

Briefing for Open water Swimming To be read by <u>every swimmer</u> before signing in:

Swimmers

- 1. You must be a current full member of MSTC or having a guest/taster session
- 2. You must have signed the indemnity and paid for your swim session
- 3. You must be wearing a wetsuit and visible swim cap
- 4. Please sign in before entering the water, and be signed out on exit. Be aware of rocky ground.
- 5. Please stay within the designated swim lane, keeping away from the water tower and give the buoys a wide berth
- 6. Please sight regularly for other swimmers & vessels
- 7. If you experience any difficulty where possible head for the shallows or roll onto your back, put your hand in the air, shout and attract attention from fellow swimmers/kayaker
- 8. Be aware of fellow swimmers in case you need to give assistance
- 9. If you are a new to this reservoir or would appreciate help identify yourself and someone will be assigned to swim with you. Swim floats are available.
- 10. Ensure you are out of the water by the end of the session (Tuesday 7.30pm; Saturday 10am)
- 11. Report any adverse incidents to the safety team
- 12. Adapt to changes during training. In an emergency (casualty evacuation/deteriorating weather conditions), swimmers will be instructed to leave the water. The Spotter will sound the klaxon continuously & kayakers will tap the side of their kayak with their paddle. Spotter/kayakers will use whistles if necessary to help alert swimmers.
- 13. If you have any medical condition which others may need to help you with please brief the person on the Pontoon

Enjoy your swim

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