



## **Committee Summary Report**

### **Competitions Committee**

January 2026 – May 2026

Terms of Reference for the Competitions Committee can be found [here](#).

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#### **Committee Members**

##### **Chair**

Savannah King (Swim BC)

##### **Acting Members**

Andrew Woinoski (Coach – OS)  
Darryl Rudolf (Coach – Rapids)  
Naomi Antler (Coach – KISU)  
Norma Lachance (Official – UN)  
Mike Sanborn (Official – UVPCS)  
Rob Smith (Official – HST)

##### **Swim BC Representative**

Melissa Webster  
Carrie Matheson

#### **Committee Meeting Dates**

February 9, 2026  
March 17, 2026  
April 14, 2026  
May 12, 2026

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#### **Implemented Actions**

- 1) Outlined Goal Calendar for 2026-2027 Swim BC Competition.**
  - a. Alignment with changing Swimming Canada calendar.
  - b. Minor shifts to Divisional and Provincial Championship weekends.
  
- 2) Review of Feedback from the 2026 Winter Divisionals**
  - a. The schedule of events on Sunday was not ideal for those focused on shorter events.
    - The schedule of events was changed for Summer 2026.
  - b. The 17+ age group was sparse.
    - Ongoing discussions.
  - c. Request for 400m events to be swum as heats and finals.
    - 400m heats and finals were included for Summer 2026.

**June 16, 2026**



- d. Request for alternating relays.
  - Implemented moving forward: 4x100 mixed free relay (Winter) and 4x100 mixed medley relay (Summer).
- e. Request for alternating distance events at Winter Divisionals,
  - Implemented moving forward.

### **3) Review of Feedback from the 2026 Winter Provincial Championships**

- a. Start times for evening sessions were perceived as too late.
  - Summer 2026 Provincials preliminary session start times was standardized, and the finals start time was moved 30 minutes earlier.
- b. Timelines were viewed positively for the SCM Championships but will remain a challenge for LCM competitions.
  - The maximum number of swims was limited to eight (8) per athlete at the 2026 Summer Provincials.
  - Other considerations are under discussion to help control timelines.
- c. The fee implemented for no-shows in 400m events was removed during Winter Provincials based on coach feedback.
  - Coaches expressed the desire to see the entire finals sessions the night before to decide on the following morning's swims.
  - Scratch deadline for Summer 2026 was moved to 15 minutes following the completion of finals to allow coaches time to gather necessary information.
- d. The schedule of events on Sunday was not ideal for those swimming shorter events.
  - The schedule of events was changed for Summer 2026.

### **4) Swim Meet Awards**

- a. Ribbons at Provincial Championships will be replaced with certificates awarded to all individual event finalists.
- b. Divisional and Provincial Championship medals have been updated.



## Ongoing and Upcoming Discussions

- 1) Continued Review of Provincial Competitions**
  - a. Age groups included in winter and summer Swim BC competitions.
  - b. Review of time standards.
  - c. Continued discussion regarding the management of preliminary session timelines.
  
- 2) Review of Swim BC Competition Offerings**
  - a. Ensuring Swim BC competitions best support the level of athletes they are intended to serve.
  - b. Exploring the potential for senior competition to target senior-level athletes, thereby alleviating pressure from Provincial Championships.
  
- 3) Advancing the Announcement of Swim BC Calendar to Support Club Planning**
  - a. Established firm deadlines for information sharing (calendar, pre-meet information, and meet packages).
  - b. Tentative schedules to be released as early as possible.
  - c. Multi-Year contracts with hosting facilities will allow for earlier scheduling
  
- 4) Reintroducing Swim BC Open Water Provincials in 2027**
  - a. Meet package template, and sanctioning requirement, and safety plan requirements have been drafted
  - b. Ongoing discussion for timing of event