

GMAAA - POINTS COMPUTATION & CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATION OF BEST SWIMMER

POINTS COMPUTATION:

- For determination of the Best Swimmer – Winner/Runner Up in Men/Women or in each age category for Boys/Girls, the points allocated will be 7, 5, and 3 points for the top three places respectively in each individual event
- For computation of Team Championship, the points allocated will be 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 for the top six places respectively in each individual event. Whereas, the corresponding points allocation for the Relays, will be 14, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2

CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATION OF BEST SWIMMER – WINNER/RUNNER UP IN EACH CATEGORY FOR MEN/WOMEN & BOYS/GIRLS

The Best Swimmer – Winner/Runner up in each category will be determined by sequentially adopting the following criteria:

- The number of records broken/ bettered in individual events
- The total number of points earned in individual events
- The Total number of Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals earned in individual events
- If deadlock still persists, the honours will be shared

EXEMPTION FROM PARTICIPATION IN GMAAA SENIOR/ AGE GROUP MEET

As you are aware, the GMAAA Senior/ Age Group Meet besides being a District Championship, is also a selection trial for the MSAAA (Maharashtra State) Meet, which in turn forms the basis of selection for the Senior/Age Group Nationals conducted by the SFI (Swimming Federation of India). It is, therefore, imperative for all GMAAA swimmers to participate in the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet, as only top six/four in each event qualify for the MSAAA Meet. It has been observed over the years, that several swimmers are not participating in the GMAAA Meet citing a variety of reasons, but seek selection for participation in the MSAAA Meet on past performances (not contemporary). It has, therefore, been decided that exemption from participation in the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet would only be considered in the following cases and subject to conditions specified:

- a) **If the swimmer is required to appear for a School/Board/College/University exams on the days of the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet provided adequate proof is produced to show that the exam dates clash with the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet.** Swimmers seeking exemption must ensure that their entries are sent by their respective clubs/units/institutions for the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet in the events that they desire to be considered for selection for the MSAAA Meet. They are also required to make an application well in advance before the

GMAAA Meet with their most recent timings (not older than 3 months from the GMAAA Senior/ Age Group Meet) recorded in a competition supported by a Certificate.

- b) **If a swimmer falls ill or suffers an injury before/during the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet, thus preventing him/her from participating in the Meet, provided he/she produces a Medical Certificate in support of the same.** Swimmers seeking exemption must ensure that their entries are sent by their respective clubs/units/institutions for the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet in the events that they desire to be considered for selection for the MSAAA Meet. In cases where the illness or injury has been suffered before the GMAAA Meet, they are also required to make an application well in advance with their most recent timings (not older than 3 months from the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet) recorded in a competition supported by a Certificate.
- c) **If the swimmer is undergoing training in a National Camp organized by the SFI or is participating in a national level meet or an international meet as a member of the Indian team at or around the same time as the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet.** Swimmers seeking exemption must ensure that their entries are sent by their respective clubs/units/institutions for the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet in the events that they desire to be considered for selection for the MSAAA Meet. They are also required to make an application well in advance before the GMAAA Meet with their most recent timings (not older than 3 months from the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet) recorded in a competition supported by a Certificate.
- d) **If the swimmer is undergoing training overseas at the time of the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet, provided his/her timings recorded in a recognized competition (long course) conducted before the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet, are available on a website for verification of current (contemporary) performances.** Alternatively, they are required to submit their most recent timings recorded in any swimming meet in India (not older than 3 months from the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet) supported by a Certificate. Swimmers seeking exemption must ensure that their entries are sent by their respective clubs/units/institutions for the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet in the events that they desire to be considered for selection for the MSAAA Meet. They are also required to make an application well in advance before the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet intimating the country they desire to visit and coach under whom they would be training. **Please note that exemption from participation in the GMAAA Age Group/Senior Meet will not be granted to Swimmers training outside Mumbai but within India.**
- e) Ordinarily, no request for seeking exemption from participation in the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meets under any other circumstances will be entertained. However, in extraordinary circumstances and only as an exception, the President and General Secretary of the GMAAA may, if satisfied with the genuineness of the request after examining the facts and extenuating circumstances, consider such requests favourably. It is reiterated, such grants of exemption shall be exceptions and not a rule. Swimmers seeking exemption must ensure that their entries are

sent by their respective clubs/units/institutions for the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet in the events that they desire to be considered for selection for the MSAAA Meet. They are also required to make an application well in advance before the GMAAA Meet with their most recent timings (not older than 3 months from the GMAAA Senior/Age Group Meet) recorded in a competition supported by a Certificate.

RULES FOR REPRESENTING GMAAA FOR THE RELAY RACES AT THE STATE MEETS:

1. All the contestants would be eligible to take part in the GMAAA relay teams on the basis of their final timings in the eligible races.
2. All interested participants would need to explicitly convey their request for consideration for the relay team participation within 48 hours of the GMAAA Meet closure.
3. A relay team thus chosen will be then asked to represent GMAAA at the State Meet.
4. Once chosen, the participant must compulsorily be available for the relay race at the designated time. Any failure to do so will result in the participant being debarred from the representing GMAAA in the relays in future. The erring swimmer will also face a 3 month ban from taking part in any GMAAA Meet or any Meet conducted under the auspices of GMAAA. This ban will be effective from the date of the Relay which the swimmer failed to swim.
5. If due to unavoidable circumstances, a chosen swimmer is unable to take part, they must give a request to GMAAA in writing one week before the Meet asking for exemption by giving clear reason. Any last moment/ urgent request will be considered by the GMAAA President directly.
6. The underlying principle is that if a swimmer is fit to compete in the individual races, then he/she is fit to take part in the relays that they themselves have opted for and hence GMAAA will not take a lenient view of any request for absence for the relay event while taking part in the individual races.

It is an earnest request to all the constituents of GMAAA to carefully read the above instructions and ensure their diligent adherence and compliance to ensure that the swimmers concerned are not put through any hardships in their pursuit of excellence.

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