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ASSESSMENT SWIM FORM 2026



This form must be received no later than 14 days before the swim tide and no later than 31st July

Reg No. 26 - CSPF / _____ (for office use)

Notes

Read the current CS&PF information and rules on <http://cspf.co.uk> before completing this form

- This Assessment Swim Certificate should be included, if possible, with your Solo or Membership form. Completed and signed form can be sent to the CS&PF by uploading its scan during the completion of either Solo or Membership online forms or alternatively emailed to office@cspf.co.uk.
- This form must be received by the CS&PF **no later than 14 days prior to the start of your swim tide for your attempt and no later than 31st July (whichever is earlier)**, failing which your application will be invalid, unless confirmed in writing by the CS&PF in its discretion. This form is not for use for any other purpose.
- It is the responsibility of all swimmers to consider and assess their swimming aptitude, ability and fitness in the context of an attempt to swim the English Channel as part of a relay team or as a solo crossing (as applicable) under the auspices of the CS&PF, as well as researching and assessing the risks presented by the range of possible conditions which may be faced as part of that attempt.
- This Assessment Swim Certificate is to help provide the CS&PF and your pilot with evidence that each applicant has carried out that self-assessment.
- The form must be used to provide details and evidence (e.g. by attaching relevant documentary proof) that you have satisfactorily completed a required swim, as follows: For a solo attempt - a 6-hour swim in water 61°F/16°C or less (or proof of completion in a recognised event for a period considered by the CS&PF to be an acceptable alternative) wearing no clothing or aids to enhance heat-retention, buoyancy or speed and conducted at any time up to 18 months before the start of the tidal period during which you have booked your swim
- For a relay attempt - a swim of at least 1.5 hours swim then leave the water for a minimum of 1 hour and a maximum of 1.5 hours – then return to the water and swim for 1 more hour in water 61°F/16°C or less wearing no clothing or aids to enhance heat-retention, buoyancy or speed and conducted at any time up to 18 months before the start of the tidal period during which you have booked your swim.
- These swims are short compared to your Channel swim attempt and should not be treated as training swims. Your training should include regular swims of longer durations.
- Relay team leaders: It is your responsibility to assess your and your team's ability and make everyone aware that they are responsible for their own actions and the care of the other team members.
- You acknowledge and accept that the completion of a required 6-hour swim (for a solo) or required relay assessment swim as described above in no way implies any representation by the CS&PF that you have completed sufficient training or that it's appropriate for you to make such an attempt.
- The observer on an assessment swim must be a person over the age of 18 who is prepared to put their name, signature and contact details on the form to attest that they have witnessed the assessment swim.

Swimmer

First name		Surname	
Date of birth		Nationality	
Address			
Town/City		Postcode	
County/State		Country	
Email			
Contact phone(s)			

CS&PF Swim

CS&PF Swim	Solo ☐ Relay ☐	Relay name	
Pilot		Tide start	

Recognized Swim

Indicate if you wish CS&PF to consider a recognised swim event in place of arranging your own, observed, Assessment Swim. If yes, please provide details in the Additional Notes section and attach appropriate certification or other evidence. Otherwise please complete the Assessment Swim section.

Recognized Swim? Yes ☐ No ☐

State the name, date and details of your attempt for any recognised swim event which you want the CS&PF to consider in place of your own, observed, Assessment Swim:

Notes	
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Assessment Swim

Date		Location	
Time in		Time out	
Duration		Distance (approx.)	
Time in (relay 2nd swim)		Time out (relay 2nd swim)	
Duration (relay 2nd swim)		Distance (approx.) (relay 2nd swim)	
Water	Fresh ☐ Saline ☐	Water Temp	

SWIMMER I certify that the information provided is true and not misleading.

Name		Signature	
Date			

FOR SWIMMERS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE A PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST ALSO SIGN THIS FORM

NAME OF PARENT / GUARDIAN OF SWIMMER		Signature	
Date			

Observer's Details

First name		Surname	
Address			
Email			
Contact phone(s)			
Club/Assc'n and position			

Observer's Signature

Observer should sign if you arranged your own Assessment Swim*.

I certify that I observed the entire swim and that the information provided is true and not misleading

Name		Signature	
Date			

*CS&PF will accept a separate certificate signed by selected observers, in place of the observer signing this form - check with the CS&PF Office if not sure.