



EUROPEAN JUNIOR ARTISTIC SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS



INFORMATION BULLETIN 1

30 JUNE – 04 JULY 2021

MALTA



Dear Friends,

The Aquatic Sports Association of Malta has been entrusted with the organisation of the LEN European Junior Artistic Swimming Championships 2021.

This will be held at the Tal-Qroqq Sports Complex on the 30th June and the 4th July 2021.

The Organising Committee will certainly do its utmost to ensure the best and most convenient arrangements during the competition in accordance with LEN and FINA Rules and Regulations.

In the information bulletin attached you will find the necessary documents which will enable the ASA to make the reservations for both accommodation and transfers throughout your stay in Malta. Due to the fact that the competition is being held during a busy period in Malta, I urge you to give us the information requested in earnest.

I look forward to welcoming you to Malta and hope that you will enjoy your visit to our Islands.

Very best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe Caruana Curran'.

Joe Caruana Curran
President

VENUE

The Tournament shall be held at the Tal-Qroqq Sports Complex in Gzira, in an open-air 50-meter pool with an adjacent 25 X 25-meter diving pool. This diving pool will be used for warm-up and cool down during the competition. The venue is equipped with Omega electronic timing equipment, a scoreboard displaying running time of the match, exclusion time and score as well as names of teams and players. Four shot clocks are also available.



The Tal-Qroqq Sports Complex abides by International Olympic Swimming Standards and follows safety procedures on security, first aid and fire-fighting and also provides medical care on call.

Other facilities available at the complex are changing rooms and showers, meeting rooms, a sports shop and a cafeteria. The spectator capacity is 3000 pax.



COMPETITION REGULATIONS

The Tournament will be run in accordance with the LEN and FINA Rules and the Event Regulations governing the European Junior Artistic Swimming Championships.

All LEN Federations are eligible to participate in this competition.

Athletes must be between 15 and 18 years old as on 31 December 2021. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the fact that this competition had to be held last year, athletes born in 2002 are also eligible.

Maximum of one (1) entry per national federation per event is allowed.

PRELIMINARY SANITARY REQUIREMENTS FOR COVID-19

As this stands, the following preliminary sanitary requirements for COVID-19, are considered to apply according to both the Maltese and European COVID-19 guidelines on the prevention of virus' spreading. Based on the evolution of the epidemiological situation things could be changed.

To minimize the risk to the event from COVID-19, a large extension of the cooperation of the teams, their athletes, officials, technical staff, the venue staff, and all those involved in the event is crucial. Therefore, LEN and LOC expect all parties to adhere to hygiene best practices both in the controlled event environments and in their day-to-day lives. All precautions set out in this document must be strictly accepted by all those involved.

The European Aquatics Sanitary Guideline sets out the framework of medical, sanitary, and hygiene procedures together with the operations that are to be applied at this competition. The difficulty is to foresee how Covid-19 will evolve, either in terms of epidemiology or like the countermeasures imposed by national governments, whilst it is almost impossible to establish a completely risk-free environment, the aim is to lower the risk as far as possible by applying current medical advice and best practices.

Given the overall situation and the regulatory conditions which may occur in the coming month, the Protocol may be revised and adapted at any changes. The Sanitary Guideline is subject to legal provisions and other orders issued by the competent local authorities in the various countries.

This means creating a protected and contained environment for athletes and technical staff to provide them with a separated 'bubble' corridor for all movements into, within, and out of the venue, and establish best practice principles for the protection and safety of all working staff involved in delivering the match. The aim is to minimize the number of contacts between different groups involved in the event, to reduce the possibility of any cross-contagion between groups, and therefore, to limit the number of people that may need to be tested.

The European Aquatics Guidelines include medical and operational obligations for all parties taking part in the Event. These obligations are applied in preparing the venues, subject to any additional measures imposed by the local authorities.

LEN is entrusted with the operational management of the Guidelines and entitled to take a decision and adopt operational provisions for the implementation of the Guidelines in particular given the different events to be organized as well as to amend it accordingly because of the COVID-19 development and the changing of the National conditions. Non-compliance with the obligations set out in the protocol may lead to disciplinary measures according to the LEN regulation.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19 the event will be run in a bubble (an umbrella term for the Training Location, the Competition Venue, the Hotel, and the buses involved in the transportation of the Teams).

For all participants the entry into the bubble is subject to the following procedures:

1. Procedures before entering the country:

- a. All participants shall have one negative Sars-Cov-2 PCR test performed 48 hours before arrival to Italy. It must be written in English.
- b. Before departure, Test results must be sent to the LEN to the following email: test-management@len.eu

2) Procedures upon entry in the country:

- a. Participants will be subject to border control.
- b. The use of protecting masks for all participants is mandatory at any time.
- c. Participants will collect and carry their luggage.
- d. Representatives from LOC will meet participants however keeping social distance.
- e. Participants will be informed by the COVID Marshal concerning accessing the bus and transportation to the Hotel. It's mandatory to pick up ONLY LOC transfers that will be available upon arrival at the official port of entries;
- f. Participants will be transported to their Hotel. Upon the arrival they will be subject to the first Sars-Cov-2 Rapid Antigen Test and PCR Test. The rapid test will allow to access the hotel room.
- g. The negative result of the rapid antigen test will allow to access the hotel room. Once the negative result of PCR will be delivered, participant will be allowed to leave the hotel room.
- h. Participants occupy the room reserved for them.

