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Competition Rules & Regulations of the PASA State Age Group Swimming Championships 2027

1. Name

The name of the Championships shall be known as 'P.A.S.A. STATE AGE-GROUP SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS' or 'KEJOHANAN RENANG PERINGKAT USIA NEGERI PULAU PINANG P.R.A.P.P.'

2. Organisation

The Championships shall be organized and hosted by P.A.S.A. or an affiliate of P.A.S.A. on a rotational basis under the auspices and sanction of P.A.S.A. The Championships shall be held on an annual basis preferably during the first quarter of the year or on a suitable date jointly agreed by P.A.S.A. and the host club / venue.

3. Eligibility

3.1 CLUBS / SCHOOLS / ORGANISATIONS officially affiliated to P.A.S.A. and whose dues are current are eligible to participate.

3.2 SWIMMERS who are officially registered to PASA through their respective CLUBS / SCHOOLS / ORGANISATIONS.

3.3 Other organisations may be invited to participate on an invitational basis.

3.4 PASA Annual Affiliation fees of RM100.00 for each club must be paid before the above meet commences.

3.5 All the swimmer's annual registration fees of RM20.00 under each respective Club are to be paid together with the entry fees before the above meet commences.

3.6 **Clubs Representation Rule for Multi-Location Clubs:**

(a) Clubs operating across multiple locations in different states within Malaysia must participate as separate entities based on their specific state locations.

(b) Each club must compete under its own distinct banner corresponding to its state specific state location base of training.

(c) Merging swimmers from various state locations base of training to compete under a single banner will not be permitted.

(d) Clubs found in violation of this rule may face disqualification or other penalties as deemed appropriate by the Organising Committee.

4. Competition

4.1 The Championships shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules and By-Laws of World Aquatics as prescribed in the latest version of the Competition Regulations of Swimming in force at the time of the Championships. In matters not prescribed for, decisions shall rest with the Referee and/or the Organising Committee.

4.2 Events will be held as Time Finals and the seeding arranged as according to World Aquatics (FINA) Rules.

4.3 Age is calculated as at 31st December of the current year of competition.

4.4 Swimmers must swim in their respective Age categories as stated Group below.

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Group O For swimmers 19-30 years old
Group 1 For swimmers 16-18 years old
Group 2 For swimmers 14-15 years old
Group 3 For swimmers 12-13 years old
Group 4 For swimmers 10-11 years old
Group 5 For swimmers 09 years & under

5. Awards

5.1 Participating Clubs shall vie for the 'Chief Minister's Challenge Trophy' and the 'President's Challenge Trophy' for the overall Champion Club(s).

5.2 Participating swimmers shall vie for the 'Best Individual Performer' in their respective categories or groups based on a maximum of eight (8) individual events and for Group O & Group 5 swimmers shall be based on a maximum of six (6) events in that age group.

5.3 Swimmers in each event shall receive gold, silver, and bronze medals and/or certificates according to their finishing position of the event.

5.4 For the award of the 'Buena Fortuna Cup' (formerly known as the 'Chief Minister's Challenge Trophy'), the champion team shall be determined by the highest number of Gold Medals achieved. Where there is a tie in the number of gold medals, the greatest number of silver medals will determine the winner, and so forth for the bronze medals.

5.5 For the award of the 'President's Challenge Trophy', the champion team shall be determined by the highest total number of points achieved.

Allocation of Points	
Record Breaking	**Points**
Break or equal the National Open Record	50
Break or equal the State Open Record	40
Break or equal the National Age Group Record	30
Break or equal the State Age Group Record	20
Break or equal the Meet Record	15

5.6 Swimmers below the Open Age Group category will be awarded an additional 40 points, if the swimmer breaks or equals the State Open records, including the swimmer's respective PASA age group record.

5.7 Swimmers in the Open Age Group category are entitled to only 20 points, even if they break or equal the Open Age Group category, as the swimmer is only competing in their respective age group, which is the Open Age Group category.

5.8 The above points for records broken or equaled shall be awarded in addition to the following:

Position (each)	**Points**
1st	9
2nd	7
3rd	6
4th	5
5th	4
6th	3

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7th	2
8th	1

5.9 Each participating Club shall be awarded a basic score of TEN (10) points initially, for participation.

5.10 For the awards for the "Best Individual Performer" in the respective categories or groups, the winners shall be determined by the accumulative points of eight (8) individual events, however the following order of consideration and/or a combination shall be considered over the points accumulated.

Order of Consideration	
1	Setting or holding new National Record(s).
2	Setting or holding new State Record(s).
3	Setting or holding new Meet Record(s); and
4	Winning Gold(s).
5	Winning Silver(s).
6	Winning Bronze(s).

