

# 2020 USA Artistic Swimming

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## U.S. Junior & 13 – 15 Championship

### April 2 – 5, 2020

### Mesa, AZ



## Final Meet Announcement

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## Meet Manager

Baylee Robinson: USA Artistic Swimming Event Manager  
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## Facility

[Skyline Aquatics Center](#)  
845 S Crismon Rd  
Mesa, AZ 85208  
480-644-6040

## Pool Specs

Outdoor Competition Pool  
Length: 70 meters, bulkhead will be placed at 30 meters  
Width: 25 yards  
Depth: 13.5ft at start end, sloping to 7ft at bulkhead  
Distance from deck to water: 0"

There is also a six-lane pool at 45ft x 25 yards with depth of 5.5 ft

## Host Hotel Information

Please book with the link provided by TEAM Solutions. Click [HERE](#).

**This is a Stay to Play event. Booking outside of the room block will result in a fee charged to the team per individual. Click [HERE](#) for more information.**

## Airport Information

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport – 27 miles  
Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport – 10 miles

## Tickets

\$10.00 day pass for 18 – 65 years of age  
\$5.00 day pass for 6 – 17 years of age and Seniors 66 and over  
\$30.00 event pass for 18 – 65 years of age  
\$15.00 event pass for 6 – 17 years of age and Seniors 66 and over  
Free admission to Life Members and children 5 years of age and younger  
Online tickets can be purchased [HERE](#)

## Rules to Govern

2017 – 2021 FINA Artistic Swimming Rules with two major exceptions. 1) .25 deduction for each competitor fewer than 8 on a free or technical team. 2) Competitors aged 13 - 14 may compete in the Junior Free Combination event. See USAS rulebook for additional exceptions.

### Forms

FORM A – E can be found [HERE](#)

## Registration

### **Event Registration Opens: January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Check-in onsite: Wednesday, April 1 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Check-in onsite: Thursday April 2 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

During other competition times, check with the meet managers. Hand-in banners at registration, facility staff will hang them.

Qualified registered competitors must have attained Grade Level 5 for entry into the 2020 U.S. Junior and Grade Level 4 for the 2020 U.S. 13-15 Championship. For Grade Level requirements, see USA Artistic Swimming Grade Level Manual.

### **Entry Deadline: March 5, 2020**

Complete online registration at [www.usasynchro.org](http://www.usasynchro.org) for Entries and Fees, Officials and Credentials. U.S. entries are accepted online only.

Late Fees: As stated in Appendix C, per USAS Rule CP 5.5.1, any entry to a National Championship received between 28 and 7 days prior to the first day of the competition shall be assessed a \$25.00 late fee. Each athlete entered between 28 and 7 days prior to the first day of competition shall be assessed a \$25.00 late entry fee for the first event and an additional \$10.00 late entry fee for each additional event entered. There will be a late fee of \$25.00 on all music change or submitted less than 2 weeks prior to the event. Music Late Fees are charged per routine/ per change. If a qualifying event is held after the entry deadline for this competition, a provisional entry must be submitted according to the above deadline. Within 72 hours of the completion of the qualifying competition, the proof of qualification must be submitted via email to meet scoring chair Nancy Thompson at [nlthiker@aol.com](mailto:nlthiker@aol.com). For all National Championships, no entries shall be accepted between 7 and 0 days prior to the first day of competition

To register online, login to your account from the homepage of the USA Artistic Swimming website by clicking on “My Account”. If you have any technical difficulties or questions, please email or call Baylee Robinson at 719-866-2219 or [baylee@usaartisticswim.org](mailto:baylee@usaartisticswim.org)

## Fee Information

### Entry Fee

\$30.00 per U.S. competitor per routine, including reserves. Any competitor who is listed as a reserve for a routine and who is not swimming any other routine event shall pay the entry fee. (Rulebook, Appendix C)

### Surcharge

\$8.48 per U.S. competitor, including reserves. This surcharge is to cover the live stream. (Rulebook, Appendix C)

### Sponsor Fee

\$30.00 per competitor.

