

## Hong Kong Masters Swimming Competition Series 2021-22

### *Rules & Regulations for Local Competitors*

<b>Date / Time</b>	Please see attached event calendar and event list.
<b>Venue</b>	Please see attached event calendar.
<b>Entry Conditions</b>	<p>※All competitors must be 2021-22 registered masters (MS) swimmers of HKGSA (2021-22 Registration Fee: HK\$70 per swimmer)</p> <p>※<b>Age 18 or above.</b></p> <p>※<b><u>Overseas Teams: All Overseas competitors must be 2021-22 registered masters swimmers of their respective National Swimming Federation.</u></b></p>
<b>Entries</b>	<p>※Entries must be submitted with HKGSA master entry form. Incomplete/incorrect master entry form will be rejected and fees paid will not be refunded.</p> <p><b><u>Individual Events</u></b></p> <p>※Each swimmer is limited to no more than <b>3</b> individual events</p> <p>※HK\$15 per individual event</p> <p><b><u>Relay Events</u></b></p> <p>※Relays will be run on a club basis.</p> <p>※Each club may enter no more than one team in one age group of each relay event.</p> <p>※All swimmers must be aged <b>25</b> or above.</p> <p>※Each swimmer is only allowed to participate in <b>one age group</b> of each relay event. If swimmer race in two or more age group relay, concerned team result shall be disqualified.</p> <p>※The composition of a relay team must be the same order to the submitted relay form. Any club failed to follow the same order will result in disqualified.</p> <p>※HK\$15 per team per relay event.</p> <p>Paid by cheque. Crossed cheque made <b><u>payable to 'HKGSA'</u></b>.</p>
<b>Closing Date for Entries</b>	21 days prior to the date of competition. (Subject to the announcement of the HKGSA)
<b>Closing Date for Registration</b>	21 days prior to the <u>closing date of entries</u> . (Subject to the announcement of the HKGSA) *(Including Transfer Registration)
<b>Event list</b>	Please see attached event lists. Events will be run as timed finals.
<b>Age Group</b>	<p>※Age is calculated as at 31 December of the year of the competition.</p> <p><b><u>Individual Events</u></b></p> <p>※18-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89, 90 &amp; over</p> <p><b><u>Relay Events</u></b></p> <p>※100-119, 120-159, 160-199, 200-239, 240-279, 280-319, 320-359, 360-399</p>
<b>Scratches</b>	<p>※Scratches must be submitted 30 minutes before the scheduled start time of each session.</p> <p>※Relay entry form must be submitted before 1200hours of each competition.</p>

	<p>※A fine of \$30 will be charged for each “no show”. Fine payment should be settled before the next competition entry deadline. Otherwise, entry will not be accepted.</p>																		
<b>Seeding</b>	<p>※All competitors will be seeded according to the submitted times, regardless of age, but result will be processed according to their own respective age group.</p>																		
<b>Awards</b>	<p>※Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.</p> <p>※*Point score for first 8 places respectively (exclude Age 18-24 Group):</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Individual</td> <td>9</td> <td>7</td> <td>6</td> <td>5</td> <td>4</td> <td>3</td> <td>2</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Relay</td> <td>18</td> <td>14</td> <td>12</td> <td>10</td> <td>8</td> <td>6</td> <td>4</td> <td>2</td> </tr> </table> <p>※*Awards for Clubs: Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places of Men Overall and Women Overall.</p>	Individual	9	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Relay	18	14	12	10	8	6	4	2
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<b>Rules</b>	<p>※FINA rules will be applied.</p> <p>※Referee may request swimmers to leave the water if they could not complete the race within the Master Swimming Competition Series standard times for 400m and 800m Freestyle Event. Their results will be recorded as “DNF” (Did not Finish).</p> <p>※Mixed Freestyle Relay must include 2 Male and 2 Female who are all Age 25 or above. The point scores for first 8 place are: 9,7,6,5,4,3,2,1. The points will be calculated in both Men and Women overall awards.</p> <p>※Swimmers shall not replace the swimmers on the swimmers list without HKGSA’s permission, represented clubs will be punished as follows:</p> <p><b><u>First time of violation</u></b></p> <p>※A fine of \$1000 per violated entry will be penalized to the respective club and all the point scores attained by the violator(s) in relay events will not be given.</p> <p><b><u>Second time of violation</u></b></p> <p>※A fine of \$1000 per violated entry will be penalized to the club and all the point scores attained by the respective club in both men and women’s relay events will not be given.</p> <p><b><u>Third time of violation</u></b></p> <p>※A fine of \$1000 per violated entry will be penalized to the club and all the point scores attained by the respective club in all events during the competition will not be given and respective club shall be suspended from the next competition.</p> <p>Violation would be counted within one financial year (i.e. starting from 1st April and ending 31st March)</p>																		

<b>Official Arrangement</b>	※Clubs would need to provide the below number of officials for the competition:		
	Swimmer(s) attend the competition	Minimum Numbers of Official need to provide	Maximum Numbers of Official could be provided
	5-14	1	4
	15-24	2	4
	25 or more	3	4
	※Clubs will be suspended from the next competition if failed to fulfil the requirement.		
<b>Protest</b>	※Any protest shall be made in writing to the referee within 30 minutes following the result announcement of the respective event with a protest fee of HK\$200. ※Protest will be forwarded to the Appeal Board of such competition for decision. The decision of Appeal Board shall be final. ※If the protest is rejected, the fee paid will be forfeited to the HKGSA.		