- 3) Procedures during the event: All teams must be accompanied by a doctor who is responsible to communicate daily any possible onset of symptoms from COVID-19. This communication must be made only to the LEN Medical Delegate.
- a. During the Championships all members of the team (athletes and staff) must not leave the bubble and are required to strictly respect the anti-COVID rules (please see below).
 - b. Training and Competition Venues are exclusively used for the Championships during the period thereof.
 - c. Only Participants with an access authorization may enter the Training and Competition Venue.
 - d. No team photographs may be taken, no handshakes, hugs or any other form of close contact is allowed.
 - e. If necessary, Participants may use the separated toilets, they cannot use the showers and locker rooms, gym, jacuzzi, ice baths.
 - f. The movement of Participants is strictly scheduled; all Competitors of the previous Team must leave the Training Location before another Team could enter. The Training Location must be cleaned and disinfected after all Sessions, as per protocol. Competitors exit the Training and Competition Venue via the designated exit and return to the Hotel.
 - g. Equipment used for training must be disinfected after use.
 - h. In the pool area:
 - i. Competitors must follow the “enter, train, leave” rule;
 - ii. Participants’ movement routes are pre-defined and allocated to each of them;
 - iii. the area around the pool shall be disinfected according to the protocol approved by LEN and Local Authorities.
 - i. Toilets, boxes and pools are cleaned by a designated, permanent cleaning personnel.
 - j. In line with the protocol, the toilets, washbasins, doorknobs and handles, along with other equipment is continuously disinfected after each use.
 - k. Pre-triage check: Upon each entry to the Bubble, participants are subjected to temperature measurement and “declaration of participants” collection. It’s mandatory to inform the LEN Medical Delegate immediately in case of any COVID-19 symptoms.
 - l. Screening protocol: in the middle of the event another Ag Test will be performed to all participants.

For those requiring a swab before departure, please be informed that tests will be made 48h before departure. Kindly advise as soon as possible which kind of swab (Antigen or PCR) you need.

In the preliminary Entry Form, you will be asked to fill in information for swab for coming back home at the current status of the laws of your country and you can update this information at a later stage.



For any requests during your stay in Malta, you can use the following email address: info@asaofmalta.eu.

Further information on Test Protocol, Procedures concerning close contacts, and Protocol concerning the conduct and use of protective equipment will be provided at a later stage.

ACCREDITATIONS

Federations entering this competition will receive accreditations (free of charge) for the following members of their team:-

- President of the Federation
- Head of Delegation
- Competitors
- A physician
- Team staff members :
 - 5 for up to 5 competitors
 - 6 for up to 8 competitors
 - 7 for more than 8 competitors

The number of team staff members may not exceed the number of competitors. Team Staff Members may include Team Leaders, Chaperones, Coaches, Physiotherapists, Interpreters, etc. Officials such as judges are not considered as team staff members.

PASSPORT CHECK

The Head of Delegation must present the passport of each team member before collecting the accreditation cards. The data on accreditation card will be compared to the data on valid passports of all participants and staff members.

MUSIC

The performance music should be prepared according to FINA Rule AS 15.3 Method 2. Team managers/coaches are responsible for submitting their music electronically in .mp3 format. Each submission shall be labelled as to event, name of competitors and national federation.



ENTRY VISAS

Some countries may require an entry Visa to Malta. We suggest you confirm this from your end and should you require any assistance please contact us in order to provide our support in obtaining the necessary Visa.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The official hotel accommodating the LEN Delegates, Officials and teams is The Dolmen Hotel. The Organising Committee reserves the right to accommodate teams at other hotels of the same category should the need arise. **The rates, on full board, are guaranteed if bookings are made by not later than 15th May 2021.**

Dolmen Hotel		
St Paul's Bay	Single Room	€175/person/night
4* Superior	Twin Room	€140/person/night



TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

Free transportation will be offered only to the participating teams who book their hotel through the ASA as follows:

- Airport transfers to and from the official hotel
- Transfers for all training sessions and events from the official hotels to the pool and return.

PAYMENTS

A 50% deposit of the team's total accommodation costs is to be made by Bank Transfer to the Account of the Association as shown below by not later than **17th May 2021** and the remaining balance must be settled by the **30th May 2021**.