Foreign athletes entering the Championships pay only the Sponsor fee.

## Credentials

Each club will receive coach credentials per the chart below. In addition, each club will receive two team personnel credentials. Additional credentials are \$30 each. Only individuals with required certification are allowed to receive credentials. Credentials are required to be on the pool deck. Coaches, chaperones or other staff registrations received after the entry deadline will be charged a Late Fee of \$ 25.00 per person. See Appendix C.

# of athletes	Maximum # of free credentials	
	Coaches	Chaperones
1 - 10	2	1
11 - 15	3	2
16 - 20	4	2
21 - 25	5	3
26 - 30	6	3
31 - 35	7	4
36 - 40	8	4
41 - 45	9	5
46 - 50	10	5

## Officials

Please register online by the entry deadline. In addition, please e-mail Judges Administrator, Shannon Korpela, with your intent to attend at [s\\_korpela@msn.com](mailto:s_korpela@msn.com) Those wishing to take the National judge's tests should notify Shari at [shari@usaartisticswim.org](mailto:shari@usaartisticswim.org). Judges uniform shall be white shirts and black pants.

## Coaches Certification and SafeSport

CCP Level 1 - Required for all coaches to be on deck at any sanctioned competition.

CCP Level 2 - Required for all coaches to be on deck at any Regional, Zone or National

Championship.

CCP Level 3 - Required for all coaches to be on deck at any Zone or National Championship.

Background Screening - Required for all coaches on deck at any sanctioned competition. See Appendix Q for full list.

SafeSport - Required for all coaches and team managers to be on deck at any sanction competition. (This includes chaperones, trainers, and any other team personnel).

CPR/First Aid - Required for all coaches to be on deck at any sanctioned competition.

Registered coaches will be verified and those holding the required certifications will be granted credentials. If you have any questions, contact Baylee Robinson at [baylee@usaartisticsswim.org](mailto:baylee@usaartisticsswim.org).

## Sound and Music

We will be using digital music for this competition. It is essential all music be sent by email in advance. Email music files to Chris Leahy at [leahycm@gmail.com](mailto:leahycm@gmail.com) by March 18, 2020. **All music submitted/changed less than 2 weeks prior to the event will be charged a \$25.00 late fee.** Music Late Fees are per routine/ per change. Routines will be electronically timed in advance. Upon receipt of the music, a report will be sent containing the measured times for each routine.

Digital music files (M4A, MP3) are to be submitted for routines for this competition.

- Music files may be sent as email attachments or shared using a file sharing/ transfer service.
  - o Dropbox, Google Drive, OneDrive, WeTransfer, etc.
- We recommend submitting 160+ kbit/sec M4A/AAC or higher quality audio for best sound results.
- If sending MP3 files, 192+ kbit/sec is recommended.
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- A device with a 1/8" TRS (headphone) jack is acceptable as a backup.
- A CD player will NOT be available as back up.
- Contact Chris if you have any questions.
- Use the following naming conventions (see bolded below) when saving files.
  - o Routine names should be "space" separated
  - o **Duet Free CDY Smith**

Duet Free = Routine event

CDY = Club Abbreviation / Three Letter Code

Smith = Last name of the first alphabetical member of the routine

Email Baylee Robinson - [baylee@usasynchro.org](mailto:baylee@usasynchro.org) if you do not know your code

## Scoring

Nancy Thompson at [nlthiker@aol.com](mailto:nlthiker@aol.com)

## Tentative Event Schedule

Click [HERE](#)

Officials and Coaches meeting to be posted in the final schedule.

## Eligibility number of events

Each competitor may compete in no more than 3 different routine events in the 13 - 15 competition and 3 different routine events in the Junior competition. The Free Combination event does not count as one of the 3 routine events. All qualifying rules must be met for whatever event is being entered. Please refer to USA Artistic Swimming Rulebook for complete rules.

