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In addition to the European Aquatics General Event Rules
THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS
shall apply:

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J-SW 1	ORGANISATION
J-SW 1.1	The Championships shall be held every year.
J-SW 1.2	The organising Federation and the place where the Championships will be held shall be decided by the European Aquatics ("EA") Bureau and circulated by the EA Office.
J-SW 1.3	Seven (7) Delegates, one (1) to be appointed by the Bureau and six (6) by the EA Technical Swimming Committee (EA TSC), will be responsible for and supervise the organisation and the correct conduct of the competitions according to EA Rules and Regulations. The TSC Delegates shall act in the following capacities: • Two Technical Delegates • Two Referees • One Control Room Supervisor • One Call Room Supervisor. The Delegates and EA Office will decide on all sport competition matters arising on site at the competitions which require an immediate decision.

J-SW 2	EVENTS AND PARTICIPATION
J-SW 2.1	Age Groups are: a) Men: 14 – 18 years by 31 December in the year of competition b) Women: 14 – 18 years by 31 December in the year of competition
J-SW 2.2	Events are (men and women): a) Freestyle 50 m, 100 m, 200 m, 400 m, 800 m, 1500 m; b) Breaststroke 50 m, 100 m, 200 m; c) Backstroke 50 m, 100 m, 200 m; d) Butterfly 50 m, 100 m, 200 m; e) Individual Medley 200 m, 400 m; f) Freestyle Relays 4 x 100 m,4 x 200 m; g) Medley Relay 4 x 100 m; h) Mixed Relays 4 x 100 m Freestyle, 4 x 100 m Medley.
J-SW 2.3	In individual events a maximum of four (4) entries per Federation and per event may be submitted. Notwithstanding the times or places achieved in the heats, only the two (2) fastest swimmers of the respective Federation may: a) proceed to the semi-finals and/or finals; b) take part in a swim off; c) be nominated as a reserve. In any event where heats are not held a maximum of two (2) swimmers per Federation may take part in semi-finals, finals or timed finals.
J-SW 2.4	In relay events entries for one (1) team per Federation and per event may be submitted. All swimmers entered for the Championships may swim in relays. The composition of a relay team may be changed between heats and finals of an event.
J-SW 2.5	The order of the events will be circulated by the EA Office.

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J-SW 3	FORMAT
J-SW 3.1	**Standards and Lane Placing**
J-SW 3.1.1	Entries will be accepted regardless of standards, but they shall include entry times.
J-SW 3.1.2	The entry time shall be taken from the EA Ranking list. Only entry times achieved in a 50m pool shall be accepted. Entry times shall not be older than 15 months prior to the first day of the swimming competition.
J-SW 3.1.3	Lane placing will be: a) for individual swimming according to World Aquatics Rules, based on the entry times; b) for relay heats and direct finals by draw.
J-SW 3.1.4	Heats, Semi-Finals and Finals may be swum using 10 lanes.
J-SW 3.2	**Qualification System**
J-SW 3.2.1	In the 50m, 100m and 200m events there will be heats, semi-finals and finals.
J-SW 3.2.2	In the 400m, 800m and 1500m and relay events there will be heats and finals.
J-SW 3.2.3	Where semi-finals are held the qualifiers for the final will be the 1st and 2nd in each semi-final together with the four (4) fastest from the remaining swimmers in the semi-finals. In events without semi-finals, qualification for the final shall be based on times established in the heats in accordance with World Aquatics Rules.
J-SW 3.2.4	An individual swimmer or a relay team qualified but not wishing to take part in a semi-final or final shall withdraw within thirty (30) minutes from the end of the heats or semi-finals concerned; otherwise a fine according to Rule E 17.6 will be imposed.
J-SW 3.2.5	Reserves for semi-finals and finals will be the next ranked swimmers in the heats and semi-finals respectively. Team managers are responsible to ensure that reserves are present. A Federation failing to do so shall be fined according to E 17.6.
J-SW 3.3	**Relays** The composition of relay teams shall be declared in order of swimming no later than one hour before the commencement of the session in which the race will take place. In a case of emergency the referee on request in writing may accept changes up to the time of the start.

J-SW 4	ENTRIES
J-SW 4.1	Preliminary Entries shall be submitted to the organising Federation, with copy to the EA Office, no later than the date circulated by the EA Office.
J-SW 4.2	A Federation having made a Preliminary Entry may withdraw up to the date circulated by the EA Office.

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J-SW 4.3	Named entries shall be submitted to the relevant event management system, EA Office and organising Federation, no later than ten (10) days before the first day of the competition, if not announced otherwise.
J-SW 4.4	Competitors who cannot prove identity, age and citizenship shall not be permitted to take part in the competitions.

J-SW 5 ACCREDITATION

J-SW 5.1	Federations entering the Championships will receive accreditation for: a) the President of the Federation; b) the Head of the Delegation; c) the entered competitors; d) one medical person; e) a second medical person if more than twenty competitors have been entered; f) one physiotherapist for up to 10 athletes entered, two for 11 to 20 athletes entered, three for 21 to 30 athletes entered, etc. g) team staff members: • 6 for up to 15 competitors; • 7 for up to 20 competitors; • 8 for more than 20 competitors. The number of team staff members may not exceed the number of competitors.
J-SW 5.2	Team staff members include everybody servicing the team: Team Leaders, Chaperones, Coaches, Physiotherapists, Interpreters, etc. (not officials such as judges etc.).

J-SW 6 OFFICIALS

J-SW 6.1	The EA TSC will appoint one (1) starter.
J-SW 6.2	Federations may nominate one or two officials qualified from one of the current World Aquatics lists to attend this competition. Nominations shall be submitted on the official form to the EA Office no later than the date circulated by the EA Office. The costs (travel and accommodation) of officials approved by the EA TSC will be paid by the nominating Federation.
J-SW 6.3	The organising Federation shall supply all other officials.
J-SW 6.4	The EA Technical Delegates and the Referees will nominate the officials in charge for each competition day.

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J-SW 7	CHAMPIONSHIPS TROPHY SWIMMING
J-SW 7.1	The Trophy shall be awarded to the Federation obtaining the highest number of points in both men's and women's events according to the following system: a) in individual events using 8 lanes: places 1 – 8 18,16,15,14,13,12,11,10 points places 9 – 16 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 points b) in relay events using 8 lanes: places 1 – 8 36,32,30,28,26,24,22,20 points c) in individual events using 10 lanes: places 1 – 10 22,20,19,18,17,16,15,14,13,12 points places 11 – 20 10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 points d) in relay events using 10 lanes: places 1 – 10 40,36,34,32,30,28,26,24,22,20 points In case of a tie the highest points shall be awarded to each swimmer or relay team.

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