

BLUE SQUAD CRITERIA

The following guidelines will be applied to swimmers selected for the Blue squad.

Movement up to Blue Squad is based on potential, age & achievement of the criteria below or at the discretion of the Head Coach in exceptional circumstances.

Criteria

Aim: Competitive/Physical Development

Age range: 8-14

Training Guidelines

Swim: 6 x 100 FS (2:10) - maintaining good technique
16 x 25 IM Order (0:40) - maintaining good technique on all four strokes

Kick: 4 x 100 FS/Fly (3:00) - maintaining pace under 90 seconds per 50

Squad members **MUST** be committed and willing to train at Blue level, Blue Squad 8-14 years must attend at least 4 to 5 sessions a week.

Squad members **MUST** commit to one Land Training sessions a week.

MUST be self-motivated to achieve the goals set by the squad coach.

Squad members **MUST** arrive on poolside a minimum of 10 minutes before the session is due to start to complete 5 minutes of stretches. All swimmers must complete poolside stretches at the end of every training session for a minimum of 5 minutes.

Competition

Swimmers should be training to achieve a time on one or more 100m or over events (so excluding 50m events and 100IM) that qualifies for the Wiltshire Championship for their age at the next competition

MUST be prepared to represent the club at key competitions

Review

A place in Blue Squad is based on continuing to achieve the squad criteria or at the discretion of the Head Coach. The Head Coach may recommend that swimmers not attending competitions and/or not achieving the criteria move to a more suitable squad for their ability.

Training Times

Tuesday	5.45-7am	1.25		Link Centre
Wednesday	7-8.30pm	1.5		Marlborough College
Thursday	5.30-6.30pm		1	Land Training - Kingsdown
Friday	7-8.30pm	1.5		Milton Road
Saturday	8.30-9.30am	1		Marlborough College
Sunday	5-7pm	2		Milton Road
Total:	5 Sessions	7.25	1	Hours