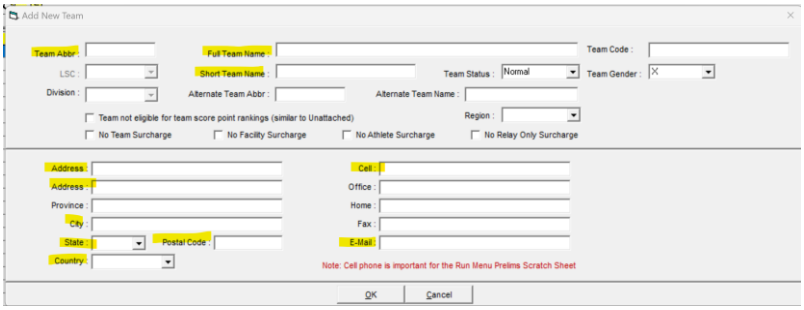
6. Entries

6.1 All entries are to be submitted electronically on the official entry forms via on-line soft copy (Hy-Tek Team Manager software) only and by email to reach the Organizing Secretary of the Organizing Committee as well as a copy/set to the P.A.S.A. Hon. Secretary before or by the set closing date. Teams who do not submit use a Hy-Tek file will be charged an administrative fee of RM50 for every 10 swimmers, to key in their entries. The responsibility for any errors or discrepancies due to wrong entries will lie solely with the team.

6.2 Once the entries are imported into Meet Manager, an Entries Report will be sent to the team. It is the team's responsibility to verify and confirm the Entries Report by the cutoff date and time. Any amendments after that will not be entertained.

6.3 Each Club may enter any number of entries in any one individual event but shall be limited to TWO (2) entries or teams for any one relay event. If both relay teams are in the first three placing, both teams will be awarded. Relays list of swimmers must be submitted as indicated on the Event List. Late submissions will not be entertained. NOTE: Swimmers taking part in the relay only, their names must be submitted in the relay team by Hy-tek

6.4 Please complete the Team Information in the Team Manager software as follows:



Please provide the Team Manager's name, mobile and email address when submitting your entries.

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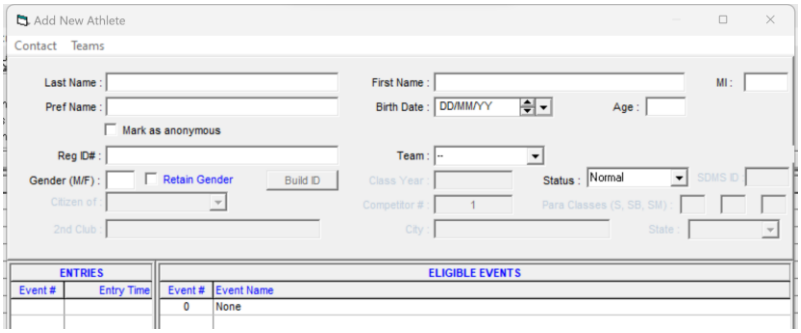
6.5 Each Club, Affiliate or Team is to provide 3 (three) Technical Officials for the entire meet. These Technical Officials must be the same people for the three days.

6.6 Please submit these names, mobile number, T-shirt sizes and car number plate together with the Entries. Clubs, affiliates and teams who do not provide will not be allowed to compete.

Designation	Name	Mobile Number	T-shirt Size	Car License Number
Team Manager			N/A	
Technical Official 1				
Technical Official 2				
Technical Official 3				

6.7 Each competitor may enter a maximum of EIGHT (8) individual events ONLY

6.8 Please register each swimmer in the Team Manager software as follows:



(a) Last Name – this is the family name or surname – for example bin Abdul, binti Abdul, a/l Krishna, Chow, Williams, etc.

(b) First Name – this is the given name – for example Mandy, Nur Aishah, Jayanathan, Muhammad Hakim, Kim Choo, etc.

(c) Reg ID# - please put in either the NRIC (no dashes, please) or Passport Number. We will not use the MAS registration as many swimmers have not registered with them. This will allow us to track if the PASA registration fees for 2027 have been paid.

(d) Please use the same name and registration number for every single competition or meet organized by PASA. If there are any deviations during the year, we will consider the swimmer to be a different person and PASA registration fees for the year will be payable.

6.9 Entry fees are **RM15.00** per participants per individual event and **RM60.00** per team per relay event. Fees paid are not refundable. The annual PASA registration fee is RM20.00 per swimmer.

6.10 Pool side entries will not be accepted.

6.11 The substitution of swimmers for any events, after the Team Managers' meeting, for whatsoever reasons or alteration of events during competition will not be allowed.

6.12 Qualifying or cut-off times for each event will be set. If a swimmer does not swim faster or equal to the Qualifying or cut off times on the day of the competition, the swimmer will be penalized **RM25.00 per event**. Payment of the penalty must be made before the swimmer's next event, or the swimmer will not be allowed to compete.

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6.13 Total entries fee is payable to the Penang Amateur Swimming Association as per the final entry check list. Upon final entry check list confirmation by participating affiliates, there shall be no revision or refund of the entry fees in the event of subsequent withdrawal or scratching.

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7. Scratching of Events

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7.2 Swimmers presenting a medical certificate will be deemed to have scratched from all events for that day.

