

# **Over-subscription Policy**

This policy covers all events organised by the Torfaen Dolphins Performance Centre.

#### **Definitions**

**Over-subscription** is defined as the number of entries exceeding the event maximum capacity. All decisions will be made to ensure the safety of competitors at the event.

The term **scratched** refers to a competitor being removed from one or more event{s} based on the criteria outlined below.

## Role of competition secretary

Once aware that over-subscription may be an issue the competition secretary must:

- Inform the Head Coach of the potential of over subscription
- Give an outline of the reason for the over-subscription e.g. external clubs entering numbers larger than expected or competitors with fast entry times applying for development meets.

#### **Role of Head Coach**

Following discussion with the competition secretary and once a decision to remove competitors has been made, the executive committee is informed to assist with the processing of refunds.

#### **Removal of competitors**

Priority will be given to eligible Torfaen Dolphins swimmers unless:

- The head coach feels that the entry requirement should be time based. When this decision is made the following criteria will be used:
  - If the meet is for development swimmers (level 3) Torfaen Dolphin/ external competitors with times deemed too quick will be removed from the competition.
  - If the meet is level 1, the slowest competitors will be scratched

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## Meet pack statement

#### The following statement will be added to all meet packs

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All decisions made by the Torfaen Dolphins meet planning committee will be final and binding.

- 1. Entries will not be taken on a first come, first served basis for this event. All entries submitted will be considered and a confirmed entry list will be published after close of entry.
- 2. In the event of over subscription scratches will be made at the discretion of meet planning committee and will be based on entry times
  - **2.1.** the slowest swimmers in level 1 meets and
  - **2.2.** fastest in level 3 meets being scratched first.
- 3. Entries are not confirmed until published, Torfaen Dolphins meet planning committee therefore advise attendees to book flexible/refundable travel and/or accommodation arrangements. Torfaen Dolphins Performance Centre is not responsible for accommodation/travel and other related costs incurred as a result of scratched entries/event cancellation/venue changes.
- **4.** Refunds will only be given for entry fees and spectator tickets
- **5.** If the number of scratched competitors means a reduction in poolside coaches or the complete removal of a club, a refund will be offered for poolside passes.

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