



2018 U.S. Synchronized Swimming JUNIOR OLYMPIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

June 23 – June 30

Corwin M. Nixon Aquatic Center – Oxford, OH

OFFICIAL MEET ANNOUNCEMENT



COMPETITION DATES June 23 through June 30 Practice Day - June 22

MEET MANAGER Terri Shannon
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FACILITY **Miami University Recreational Sports Center**
Corwin M. Nixon Aquatic Center
750 S. Oak St.
Oxford, OH 45056
Aquatic Director: John Mihevic

POOL SPECS	Competition Pool – Indoor	Practice Pool (Dive Well)
Length:	50 Meter (bulkhead placed at 25m)	25 meters
Width:	25 yards	18 yards
Depth:	10 feet	17 feet
Lane Markings:	9 lanes	8 lanes
Deck to Water:	12 inches	6" w/12" gutter flush w/water
Seating:	On Entry side of pool Athletes 450 on deck Spectator 750 in stands (behind the pool entry deck)	
Required Entry:	Enter from a 10-foot carpeted deck/ No obstruction There will also be 4 lap lanes available (25 yards, 6-10 ft deep).	

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HOUSING TO BOOK ROOMS FOR THE 2018 U.S. JUNIOR OLYMPIC CHAMPIONSHIPS: [CLICK HERE!](https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Synchronized-Swimming/Events/2018/June/22/2018-US-Junior-Olympic-Championships)
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SCHEDULE A tentative schedule, which is subject to change, can be found in Appendix 1. A final schedule will be posted approximately one week before the competition. With the addition of tech routines in the competition, events may not be on the same day as previous years.

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE TIME The competition and practice pool area are available for rental on Friday, **June 22, 2018** from 9am to 7pm. The cost is \$130 per hour. No club may purchase more than one 2-hour time block. If teams arrange it, two or more teams may share the time and cost. Time will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment must be received before **June 1, 2018**. Rentals not paid by the deadline will be available for other teams to reserve. Contact Terri Shannon at shannot1@miamioh.edu.

ENTRY DEADLINE Entries, Forms and Fees must be submitted electronically and postmarked no later than
Friday, May 25, 2018 at 11:59 pm PST

Late Fees: As stated in Appendix C, per Technical Rule CP 5.6.1, any entry to a National Championship received between 21 and 7 days prior to the first day of the competition shall pay late fees. Each athlete entered between 21 and 7 days prior to the first day of competition shall be assessed a \$25.00 late entry fee for the first event and an additional \$10.00 late entry fee for each additional event entered.

Provisional entry: If a qualifying event is held after the entry deadline for this competition, a provisional entry must be submitted according to the above deadline. Within 72 hours of the completion of the qualifying competition, the proof of qualification must be submitted by phone and in writing to the V.P. of Competitive Operations (Sheila McNabb), the Scoring Chair (Angie Homoele) and Jennifer Hawkins.

ELECTRONIC ENTRIES To register online (See Appendix 2), login to your account from the homepage of the USASynchro.org website, by clicking on "My Account". If you have any technical difficulties or questions, please email or call Jennifer Hawkins at 719-866-2219 or jennifer@usasynchro.org

FEE INFORMATION

Entry Fee: \$30 per competitor per routine, including alternates. Payments are made online at the USASynchro.org website. Any swimmer who is listed as an alternate for a routine and who is not swimming any other routine event shall pay the entry fee. (Rulebook, Appendix C)

Officials Surcharge: \$5 per competitor, including alternates. Payments are made online at the USASynchro.org website. Any swimmer who is listed as an alternate for a routine and who is not swimming any other routine event shall pay the surcharge. This surcharge is to cover expenses for Officials. (Rulebook, Appendix C)

Webcast Surcharge: \$7.70 per competitor, including alternates. Payments are made online at the USASynchro.org website. Any swimmer who is listed as an alternate for a routine and who is not swimming any other routine event shall pay the surcharge. This surcharge is to cover the minimum fee for Take It Live to Live Stream the competition.

Sponsor Fee: \$25 per competitor. Payments are made online at the USASynchro.org website.

Credentials: Each club will receive coach and chaperone credentials per the chart below. Additional coach and chaperone credentials are available for \$15 each. Lost or misplaced credentials will be \$15 for replacement. Payments are made online at the USASynchro.org website or make checks payable to USA Synchro if purchased on-site.