Bank Of Valletta plc
St. Venera: MALTA
Bank's BIC: VALLMTMT
ASA - Aquatic Sports Association of Malta
IBAN: MT83 VALL 2201 3000 0000 4001 6038 534

MEETINGS

- The **Technical Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 29th June 2021 at 10:00hrs** at the Official Hotel.
- The **Officials Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 29th June 2021 at 14:00hrs** at the Official Hotel.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

17th May 2021	Submission of Preliminary Entry Form
20th May 2021	Submission of Preliminary Hotel Reservation Form
30th May 2021	Payment of 50% of the Accommodation Costs
10th June 2021	Settlement of balance of Accommodation Costs
10th June 2021	Submission of Final Hotel Reservation Form

EVENTS

SOLO FREE



SOLO TECHNICAL



DUET FREE



DUET TECHNICAL



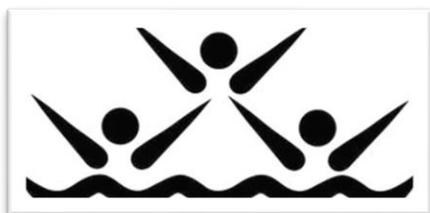
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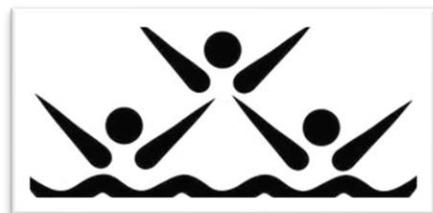
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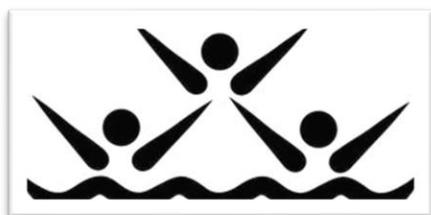
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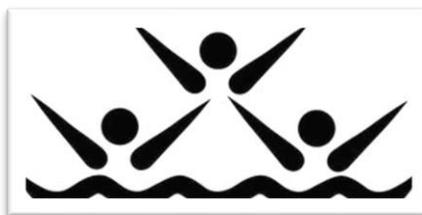
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FREE COMBINATION



HIGHLIGHTS



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY 28 TH JUNE	08:00 – 20:00	PRACTICE
TUESDAY 29 TH JUNE	08:00 – 20:00 10:00 14:00	PRACTICE TECHNICAL MEETING OFFICIALS' MEETING
WEDNESDAY 30 TH JUNE	08:00 – 15:30 16:00 16:30	PRACTICE OPENING CEREMONY DUET FREE – PRELIMINARIES
THURSDAY 1 ST JULY	10:00	DUET TECHNICAL – FINALS MIXED DUET TECHNICAL -
FINALS	16:30	DUET FREE – FINALS MIXED DUET FREE - FINALS
FRIDAY 2 ND JULY	10:00 16:30	TEAM FREE - FINALS SOLO TECHNICAL – FINALS
SATURDAY 3 RD JULY	10:00 16:30	SOLO FREE – PRELIMINARIES TEAM TECHNICAL - FINALS
SUNDAY 4 TH JULY	10:00 16:30	FREE COMBINATION – FINALS SOLE FREE – FINALS HIGHLIGHTS

PRELIMINARY ENTRY FORM

FEDERATION:	
CONTACT PERSON:	
E-MAIL:	
MOBILE NO:	

No. OF JUDGES		No. OF COMPETITORS:	
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SOLO		DUET		MIXED DUET		TEAM		COMBO	HIGHLIGHTS
TECH	FREE	TECH	FREE	TECH	FREE	TECH	FREE	FREE	FREE

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDENT/SECRETARY	DATE	STAMP OF FEDERATION

THIS FORM IS TO BE RETURNED TO
AQUATIC SPORTS ASSOCIATION OF MALTA
TAL-QROQQ SPORTS COMPLEX, MARIA TERESA SPINELLI STREET, GZIRA GZR 06, MALTA
E-MAIL info@asaofmalta.eu copied to gensecretary@asaofmalta.eu and lenoffice@len.eu
BY NOT LATER THAN 17TH MAY 2021.

PRELIMINARY HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

TEAM:	
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TEAM'S	Arrival Date	Pax	Departure Date	Pax

	1 st Preference	2 nd Preference
HOTEL		

Accommodation	No. of Rooms	No. of Persons	Cost per person per day	No. of Night	Total Cost
Single Rooms					
Double Rooms					
				Total	

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FINAL HOTEL RESERVATION FORM & FLIGHT DETAILS

TEAM:	
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TEAM'S	Arrival Date	Pax	Departure Date	Pax

	1 st Preference	2 nd Preference
HOTEL		

Accommodation	No. of Rooms	No. of Persons	Cost per person per day	No. of Night	Total Cost
Single Rooms					
Double Rooms					
				Total	

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PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

I, the undersigned, hereby authorise my daughter/son to be accommodated at the hotel chosen by their National Federation during the LEN European Junior Artistic Swimming Championships to be held in Malta.

Name of Athlete:

Date of Birth: Age:

Gender: Female / Male

I.D. Card No. :

* My daughter/son is under 16 years of age.

* My daughter/son is 16 years of age or over.

Signature - Parent/Guardian

Full Name

Date: