

## The Swim England East Region Members' Forum

### Background information

Swim England East Region Members' Forum is an integral part of the Region's governance structure.

The role of the Members' Forum is to represent the Region's members as a whole, rather than the members of their own club or county,

Members of the Members' Forum should attend the Annual General Meeting, to vote on key issues and to hold the Directors to account. The Members' Forum is also responsible for electing the Directors, the President, the President Elect, Leadership Group Managers and Officers.

The Members' Forum may also be consulted on issues during the year. If this is necessary, the Board will send a report on the particular issue and ask the Members to either approve or reject a recommendation using an online poll.

### Swim England East Region appointments

The Members of the Members' Forum are appointed by each of the Region's counties, with the number of Members for each county based on the membership at the end of the previous year. This is detailed in the Articles of Association.

- 8.1. Each county association shall be entitled to appoint Members to the Members' Forum. Each county association shall be entitled to appoint up to three Members to the Members' Forum, plus one additional Member for every 1500 individual members of clubs affiliated to the county association. In calculating the individual members of clubs, the Company will use data supplied by Swim England showing the number of fee-paying members a club had at the end of the preceding calendar year. In the event of any query as to the number of Members of the Members' Forum that each county association can appoint, the decision of the Board shall be final.
- 8.2. Every Member of the Members' Forum must be a Swim England member and a member of a club within the region's county associations.
- 8.3. Appointment to the Members' Forum shall be made annually by each county association, as may be further detailed in the Regulations.

Each county should notify the Region of the names of their representatives six weeks prior to the Region's Annual General Meeting.

### Term of Office

Appointments to the Members' Forum will be made annually by each county. If a member of Members' Forum resigns then the relevant county association will be invited to fill the vacancy.