All coaches and judges need to register online even if free credentials are included with their team registration.

Only people with SafeSport certification (coaches and chaperones) are allowed to receive credentials. Registered coaches will be verified and those holding the required certifications will be granted credentials and allowed on pool deck.

# of athletes	Maximum # of free credentials	
	Coaches	Chaperones
1 - 10	2	1
11 - 15	3	2
16 - 20	4	2
21 - 25	5	3
26 - 30	6	3
31 - 35	7	4
36 - 40	8	4
41 - 45	9	5
46 - 50	10	5

FORMS

- Appendix 1** Tentative schedule - Please note this is very tentative roughly based on prior years' numbers. The times may vary significantly!
- Appendix 2** Register online at USA_Synchro.org – Entry Fees, Credentials, Officials
- Appendix 3** Digital Music Submission Guidelines (**Deadline Friday, May 25, 2018**)
- Appendix 4** Pool Diagram and Deck Layout

OFFICIALS

Please register online by the entry deadline. In addition, please e-mail Judges Administrator, Shannon Korpela, with your intent to attend at s_korpela@msn.com. Those wishing to take the national judge's tests should notify Shannon. Judges uniform shall be white shirts and black pants. Please consult final schedule for exact times.

RULES TO GOVERN

The 2018 Official USA Synchro Rulebook shall govern the Championships.

GRADE LEVELS

Qualified registered competitors must have attained Grade Level 2 for entry into the 2018 Junior Olympic Championships. For Grade Level requirements, see USA Synchro Grade Level Manual.

ROUTINE EVENTS

Competition in Free Solos, Duets and Teams in two age divisions: 12 & under and 13-15. Competition in Junior Technical and Free routines in Solos, Duets and Teams in two age divisions: 16-17 and 18-19. A Free Combination event will be held in two age divisions: 13-15 and 16-19. The Solo and Free Combination events will be Final events.

Free Combination entries may consist of registered competitors from 2 or more U.S. clubs. The name of a multiple club entry must not reflect a particular club. In addition to the standard entry forms required for the competition, the coach of a multiple club entry must submit a Release Form(s) for each competitor in the event to the USA Synchro National Office and the Scoring Chair. The Release Form(s) must be signed by the club coach of each competitor. Click [here](#) for Release Form.

FIGURE AND TECHNICAL EVENTS

The Figure Competition will consist of the following figures:

Figures 12 and under – Compulsory		DD
106	Straight Ballet Leg	1.6
301	Barracuda	1.9
Figures 13 - 15 – Compulsory		DD
423	Ariana	2.2
143	Rio	3.1

The remaining two figures will be drawn from their respective Selection Groups: **12 and Under on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 and 13 - 15 on Friday, June 22, 2018** by the USA Synchro V.P. of Competitive Operations or the meet Technical Chair designee and posted to the USA Synchro website by **2:30 pm PST**. An email will be sent to all technical members of USA Synchro at the same time.

All competitors shall compete in the Figure competition or Technical routine competition, **except for competitors entered only in the 16-19 Free Combination routine**. Any competitor who does not compete in the Figure competition or Technical routine competition will be scratched from all routines in which the competitor is entered. The Figure or Technical routine results shall be added to the Preliminary Free routine score to determine the top 12 Duets and Teams that qualify for the Final Free routine competition. Number 13 shall be the pre-swimmer. The Solo events will be held as Finals only. Draws for both the Free and Technical Solo Events will be random and drawn in advance of the competition. The Figure or Technical routine results shall be added to the Free Final results to determine final placement for Solo, Duet and Team Final events. The Free Combination will be held as Finals only and shall not include Figure or Technical routine scores.

AWARDS

USA Synchro medals will be awarded in each group to finalist places 1 - 3 in routines and 1 - 3 in figure competition. USA Synchro ribbons will be awarded to places 4 – 12 in routines and 4 - 12 in figures.

ATHLETES PARADE

The Athletes Parade will be held prior to each Age Group Duet and Team Final event. See final schedule for more information. All athletes from all clubs are encouraged to participate. Dress for the parade in team warm-up suits or appropriate team uniform.

PRACTICE WITH MUSIC

Practice time with music will be once in the competition pool for each team routine in the order of draw. Refer to the final meet schedule for practice times and be on deck ready to swim at the appropriate time. Please notify the sound manager if you will not be swimming during the practice. Please note: Diagrams of this rotation will be posted on deck prior to all designated swim thru times. Coaches will be given this information at coach's meetings as well.

