

By-laws of Ellesmere Port Amateur Swimming Club

April 2013-2016

1 Membership

- 1.1 All competing members shall be amateurs as defined by current A.S.A. law.
- 1.2 The Club Constitution Rules and By-laws are published on the Club Website www.EPASC.Co.UK. Each member can be furnished with a copy of these rules and By-laws on request.
- 1.3 Applicants for Club Membership ~~who at their entry assessment are not up to an acceptable standard of swimming for their age may, at the discretion of the coaches, be offered membership in the club.~~
are required to have achieved level 5 of the NPTS scheme and be progressing to level 6 as a minimum. They will have an entry assessment to ensure they are at an acceptable standard of swimming. Entry to the club is at the discretion of the club.

2 Administration

- 2.1 Only senior members who have paid the current year's subscription shall vote at the AGM. Non-members shall be allowed to attend but may take part in the discussion only on invitation of the Chairman.
- 2.2 Any member of the Committee absenting himself/herself from four meetings in succession without sufficient reasons, shall be considered no longer a member of the Committee and another shall be co-opted in his/her place until the next A.G.M.
- 2.3 The Committee shall nominate delegates to those bodies to which the Club is affiliated.

3 Finance

- 3.1 For any member elected during the year the subscription shall be due and payable on election. ~~Subscription to be pro-rata on a quarterly basis.~~
- 3.2 For subscription purposes juniors shall be under 16 years of age on the 1st January of that year.
- ~~3.3 The sum of £1 shall be added to the Affiliation Fee each year to defray the expenditure that is incurred during the Reutlingen exchange visits.~~
- ~~3.4~~**3.3** Swimmers who are registered as competitors with the ASA in category 2, with Ellesmere Port ASC as their first club, but who are ASA ranked for a different club, will be required to pay their own ASA registration fee.

4 Funds and Property

- 4.1 All trophies belonging to the Club shall be perpetual, the winners to sign a guarantee of the safe custody, and return the trophy on the date specified by the Trophy Controller.
- 4.2 When a member resigns from the Club, all the Club trophies and all trophies held by the Club in the members' possession shall be returned to the Club Trophy Controller immediately.

5 Coaching.

- 5.1 Coaching shall be conducted by a panel appointed by the Committee. The panel shall make recommendations for Championship entries.
- 5.2 The Committee shall have the power to appoint coaches from time to time, to attend at the pool for the purposes of giving lessons to members.

6 Behaviour.

- 6.1 Any member who is deemed guilty of misbehaviour during Club sessions may be suspended from that session by two officials and reported to the Committee.
- 6.2 The Club reserves the power to suspend any member reported for gross misconduct pending enquiries into the complaint, in accordance with constitutional rule 6.5. Any further actions in regard to the matter must be carried under ASA Judicial Rules and Regulations for handling Internal Club Disputes, as the same may be revised from time to time.

7 Costumes

- 7.1 Members of the Club shall wear swimwear in accordance with FINA General Rules and Bylaws and A.S.A. Guidelines. Note for low level competition the swimwear does not have to be a certified approved design.