RULES & REGULATIONS OF 28^{th} SELANGOR AGE GROUP SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 2018 $1^{ST}-4^{TH}$ FEBRUARY 2018

Amended 2017

1. COMPETITION RULES:

The Selangor Age Group Swimming Championship (herein refer to as 'Championship') shall be conducted according to the **FINA Rules** unless otherwise stated. Persatuan Renang Amatur Selangor (PRAS) Organizing Committee reserves the right to decide on matters not provided for under the **FINA Rules**.

2. THE COMPETITION:

- 2.1. Each team may enter as many swimmers as possible in each event and swimmers are allowed to compete in any number of events offered under that particular age group.
- 2.2. All Events will be swum as Time-Finals. As such, it is **COMPULSORY** for all swimmers to submit proper entry times so as to encourage keen competition, and to ensure the competition runs smoothly.
- 2.3. The fastest eight swimmers (for 8 lane pools, ten swimmers for 10 lane pools) will be grouped into the last Time Finals of the Event; the swimmers will in turn be seeded in lanes according to FINA Rules i.e. fastest time in lane 4 and so on.
- 2.4. The second fastest eight swimmers (for 8 lane pools, ten swimmers for 10 lane pools) will be grouped into the last but one Time Final of the Event.
- 2.5. All entries must be entered with their personal best time. This will enable swimmers to be seeded in the right heats and to encourage keen competition.
- 2.6. Swimmers are urged to submit correct times so as to encourage keen competition. Failure to submit times will result in the swimmer swimming in the slowest Time Finals. A draw by the organizing committee will decide lanes for those who fail to submit times.
- 2.7. Events with less than 4 swimmers will not be swum.
- 2.8. **Group 4 (10 years & under)** swimmers failing to achieve a time equivalent or faster than the qualifying time will have to pay a fine of **RM100.00** per event.
- 2.9. To swim in 200m freestyle, swimmers must meet the qualifying time of 100m freestyle and for 200m IM, swimmers must meet the qualifying time of all 50m Butterfly, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Freestyle.
- 2.10. The meet will start at **2:00pm** on 1st February 2018 (1500m & 800m freestyle) and at **8.00am** daily on 2nd, 3rd and 4th February 2017.

2.11. Age Groups:

Age Groups	Age (Years)	Date Of Birth
Open	18 to 25 years	Born 2/1/1992 to 1/1/2000
Group 1	15 to 17 years	Born 2/1/2000 to 1/1/2003
Group 2	13 to 14 years	Born 2/1/2003 to 1/1/2005
Group 3	11 to 12 years	Born 2/1/2005 to 1/1/2007
Group 4	10 years & under	Born 2/1/2007 and after

Open swimmers will be swum in **Group 1** and classified as Exhibition Swimmers.

2.12. Date of reckoning is 1st January 2018. Age is calculated as on 1st January in the year of competition.

3. **ELIGIBILITY**:

- 3.1. All swimmers must represent their respective clubs or schools affiliated to PRAS or invited by PRAS in cases where there is no affiliation.
- 3.2. Only swimmers whose clubs or schools are not affiliated to PRAS may participate under their respective MSS Districts.
- 3.3. Swimmers who wish to be considered/selected to represent Selangor in any ASUM approved meet including SUKMA must take part in this meet.
- 3.4. Only bona fide swimmers who are duly REGISTERED under the registration exercise through their clubs, schools or as individual will be allowed to participate in this championship. Please ensure your swimmers are registered or they will be disqualified during the meet and or selection to the State Team.
- 3.5. Swimmers who decline selection without any valid reason or exemption from PRAS to represent Selangor after being duly selected will be barred from the following: -
 - 3.5.1. Taking part in future STATE MEETS or representing the STATE.
 - 3.5.2. Holding any records achieved during the meet.
 - 3.5.3. Getting any benefits if any from PRAS or from the Selangor State Sports Council.
- 3.6. Selection of swimmers to represent the State for any meet will depend on various factors, one of which will be the 'TIME' factor recorded by the swimmers in relation to past years result in the State, National and Regional Meets. All decisions made by the PRAS Selection Committee are FINAL.

4. WITHDRAWALS

4.1. The last chance to withdraw from any event shall be at the TEAM MANAGERS' meeting to be held at PADE, PRAS room Shah Alam on **Saturday**, **13**th **January 2018 at 11.00am**.

- 4.2. Any withdrawals on the day(s) of the Championship with or without notification shall be deemed as "Did Not Show" or "Did Not Start" (herein referred to DNS), a penalty of RM100.00 shall be imposed on all DNS. Payment must be made immediately in order to continue to participate on that day. The fine is to be borne by the respective Team concerned.
- 4.3. Any withdrawals of more than 1 event on the day(s) of the Championship, either subsequently or alternatively, a penalty of RM100.00 shall be imposed on each DNS events and payment must be made immediately in order to continue to participate on that day.
- 4.4. The penalty may be waived if the swimmer concerned produces a medical certificate for the relevant day of the race. However, the swimmer will not be permitted to participate in any further races for the day.
- 4.5. All medical certificates must be handed in the following day otherwise the penalty will be imposed as in 4.2.

5. PROTEST

All protest must be made on appropriate forms accompanied by an RM200.00 fee, within half an hour after the results have been officially announced. But if known before the competition, such protest must be lodged before the signal to start is given. Fees will not be refundable if the protest is not upheld.

6. JURY OF APPEAL

- 6.1. The Chairman of the Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by the Persatuan Renang Amatur Selangor.
- 6.2. A maximum of 6 and minimum of four other members of the Jury of Appeal shall comprise the followings:
 - 6.2.1. Secretary of the Organizing Committee or representative, and
 - 6.2.2. A maximum of five and a minimum of three representatives from amongst the participating clubs not involved in the dispute. The Chairman of the Jury of Appeal shall appoint the representatives.

7. ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- 7.1. Best overall Team Championship Challenge Trophy.
- 7.2. Prizes in the form of incentive are awarded to the overall individual champions of each category (boys and girls in each age group) as follows: -

7.3. Medals (for Group 4 only) and Certificates will be awarded to all winners for both Novice and State in all Groups.

7.4. The overall champion award for "Open" group will be presented only when there are 4 or more participants in the group. There is no State/Novice category in this group.

8. **GUIDELINES**

Selection of Best Swimmers for Each Age Group

- 8.1. Group 4
 - 8.1.1. The highest number of medals, in order of gold, silver, and bronze.
 - 8.1.2. In the event of a tie, the number of records broken will be taken into consideration.
- 8.2. Groups "Open" to 3
 - 8.2.1. The number of records broken during the meet. The biggest consideration shall be given for International Meet records, followed by National, State, and then meet records. This is regardless of the number of medals a swimmer has won during the meet.
 - 8.2.2. In the event there is no record broken for that particular age group, then the number of medals won will be taken into consideration.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DECISIONS MADE BY THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE PERTAINING TO THE RUNNING OF MEET SHALL BE FINAL.