim in either of the clubs first or second relay teams.
- NO points will be allocated to the clubs.
- Joint relay teams qualify for medals.

OFFICIALS

- All technical officials to be correctly attired: White top and navy blue longs, shorts or skirts and predominantly white closed shoes.
- It is the responsibility of the CLUB to ensure that their required number of officials submitted report for duty.
- Clubs are accountable to find a replacement if a given official does not report for duty.
- Clubs will be fined **R250** per official if the required number of officials does not do duty on that day.
- Unregistered/unqualified officials will be fined **R200**
- Officials are classified as Judges or Time keepers
- Minimum number of officials required:
 - 1-3 swimmers: min 1 official per session.
 - 4-10 swimmers: min 2 officials per session.
 - 11-20 swimmers: min 3 officials per session. (2 x timekeepers – 1 x judge)
 - 21-30 swimmers: min 4 officials per session. (2 x timekeepers 2 x judges)
 - 31 + swimmers: min 5 officials per session. (2 x timekeepers – 3 x judges)

TECHNICAL MEETING

- The Technical (Team) Manager's meeting will be hold on **Saturday, 03 October at 10h30** at Rachel Finlayson Pool.
- During the Meeting, each club team manager must submit the final corrections.
- Forms for withdrawals, substitutions, corrections and relay entries will be available at the help desk.

WhatsApp Group

Please complete the Google form <https://forms.gle/iDVCRnUYd7XAahng7> with the name and cell number of the team manager / coach to be added to the WhatsApp Group. If the link doesn't work, try copying and pasting it into your browser.

Time Trials:

- No Time Trials will be permitted.

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POINTS

- Individual Points:

Position	Points
1 st	12
2 nd	10
3 rd	8
4 th	7
5 th	6
6 th	5
7 th	4
8 th	3
9 th	2
10 th	1

- Double points will be awarded for relays.
- If two relay teams have been entered by a club only the highest placed team will score points for the Club.
- Clubs may enter two relay teams - both are eligible for medals.

TROPHIES AND MEDALS

- Medals shall be awarded to the first 3 finishing swimmers in each age group of the event.
- Individual Trophies will be awarded as follows
 - Top 8 and Under Male and Female
 - Top 9-Year-Old Male and Female.
 - Top 10-Year-Old Male and Female.
 - Top 11-Year-Old Male and Female.
 - Top 12-Year-Old Male and Female.
 - Top 13-Year-Old Male and Female.

MEDAL CEREMONIES

- Dress code: Competitors must be neatly attired in a team tracksuit and closed footwear at the presentation ceremony – Crocs are acceptable but No slides, sandals or flip-flops.
- Competitors who do not present themselves on time for medal presentations in the correct attire will not be able to stand on the podium and have to collect their medal after the medal ceremony from the medal table.
- Time: The medal ceremonies will be held in breaks as specified in the session report. The Tournament Director and Referee reserve the right to adjust the times of the ceremonies as they deem fit.
- No spectators or coaches will be allowed to take photos from the front of the podiums. A photographer will be appointed by KZNA to take photos which will be uploaded to a Google Drive folder for Clubs to download.

Doping Control:

Competitors and officials are reminded that testing can be undertaken at any event.

PARKING

Additional security will be stationed around the public parking area around the pool.

If you have any queries, please email Mr. Calmin Petersen: manager@kznaquatics.co.za

Have a successful KZN Junior Championship!

We look forward to hosting you at this exciting event.

KZN Aquatics Interim Committee