



**USA Artistic Swimming
International Relations
2021 Club Option Procedures**

Applications for the 2021 Club Option program are now being accepted. A 2021 Club Option Application form must be completed. The application form and deposit must be submitted to the National Office no later than **Friday, January 22, 2021.**

Details of the Club Option Policy are located in Appendix F of the USAAS Rulebook. Four (4) websites can be searched to identify possible international competitions for club options:

1. FINA – www.fina.org This is a worldwide calendar (US events are included).
2. LEN – www.len.eu This calendar covers competitions held in Europe.
3. UANA - www.uana-aquatics.com This calendar covers competitions held in North, Central and South America.
4. USA Artistic Swimming – www.teamusa.org/usa-artistic-swimming/events/international This calendar includes events USA Artistic Swimming has received the preliminary information.

The application form should be self-explanatory. Provide the club name and contact information, the type of competition (Age Group, Junior, Senior, Masters), the competition name, dates and events in which the club will enter, the names of the adult personnel, and athletes who will attend the competition and the judge who you would like to accompany the club and an approximate number of people in the delegation. Only US FINA judges are allowed to attend and will be selected by the International Relations Committee.

As stated in the Club Option Policy in Appendix F, a \$500.00 deposit must be submitted with the application form. In addition, National Center for Safety Initiatives (“NCSI”) Background Checks and SafeSport training for all staff, including but not limited to coaches, managers, chaperones, U.S. FINA Judges, and other adults who have regular contact with, and/or authority over, athletes while participating in the Club Option are **now** mandatory. National Center for Safety Initiatives (“NCSI”) Background Check information and SafeSport training can be found on the USA Artistic Swimming website. In addition, a USA Artistic Swimming membership is also required.

Applications will be reviewed and approved as soon as possible.

If you have questions, please contact the International Relations Review Subcommittee Chair, Betty Hazle at bettyhazle@yahoo.com.