TEAM BANNERS

Please drop off your team banner when you register or feel free to hang it on your Ez-up! **Volunteer Staff** will assist with hanging banners as they are available.

SCORING CHAIR

Angie Homoelle angelahomoelle@gmail.com [513-709-9183](tel:513-709-9183) (cell phone)

SCORING SYSTEM

ISS MMS Synchro software will be used to score the competition. Judges will award scores for Execution, Artistic Impression and Difficulty in free routines. Judges will award scores for Execution, Overall Impression and Elements in technical routines. Send questions regarding scoring to the scoring chair.

SOUND/ MUSIC

We will be using digital music for this competition. It is essential all music be sent by email in advance. Email music files to Chris Leahy at leahycm@gmail.com by **Friday, May 25, 2018**. See Digital Music Submission Guidelines, Appendix 3, for specifications.

COACH CERTIFICATION AND SAFESPORT

CCP Level 1 – Required for all coaches to be on deck at any meet.

CCP Level 2 – Required for all coaches to be on deck at any Regional, Zone and National Championship.

CCP Level 3 – Required for all coaches to be on deck at any Zone and National Championship.

SafeSport – Required for all coaches to be on deck at any competition. Required for any Chaperone.

Properly submitted safety credentials (Current CPR/First Aid) - Required for all coaches to be on deck at any competition. Registered coaches will be verified and those holding the required certifications will be granted credentials. If you have any questions, contact Shari Darst at shari@usasynchro.org

OFFICIALS AND COACHES HOSPITALITY

Food and beverages will be available in the wet classroom.

COACHES MEETINGS

To be held in the wet classroom.

Saturday, June 23 See final schedule

Wednesday, June 27 See final schedule

A **Coaches Information Document** will be posted online approximately one week before the competition and hard copies will be available at registration.

AIRPORTS

Cincinnati, OH – CVG (45 minutes), Dayton, OH – DAY (1 hour), Indianapolis, IN – IND (2 hours) or Columbus, OH – CMH (2 ½ hours).

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

All major rental car companies are available at each airport.

PARKING

Event Parking will be available in the parking garage located next to the Recreational Sports Center. Questions about parking should be directed to the Parking Services Office at (513) 529-8535. See www.muohio.edu/parking for parking locations, parking garage rates and visitor permits. Link to Parking Map <http://miamioh.edu/files/documents/parking/2017-18-parking-map.pdf>. On campus housing includes one parking space permit in the corresponding housing lot per apartment or dorm room.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN

Club and Official's Registration will be held in the Rec Center Concourse during the following times:

Friday, June 22 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Saturday, June 23 7:00 am – 11:00 am

Sunday, June 24 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Tuesday, June 26 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Wednesday, June 27 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Thursday, June 28 8:00 am – 12:00 pm



LIVE WEB STREAMING While it's not always possible to make it to an event in person, the good news is Takeitlive.tv will provide LIVE coverage for anyone wanting to watch and be a part of the event. In addition to tuning in LIVE, On-Demand video is available at the link on the [events page](#). We highly encourage friends and family to tune in live.

MIGZ PHOTOGRAPHY

Migz Media Group will be on-site covering this event for photography. Action and/or posed photography will be made available for sale to all competitors and spectators.



MIGZ MEDIA GROUP
610 HERTEL AVENUE
BUFFALO, NY 14207
716-462-9322

SPECTATOR TICKETS

Daily admission: \$10 Adult; \$5 Senior/Child (2-12 yrs)

Age Group Event Pass: \$30 Adult

All Event Pass: \$50 Adult; \$15 Senior/Child (2-12 yrs)

Free admission for children under 2.

Age Group Event passes will be sold for 12&U, 13-15 and 16-19 events and are valid any day that age group competes. An All Event Pass is valid Saturday June 23 - Saturday June 30. All multi-day passes may be purchased in advance through the event website or onsite at the Recreational Sports Center. Link to purchase tickets <https://squareup.com/store/CSGGators>. Daily admission can be purchased onsite at the Recreational Sports Center. Single day attendees will have their hand stamped if they would like to re-enter.

