

Swimming New Zealand has introduced a standard victory ceremony protocol for all SNZ National Competitions. Victory Ceremonies will be timetabled into the Order of Events and published in the souvenir programme and the programmes for finals sessions.

**Team managers and Coaches are to ensure swimmers are familiar with this protocol.**

A musical fanfare will be used to indicate the Victory Ceremony.

## Dress standard for victory ceremonies

- Club or regional t-shirt, jacket or sweatshirt
- No caps or goggles
- No towels to be wrapped around the waist
- Tracksuit bottoms or shorts are NOT required

## Victory Ceremonies – Individual events

Swimmers who are not present WILL **NOT** RECEIVE THEIR MEDAL. Substitutes may be used if swimmers are in other races or in marshalling, however they must be of the same gender as the swimmer due to be receiving the medal.

**Victory ceremonies will take place immediately after the following race – please see the Order of Events and Victory Ceremony Timetable for the full timetable.**

EXAMPLE	Session 2 – Finals				
	Warm-up 4.15pm - 5.30pm			Start 6pm	
First final swum	1	400 Free		W	13 years
Second final swum	1a	400 Free		W	14 years
First final victory ceremony	Victory ceremony	1	400 Back	W	13 years
Third final swum	1b	400 Free		M	15 years
Second final victory ceremony	Victory ceremony	1a	400 Back	W	14 years
Fourth final swum	1c	400 Free		M	16 years
Third final victory ceremony	Victory ceremony	1b	400 Free	M	15 years
Fifth final swum	1d	400 Free		W	17-18 years

**IMMEDIATELY after finishing their race AND BEFORE warming down**

The TOP 4 swimmers should dry down, get their t-shirt or tracksuit jacket and go to the presentation area. They must advise the presentation official they are present.

We will endeavour to run the victory ceremonies as timetabled. If for any reason there is a delay in the results being available, the victory ceremony for that event will take place as soon as possible. The victory ceremonies will continue as timetabled.

## Victory Ceremonies – Relay Events

4 Representatives of the relay team must be present for the Relay Teams to receive their medals. Substitutes may be used if swimmers are in other races or in marshalling, however they must be of the same gender as the swimmer due to be receiving the medal.

Victory ceremonies for RELAY EVENTS will take place 10 minutes before the start of the following evening finals session. Relay swimmers in the top 3 teams must go to the presentation area at 5.40pm to be ready for the presentations at 5.50pm. They must advise the presentation official they are present.