



Singapore Artistic Swimming Virtual Test Event – Youth (13-15) & Junior (15-18) 25 September 2021

This invitation is extended to Singapore local clubs only.

1. Organizer

Singapore Swimming Association (SSA)

2. Event Concept

The Singapore Artistic Swimming Virtual Test Event – Youth (13-15) & Junior (15-18) category is a “test” event to be held during this global COVID-19 pandemic, in preparation for the organization of future virtual competitions if circumstances do not permit physical participation. The concept is to present, via webcast, a virtual event featuring filmed videos of routines from our local Club. The videos will be submitted in advance to SSA and judged by panels of local Judges before the webcast date. The final webcast event will feature the routine videos with final scores.

3. Programme Timeline

Timeline	Dates	Remarks
Announcement	13 August 2021	Via Email
Briefing to Clubs	16 August 2021	Via zoom
Briefing to Judges	20 August 2021	Via zoom
Registration deadline	27 August 2021, 12pm	Submission of Form A
Submission of video filming window selection date & time	3 September 2021, 12pm	Submission of Form B
Routine video filming period	4 to 12 September 2021	Submission of routine video, routine music in mp3 format and Form C
Routine start list & Compilation of videos	13 September 2021	-
Judging	18 September 2021	OCBC AQC
Webcast	25 September 2021	SSA platform

4. Rules

The Competition will be governed by the rules in the FINA Handbook 2017 - 2021 as well as the rules of Singapore Swimming Association. The Organising Committee and SSA reserve the right to amend any rules, if the circumstances require such changes. The decisions of the Organising Committee and SSA are final.

5. Competition Events

- Youth (13 to 15) category – Solo Free routine only
 - for swimmers born between 1 Jan 2006 to 31 Dec 2008.
- Junior (15 to 18) category - Solo Free routine only
 - for swimmers born between 1 Jan 2003 to 31 Dec 2006.
- Swimmers who are 15 years old can elect to enter in either the youth or Junior category, not both.
- No swim up is allowed
- Require full competition costume, make up and gelatine, no goggles.

6. Entries

- No restriction on number of entries per club.
- Swimmers in the current National Age Group 13-15 team are eligible to represent their respective Clubs.
- Swimmers in current National Team are not eligible to participate in this test event.
- Male swimmers are welcome and will be judged together with female swimmers. No separate result listing for male and female categories.
- If there are less than 3 entries for any of the events, SSA reserves the right to cancel the event.

7. Award

- An electronic certificate of participation will be emailed to the clubs for all participating swimmers.

8. Information on Virtual Event Video

- **Routine Video:** Each routine video is to be filmed continuously with no editing. The routine video must capture the swimmer from the full walk on, deck work, routine in the water, getting out of the water and standing at the deck waiting for the scores, just as in a regular competition.
- **Performance Window:** To simulate a physical competition environment, the routine video must be filmed within the allowed window period. For each routine entered, the Club will be given a 60-minute window to film the routine and submit the recorded routine video. A passcode will be sent to each Club 30 minutes prior to the start of the filming window period. The passcode will need to be displayed at the start of the walk on and again when the swimmers stand on the pool deck waiting for their scores for 10 seconds.

- **Resolution of the video:** All videos must be filmed at a resolution of 1080p HD, at 30 frames per second (fps).
- **Filming Position:** The person in charge of filming the routine should be at the side of the pool, exactly in the middle (at 12.5m for 25m pools), 1m from the water edge, with the starting platform to their right. The camera should be elevated to 1.8m from the ground, which is the average height from which judges normally judge the routines. Whenever possible, tripods should be used. Zooming may be used with care.
- **Suggested Equipment:** A high-resolution camera (not a phone or tablet) is highly recommended to ensure quality and ability to zoom. Camera should be mounted on a tripod to ensure stability. It is recommended that sound be fed directly into the camera by a cable to ensure the best sound.
**** NOTE - for this virtual test event only, routines taken on iPad or tablet are allowed (BUT not a mobile phone).**
- **Pool Deck:** The pool deck should be kept clear of any training equipment, bags, towels, etc.
- **Sponsor Banners:** Club can use sponsorship banners around the pool deck during their filming of the routine.
- **Compulsory Considerations:** Each routine video that is submitted will be reviewed by SSA secretariat for quality. If it is deemed that the video quality is not high enough for accurate judging, you may be asked to record again. Do take note of the following:
 - Video must be filmed in landscape mode (horizontal)
 - All athletes must always be seen on the screen
 - No talking or noise must be heard, other than music
 - There should be NO major glare which would prevent judges from accurately seeing the routine
- **Submission of file should include:**
 - Routine video recording,
 - Routine music (in mp3 format) and
 - Form B - Routine Information form for the announcer

These files listed must be submitted during the scheduled timeframe assigned via WeTransfer platform. You can easily set up a free account and send files up to 2 GB in size. Once your account is set up, go to Transfers, and when you submit your files, please send it to nur.zahidah@swimming.org.sg; the SSA competition secretariat will send an acknowledgement email once it has been received.

Routine videos to be named as follows:

Category_Event_Club_LastName_First Name

E.g: YOUTH (13-15)_SOLO_CLUB_LAST NAME_FIRST NAME

9. Entry Fees

- The cost of the entry fees is waived for this test event.

10. Judges

- Judges will be nominated by SSA for this test event.

Notwithstanding the “Conflict of Interest” policy in the FINA rules, SSA may, for this particular event, appoint judges related to the swimmer. This is an exception to the FINA rule and shall NOT be deemed as a precedent for future events.

11. Inquiries & Contact

Please address any inquiries, regarding the meet , by email to:

Singapore Swimming Association

Nur Zahidah

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Telephone: (65) 6258 1011



FORM A: REGISTRATION FORM

Club Name	
Abbreviation (3 Letter)	
Contact Person Name	
Email	
Contact number	

Category- Youth (13-15) Junior (15-18)	Gender (F/M)	Names (First/Last)	Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

To be submitted no later than 27 August 2021, 12pm
Please email all completed forms to nur.zahidah@swimming.org.sg



FORM C: ROUTINE INFORMATION FORM

Please complete one sheet for each entry.

Club Name	
Abbreviation (3 Letter)	
Club Coach Name	
Contact Person Name	
Email	
Contact number	

Performance Technical Details

Theme of Routine	
Music & Artist	

Athletes Information

Athlete Name	
The athlete is coached by	
How long has the athlete been in Artistic Swimming	

To be submitted with routine video
Please email all completed forms to nur.zahidah@swimming.org.sg