

**LA84 Festival**  
**Novice Synchronized Swimming Rules**  
**Summer 2017**

\*These rules are in addition to the LA84 Foundation Program Rules for Novice Synchronized Swimming.

*Even years you may perform solos, duets, and / or teams.  
Odd years you may perform solos, trios and / or teams.*

**I. ELIGIBILITY**

- A. Participants should compete in a championship meet to qualify for the LA84 Festival.
- B. Small agencies have the opportunity to bring 2 routines per age group per category.
- 2 Midget Beginner Solos
  - 2 Midget Beginner Duets/Trios and 2 Midget Advanced Duets/Trios
  - 2 Midget Teams
  - 2 Junior Beginner Solos
  - 2 Junior Beginner Duets/Trios and 2 Junior Advanced Duets/Trios
  - 2 Junior Teams
  - 2 Senior Beginner Solos
  - 2 Senior Beginner Duets/Trios and 2 Senior Advanced Duets/Trios
  - 2 Senior Teams
- C. LA City and LA County have the opportunity to bring 3 routines per age group per category. *LA City is limited to 2 routines per age group per category for the 2015 program year. (One entry per each region, i.e. 1 Midget Beginner Solo from North, 1 Midget Beginner Solo from South and 1 Midget Beginner Solo from East and so on...)*
- 3 Midget Beginner Solos
  - 3 Midget Beginner Duets/Trios and 3 Midget Advanced Duets/Trios
  - 3 Midget Teams
  - 3 Junior Beginner Solos
  - 3 Junior Beginner Duets/Trios and 3 Junior Advanced Duets/Trios
  - 3 Junior Teams
  - 3 Senior Beginner Solos
  - 3 Senior Beginner Duets/Trios and 3 Senior Advanced Duets/Trios
  - 3 Senior Teams
- D. In the event of a tie, please bring only your agencies allotted entries. If there is a tie between routines:
- Small agencies would enter the 2 routines with the top scores from the event. **Do not bring 3 routines.**

- Large agencies would enter the 3 routines with the top scores from the event. **Do not bring 4 routines.**

E. All rules applicable during the regular season carry over to the festival.

## II. MEET PROGRAM

A. Meet entries should be hand delivered to Kathryn Lasick:

- Anytime before Wednesday, August 7, 2017 at Santa Clarita Aquatic center (20850 Centre Point Parkway, Santa Clarita, CA 91350); or

- At the LA84 Foundation on Wednesday, August 7, 2017 between 10 AM and 12 PM;

- Please submit meet entries only on the LA84 Foundation Synchronized Swimming Festival Routine Sheet, this can be found on the LA84 website. Submit hard copies along with electronic copies with music entries on a USB Drive.

B. The meet program will be completed and sent to all participating agencies via email on Tuesday, August 8, 2017. Each agency will check their information for accuracy and send all changes to the festival host by Wednesday, August 9, 2017. No changes will be made to the program after Wednesday, August 9, 2017.

C. Event Order:

Midget Teams, Junior Teams, Senior Teams  
 Midget Beginner Duets/Trios, Midget Advanced Duets/Trios  
 Junior Beginner Duets/Trios, Junior Advanced Duets/Trios  
 Senior Beginner Duets/Trios, Senior Advanced Duets/Trios  
 Midget Beginner Solos, Junior Beginner Solos, Senior Beginner Solos

## III. HEAD JUDGE

A. The position of head judge will be selected by the LA84 Foundation.

B. The head judge will judge all events throughout the entire meet.

## IV. EQUIPMENT

A. Equipment provided by LA84 Foundation will consist of at least one underwater speaker with an amplifier and office supplies needed at the administration table.

B. The host agency will provide at least one deck speaker, a microphone for announcing, tables, chairs and shade for controllers, judges and the administration table.

## **V. ANNOUNCER**

- A. There will be an announcer present during the entire LA84 Festival.
- B. Before the routine, the announcer is to announce the names of the participants along with the name of the song for the routine.
- C. At the end of the routine, the announcer is to announce the scores for the routine.

## **VI. JUDGES**

- A. Judges will be selected from the participating agencies based on their knowledge of the sport, experience and participation in the coaches' clinic.
- B. All agencies will be required to bring judges. You will be expected to fulfill your submitted judging rosters with your entries on Wednesday, August 7, 2017.
- C. All judges must judge during an entire event. For example, a judge must be consistent throughout the Teams events portion of the competition, Duet/Trio portion of the competition and Solos portion of the competition.

## **VII. COACHES**

- A. Coaches are required to stand in the administration area while their participants are performing a routine. This will allow them to immediately see the score of the routine and begin a protest if necessary at that time.
- B. Coaches are responsible for their participant's behavior during a routine and while in the facility.
- C. Coaches need to display good sportsmanship throughout the LA84 Festival.

## **VIII. AWARDS**

- A. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to places 1-3 in each event.

## **IX. PROTESTS**

- A. Only a violation for misinterpretation of the rules can be opposed.
- B. All protests must be recorded in writing and submitted to the Head Judge at the time of the infractions. All awards involved in events being protested shall be withheld until the protest has been acted upon by a committee consisting of the protesting party (represented by the Coach), the Head Judge, and Aquatic Facility Manager and/or Synchronized Swimming Coordinators. If the protest cannot be resolved immediately, all awards must be held until the Head Judge, the Synchronized Swimming Coordinators and an LA84 Representative can review and resolve the protest.