



# Sheffield Swimming Association

## School Swimming Gala – Further Info

Please find below some further information about the Sheffield Swimming Association's school swimming Gala:

- The Gala begins at 7pm
- It usually finishes by approximately 9pm
- The venue recommends parking in the nearby Q-Park. We are advised that reduced parking charges may be available on presentation of the parking ticket to the reception desk.
- Copies of the programme will be handed to Spectators on entry
- Entrance to the Gala, for spectators, is £2.00 per ticket and via the balcony doors.
- Meet your swimmers in the large foyer at the entrance. When all are present, take them downstairs to the changing rooms and onto the poolside.
- Make sure that your swimmers are on the poolside for 6:45pm. They need to put their clothes in a bag and bring it onto the poolside.
- Position your team on the poolside, keeping them well back from the edge. Look out for your school sign. Some schools will have to be placed towards the diving end of the pool in order to accommodate everybody.
- Teams should have somebody with them at all times to organise them into the correct event, heat and lane.
- Each event will have the Division A race first, followed by the Division B race.
- Each team will use the same lane for each event.
- Each swimmer will swim 25m in each event.
- The pattern of race 10 will repeat twice (Legs 1-4 and Legs 1-4 again)
- Teams can involve different swimmers in each age group if it wishes.
- Each team competing an event will receive points as indicated on the programme.
- At the end of the Gala, all schools will gather around the Recorder's Table and sit down quietly awaiting the final positions.
- All competing children will receive a certificate (fill in the sheet on the Recorder's Table before the Gala) indicating how many children you have brought so we can prepare certificates.
- All technical positions are being covered by ASA officials (this is not the case for timekeepers. Schools need to provide 2 timekeepers for their lane.)
- Timekeepers should wear clothing and footwear (ideally white) appropriate for poolside.