

RULES & REGULATIONS OF 34th NATIONAL INTER-CLUB SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE PRESIDENT CUP 2015

Amended 2015

1. NAME:

The name of the championship shall be known as “National Inter-Club Swimming Championships for the President Cup.”

2. ORGANISATION:

This championship is organized under the auspices of the Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia on an annual basis to be held preferably during the 3rd Term School Holidays.

3. COMPETITION RULES :

The championship shall be conducted in accordance to FINA Rules.

4. ELIGIBILITY:

4.1. Clubs Affiliated to State / Armed Forces Swimming Associations

Where a state swimming association exists, all clubs affiliated to these associations only, may participate. Entries shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Club hosting the Championship.

4.2. Clubs in States without Swimming Associations

To states where no state swimming associations exist, clubs may participate directly (subject to approval by Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia) by submitting their entries to the Secretary of the Club hosting the Championships.

4.3. All participating clubs shall be duly registered with the Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia unless exempted.

4.4. Armed Forces may participate at services level only i.e. Army, Navy and Air Force.

4.5. School Swimming Clubs are not allowed to participate in this Championship.

4.6. There shall be no unattached swimmers as the aim is to foster membership in Clubs.

4.7. Swimmers shall swim or represent the Club that they are registered with. Swimmers who wish to represent another Club must secure a letter of release from the Club that she / he has registered with. Swimmers found representing other Clubs without proper documentation will be disqualified from participating.

5. THE COMPETITION:

Events will be swum as Time Finals and seeding is as follows:

- i) The fastest eight swimmers (for 8 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.
- ii) The second fastest eight swimmers (for 8 lane pools) will be grouped into the last but one Time Final of the Event.
- iii) All entries **must be** entered with their personal best time. This will enable swimmers to be seeded in the right heat and to encourage keen competition.
- iv) Competing swimmers failing to achieve a time equivalent or faster than the qualifying time will have to pay a fine of **RM100.00** per event.
- v) Events with less than 4 swimmers will not be swum.

5.1. CATEGORIES:

<u>AGE GROUPS</u>	<u>AGE (years)</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>
Open	18 – 25 years	Born 2/1/1989 to 1/1/1997
Group 1	15 – 17 years	Born 2/1/1997 to 1/1/2000
Group 2	13 – 14 years	Born 2/1/2000 to 1/1/2002
Group 3	11 – 12 years	Born 2/1/2002 to 1/1/2004
Group 4	10 years & under	born 2/1/2004 and after

Date of reckoning is 1.1.2015

Events for ALL categories:

50m and 100m for Boys / Men and Girls / Women in Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Butterfly Stroke.

- 5.1.1. Mixed Age Group 4 x 100m Freestyle Relay events for Boys and Girls (except Open Event Swimmers). The team must comprise of one swimmer from each Age-Group of I, II, III and IV respectively. The starting order is at the discretion of the Club.
- 5.1.2. Age is calculated as on 1st January in the year of competition.
- 5.1.3. All Age Group competitors must swim in their respective age groups.
- 5.1.4. National Swimmers who represented Malaysia at open level International Championships in the two years preceding this Championship are eligible to participate in the Open Events only.

6. SCORING OF POINTS:

Scoring of points and placing of a swimmer shall be calculated according to his finishing position amongst the swimmers in the same race.

- 6.1. Each participating Club shall be awarded a basic score of 10 points initially for participation. 1st to 11th placing will score 12, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 points respectively.
- 6.2. The Champion Club shall be the Club who scores the highest total number of points. In the event of a tie, the Club which obtains the highest number of first placing, is the winner.
- 6.3. Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia shall award certificates to competitors who obtain the first three placing in all events completed.

7. ENTRIES:

All entries together with the appropriate entry fees shall be submitted on the official entry forms to reach the Secretary of the Organizing Committee not later than three (3) weeks before the date of Championships. Each Club may enter any number of entries in any one event. Each competitor may enter any number of events.

Entry Fee:

Individual Events: **RM5.00** per competitor per event.

Relay Events: **RM10.00** per event.

Fees paid are not refundable

8. JURY OF APPEAL:

The Chairman of the Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by the Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia.

- 8.1. A maximum of eight and a minimum of six other Members of the Jury of Appeal shall comprise of the following:-
 - a) Secretary of the Organizing Committee or representative.
 - b) A maximum of seven and a minimum of five representatives from amongst the participating Clubs, not involved in the dispute. The Chairman of the Jury of Appeal shall appoint the representative.

9. RECORDS:

All records are recognized by the Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia.

10. PROTEST:

All protest must be made on appropriate forms accompanied by 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 refunded if the protest is not upheld.