## 13 -15 Events

Competition in Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet, and Team, consisting of Figures and Freestyle routines. All 13 - 15 Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet, and Team competitors will compete in Figures and Free routines. Top twelve (12) routines in each event (combined Figures and Free routines scores) will advance to Finals.

**Qualifications:** The top four (4) Solos, Duets, Mixed Duets, and Teams are qualified determined by the combined Free routine and Figure scores at the most recent 13 - 15 ZONE Championships. In addition, each Zone shall receive one additional entry for each Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet or Team routine it places in the Finals at the previous U.S. 13 - 15 Championship (see chart below). If a Zone qualifier elects not to compete in the U.S. 13 - 15 Championship, the next highest ranked Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet or Team from the most recent 13 - 15 Zone Championship shall become eligible to enter the U.S. 13 – 15 Championship. For notification responsibilities, see Rule CP 5.4. The Host Association may also enter a Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet or Team if not otherwise represented in the Championship (see Rule CP 3.4.2.1.2 for further details). Current National Training Center athletes may elect to compete in either Solo, Duet or Mixed Duet if not otherwise qualified (see Rule CP 3.4.2.2 for further details).

## 13 -15 Figures

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<b>423</b>	Ariana	2.2
<b>143</b>	Rio	3.1

The remaining two figures will be drawn from the 13-15 Selection Groups on Monday, March 30, 2020 by 1pm MST. Be sure to follow USA Artistic Swimming on Facebook and Instagram. In addition to sending an email to all USA Artistic Swimming technical members, we will announce the figure selection on Facebook and Instagram.

## Junior Events

Competition in Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet and Team, consisting of Junior Technical and Free routines. Top twelve (12) routines in each event (combined Junior Technical and Free routine scores) will advance to Finals.

**Qualifications:** The top six (6) Solos, Duets, Mixed Duets, and Teams are qualified determined by the combined Technical and Free routine scores at the most recent JUNIOR ZONE Championships. In addition, each Zone shall receive one additional entry for each Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet or Team routine it places in the Finals at the previous U.S. Junior Championship (see chart below). If a Zone qualifier elects not to compete in the U.S. Junior Championship, the next highest ranked Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet or Team from the most recent Junior Zone Championship shall become eligible to enter the U.S. Junior Championship. For notification responsibilities, see Rule CP 5.4. The Host Association may also enter a Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet or Team if not otherwise represented in the Championship (see Rule CP 3.3.2.1.2 for further details). Current National Training Center athletes may elect to compete in either Solo, Duet or Mixed Duet if not otherwise qualified (see Rule CP 3.3.2.2 for further details).

## Free Combination Event

### **Free Combination Event General Rules for 13-15 and Junior:**

1. Free Combination may enter without regards to qualifications.
2. All Free Combination routines must have 8 – 10 competitors.
3. Competitors must be from the same club.

### **Additional event rules for 13-15 Free Combination event:**

1. Competitors must be 13-15 years of age.
2. Competitors will receive points from the Free Combination event toward the 13-15 High Point Individual or Team awards. To qualify for 13-15 Team points, a Free Combination routine must have at least 1 competitor participating in other U.S. 13-15 Championship events. To qualify for 13-15 Individual points, a competitor must participate in at least 1 other U.S. 13-15 Championship event.

### **Additional event rules for Junior Free Combination event:**

1. Competitors who are 13 and 14 years of age may participate in the Junior Free Combination Event.
2. Competitors will receive points from the Free Combination event toward the Junior High Point Individual or Team awards. To qualify for Junior Team points, a Free Combination routine must have at least 1 competitor participating in other U.S. Junior Championship events. To qualify for Junior Individual points, a competitor must participate in at least 1 other U.S. Junior Championship event.

## Additional Qualified Entries

The Zones listed below are eligible to enter the following number of additional routines per event from their final's finish placements in the previous year's competitions.