7.3 Any swimmer who did not show up for his or her event(s) for whatsoever reasons is deemed to have been scratched from all events for that day and will not be permitted to start in subsequent event(s) for that day unless he or she pays a scratching fee of RM 25.00 per event scratched for the said day.

7.4 Scratching is applicable on the specific day only and swimmers will start with no penalty on subsequent day(s).

7.5 Scratching must be submitted on the Scratch Form by the official Team Manager, with the appropriate fee. The Scratch Form is in the Info Pack for Team Managers.

8. Reporting by Swimmers

8.1 Swimmers must report 10 minutes before their events, at the first Marshalling Station, where their names are checked off on the Marshalling Sheet.

8.2 Once the Marshalling Sheet is handed over to the second Marshalling Station, swimmers who have failed to report will be classified as Did Not Swim (DNS) and will not be allowed to compete. If they wish to compete in the next event, they must pay the penalty of RM25.00 for failing to report.

9. Jury of Appeal

9.1 The Chairman of the Jury of Appeal shall be the Technical Chairman (Swimming) of PASA or in his absence, the PASA Technical Delegate to the Organizing Committee.

9.2 A maximum of six and a minimum of four other members of the Jury of Appeal shall comprise of the following:

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(i) P.A.S.A. Technical Delegate to the Organizing Committee or PASA's representative.
(ii) Secretary of the Organizing Committee or representative.
(iii) Representatives of the participating clubs who are not involved in the dispute.

9.3 The chairman of the Jury of Appeal shall appoint the representatives.

9.4 The decision(s) of the Jury of Appeal shall be final and shall not be subject to further appeal(s).

10. Records

All *State Age-Group (PSAG) & *Meet (MR) records are recognized by PASA. National Records shall be submitted to Malaysia Swimming (MAS) for verification.

*NOR	National Open Record
*NAG	National Age Group Record
*PSAG	Penang State Age Group Record
*MR	PASA Meet Record

11. Protests

All protests must be made on the PASA Protest Form, which is in the Info Pack for Team Managers, accompanied by a RM200.00 fee within 30 minutes after the results have been officially announced or displayed. If the referee rejects the protest, he or she must state the reasons for the decision. The Team Manager may then submit to appeal the rejection to the Jury of Appeal, whose decision shall be final. If the protest is rejected, the deposits shall be forfeited by the Organising Committee. If the protest is upheld, the deposit shall be returned.

12. Disciplinary

(a) Swimmers are expected to compete to the best of their ability during the Championships, with proper conduct and sportsmanship. The Meet referee, PASA Technical Chairman, PASA Meet Technical Delegate, and/or Organising Secretary shall have the authority to discipline or disqualify any swimmer, deemed to have intentionally delayed the event or the Meet, by swimming at a slow pace or shown improper conduct in the course of the meet.

(b) **Swimmers are not allowed to swim any other stroke other than the stroke specified in the event as stated.**

(c) **Team Manager must submit an official request for approval to the secretariat for the swimmer to swim in another stroke in freestyle events or first swimmer in any freestyle relay events ONLY FOR QUALIFYING PURPOSES.**

(d) **Any infringement on the above rules the swimmer and or the club will be disqualified for that event and other penalties as deemed appropriate by the Organising Committee**

13. Additional Criteria

13.1 New events will only be included in the PASA State Age Group Swimming Meet if it is included in the Malaysia Invitational Age Group Swimming Meet. Any extra events for the OPEN and Group 5 swimmers to be included in the PASA State Age Group Swimming Meet must be endorsed by the PASA Exco.

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13.2 Swimmers who beat the 8th placing last year's Malaysia Invitational Age Group (Closed) results will be selected for the coming Malaysia Invitational Age Group.

13.3 Swimmers will bear all the costs for participation in the Malaysia Invitational Age Group Swimming Meet.

13.4 The participation costs will be refunded accordingly, based on the individual events achieved by the swimmers, irrespective of the number of medals which are won by the swimmer at the National Age Group Swimming Meet.

Medal	**Percentage of Refund on the entire Participation Costs Paid**
Gold	100%
Silver	75%
Bronze	50%

13.5 The swimmer who wins First Place in any new event, at the PASA State Age Group Swimming Meet will be the record holder for that event but will not enjoy the points awarded for breaking the record. It will be considered as a new record, when it comes to the selection of a Best Individual Performer award for the respective age group.

13.6 A new PSAG record will only be recognized when the swimmer swims in the swimmer's respective age group, in any swimming meet which is endorsed by the National Swimming Body (Malaysia Swimming (MAS) or Persekutuan Renang Malaysia).

13.7 The Club Affiliate of the swimmer who broke the PSAG record(s) must officially submit a claim to PASA for the records with the official results, as proof. This claim must be submitted to the Swimming Technical Chairman and copied to the PASA Hon. Secretary.

13.8 The Organising Committee reserves the right to postpone or cancel the meet up to 2 weeks before.

13.9 The decision of the Organising Committee or P.A.S.A. on matters not provided for, shall be final.

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