

SE London Winter Championships 2021

COVID-19 Procedure for the London Aquatic Centre

General:

1. All swimmers must advise their club if they or any of their household have shown any symptoms of COVID-19 as described by the Government website within the previous two weeks. No swimmer should attend this meet if this is the case.
2. All swimmers must advise their coach and the promoter if they or any of their household shows any symptoms of COVID-19 as described by the Government website at any time during the competition. The swimmer concerned must not attend the competition if this is the case.
3. We recommend that all those attending, including spectators, have recorded a negative result from a lateral flow test taken no more than 48 hours before your arrival.
4. Face coverings may be worn by attendees at the meet. We recommend that they be worn while entering and exiting the venue and while in enclosed spaces.

Access procedure:

1. You should arrive at the LAC at least 15 minutes before your warm up time and enter the venue through the competitors' entrance.
2. Hand sanitises will be available before you enter the changing village.
3. After changing, you should proceed to the gallery seating and follow the direction of your coach or Team Manager.

During the Competition:

1. The toilets and changing areas are available during the competition. We recommend that you hand sanitise on every access and egress from the changing village.
2. If a swimmer should feel unwell with COVID symptoms during the competition, they must tell their coach who will advise the promoter. The swimmer will be isolated in a COVID secure room until they can be escorted securely to the exit of the venue and taken home.
3. The swimmer should get a COVID-19 test and advise their coach and the promoter of the result. In the meantime, you should not attend the competition.

During racing:

1. We will call swimmers to marshaling by heat in the usual way.
2. Marshals will move swimmers forward and escort the next heat to their starting positions.
3. No start lists will be printed for coaches or team managers. All start lists will be available on the Meet Mobile app which is available from the Apple and Google app stores.
4. Timekeeper sheets will be produced as will start lists for the referees and marshals.
5. Coaches can be on the Westfield side of the deck to interact with their swimmer after the race.
6. Coaches will be permitted on deck during the warm up for each session.

Officials:

1. All DQ forms will be written by the official making the observation in discussion with the referee and retained by the Control Room Supervisor should reference be needed at a later date.
2. DQs will be communicated to the timing officials using the radios which will be sanitised between sessions.
3. Seating will be provided in the Tribune Press Area of the gallery.
4. Official briefings will take place in the corridor by the timing suite.

Egress procedure:

1. After a swimmer has competed, they should proceed to the changing village to get changed and return to the seating gallery.
2. Showers will be available.
3. Once a swimmer has completed their races, they should exit the venue through the competitors' entrance.