Championship	Solo	Duet	Team
U.S. Junior Free	East 4, West 6, North 1 South 1	East 4, West 8, North 0, South 0	East 4, West 6, North 0, South 2
U.S. 13-15	East 1, West 10, North 0, South 1	East 2, West 10, North 0, South 0	East 3, West 6, North 2, South 1

## Foreign Federations

Foreign Federations may enter the U.S. 13-15 and U.S. Junior Championship in accordance with the information posted in the invitation [HERE](#). Foreign Federation entry forms for the U.S. National Championship are at the link above.

## Awards

### Free Combination Awards

Athletes who place 1-3 in the Free Combination final competition shall be awarded medals. Free Combination DOES count toward the High Point (individual and team.)

Foreign Competitors shall receive honorary placements, and if finishing in the top 12, shall swim in Finals and receive honorary awards. Foreign competitors shall not be eligible to be pre-swimmer(s).

### Junior Awards

Athletes who place 1-3 in the combined Junior Technical and Final Free events shall be awarded medals for the combined event. Medals shall be given to reserves who swim either the Preliminary or Final Free routine.

Foreign Competitors shall receive honorary placements, and if finishing in the top 12, shall swim in Finals and receive honorary awards. Foreign competitors shall not be eligible to be pre-swimmer(s).

### 13 – 15 Awards

Athletes who place 1 - 3 in FINALS for Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet and Team events shall be awarded medals in each event. Athletes who place 1 - 3 in FIGURES shall be awarded medals. Medals shall be given to reserves who swim either the Preliminary or Final Free routine.

Foreign Competitors shall receive honorary placements, and if finishing in the top 12, shall swim in Finals and receive honorary awards. Foreign competitors shall not be eligible to be pre-swimmer(s).

## Venue Rules

Gelling is allowed in a specified area only. Please keep areas clean and pick up bobby pins. There will be absolutely NO DE GELLING allowed at the facility. A \$100.00 team fine will be placed on the club account if found de gelling.

Athletes are responsible for their own gel. There will be a carafe of hot water available in a specific gelling station area.

No Glass Containers in pool area, lobby, bathrooms or parking lot

No Shaving/Gelling in the Bathrooms

No Alcoholic Beverages or Containers in pool area, lobby, bathrooms or parking lot

No Smoking/Vaping/E-Cigarette in pool area, lobby, bathrooms or parking lot

No Refunds offered for Vending Machines

No propping open of any external gates/exits

Any vendors inside the facility must be approved

## Tent Rentals & Practice Space

Contact Christine McMaster-Shaw at [mcmaster.christineanne@gmail.com](mailto:mcmaster.christineanne@gmail.com)

Tent & Table Rental: \$150 for four days

Please email Christine for practice space availability.

## Hospitality

Meals in hospitality are for judges and officials. If there is additional food available after they have eaten, it will be made available to coaches.

There will be snacks and drinks available every day throughout the day for all coaches, judges, and officials.

## Photo Regulations

Any photographs, videotape or other audio and/or visual recordings of the event created by a spectator may be used solely for such spectator's personal non-commercial use, and may not be broadcast, published or disseminated or used for any commercial purposes, without the prior written consent of USA Artistic Swimming. Personal use photography by the audience will be allowed, from the stands, as long as not obstructing the view of others, with any camera using no flash. Photographs must be for personal, non-commercial use.

## Live Web Streaming

We will provide LIVE coverage for anyone wanting to watch and be a part of the event. We highly encourage friends and family to tune in live. Click [HERE](#).

## Merchandising

Team IP will be the Official Merchandiser and Online Sales Partner of USA Artistic Swimming.

## **Photography**

To be determined.

## **Event Cancellation Policy**

When a USA Artistic Swimming (USAAS) event is cancelled or interrupted due to acts or threats of war, acts or threats of terrorism, acts of God, or a health risk alert, event entry refunds will be made to individuals or teams on a prorated basis once all of USAAS's out-of-pocket expenditures for the cancelled or interrupted event have been settled from such fees.