USA Synchro Life Members should send an email with their name and dates attending, to: shannot1@miamioh.edu. Passes for Life Members will be waiting at the Recreational Sports Center.

CONCESSIONS

Pro Shop located in the Concourse of the Recreational Sports Center. Miami University food truck will be available just outside the Rec Center for lunch and dinner each day.

TENT RENTAL

The Outdoor Pursuit Center has tents for rent. Cost is \$50 per day. Only these rented tents will be set up and taken down for teams by volunteers. Please e-mail shannot1@miamioh.edu for rental information.

PERSONAL TENTS Teams may bring their own Ez-up tents. Please e-mail shannot1@miamioh.edu for additional information.

VENUE RULES

For all events, tickets or credentials are required for admittance to the venue.
No smoking in the facility.
No food or beverages (except water) are permitted on pool deck or locker rooms.
No glass containers on the deck or in locker rooms.
Use of the pool equipment is not permitted.
No sitting or hanging on lane lines.
All athletes, coaches and officials will abide by the facility rules and USA Synchro Code of Conduct.
Gelling is permitted in designated area only. De-gelling is not allowed in the facility (\$100 fine if anyone de-gels in the facility).
All equipment bags must remain in designated areas to maintain a clean deck.
Official team banners will be hung by meet management (please turn in at registration).
No electrical appliances are permitted.

PHOTO/ VIDEO REGULATIONS

Any photographs, videotape or other audio and/or visual recordings taken at the event by a spectator may be used solely for such spectator's personal use, and may not be broadcast, published or disseminated or used for any commercial purposes, without the prior written consent of USA Synchro.
Photography for personal use will be allowed by the audience, from the stands, as long as not obstructing the view of others, and does not use a flash. Photographs must be for personal, non-commercial use.

PROGRAM PICTURES and GREETINGS

Support your swimmers by submitting a picture or greeting to be featured in the event program.
See the following link for more information and pricing: <https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Synchronized-Swimming/Events/2018/June/22/2018-US-Junior-Olympic-Championships/JOs-Event-Program>
To ensure pictures and greetings are included in the event program, all submissions must be received no later than May 25th.

CHAMPIONSHIP PROGRAM

Event programs for the 2018 U.S. Junior Olympic Championships will be available for \$10 and can be purchased in advance with multi-day passes or on site at the Corwin M. Nixon Aquatic Center. Friends and family may place a message and/or photo and advertising in the official meet program. For information on submitting photos and messages for the program see the link above.

MERCHANDISE



Be sure to stop by the Fine Designs booth in the Concourse so you can design your own apparel to commemorate your achievement of qualifying for the 2018 Junior Olympics!

We are also hosting a Trunk Show by Jolyn. There will be a representative onsite selling swimwear and accessories who has confirmed that they will be there at least one day for each Age Group: June 24th, 27th and 28th (Saturday, Wednesday & Thursday).

AREA ATTRACTIONS

Locally: Oxford Visitors Bureau <https://www.enjoyoxford.org/>
Regionally: Butler County Visitors Bureau <https://www.gettothebc.com/>

CAMPUS MAPS/POOL LAYOUT

See <http://miamioh.edu/about-miami/visiting-miami/campus-maps/index.html> for campus maps. See Appendix 4 for pool diagram.

Appendix 1: TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Final schedule will be posted online approximately one week prior to the meet.

Please note this is very tentative roughly based on prior years' numbers. The times may vary significantly!

Fri., June 22

12:00 PM	6:00 PM	Registration
TBD		Fee-based training

Sat., June 23

7:00	11:00	Registration
7:00		Pools open for lap swimming for 12U Figure swimmers
7:10	7:40	Officials and Coaches meeting; lap swimming continues
7:45		Figure warm up (2 groups)
		12U Figure Competition
1:00		13-15 Duet Spacing (2 groups)
		13-15 Duet Preliminary Competition
4:45		12U Duet Spacing (2 groups)
		12U Duet Preliminary Competition
	8:30	Projected end of day

Sun., June 24

11:00	4:00	Registration
7:00		Pools open for lap swimming 13-15 Teams
7:15		13-15 Team Practice with Music
10:45		13-15 Team Preliminary Competition
2:20		12U Team Practice with Music
4:45		12U Team Preliminary Competition
		12U Figures Awards; Draws for 12U Duet and Team Finals
	8:00	Projected end of day

Mon., June 25

7:00		Pools open for lap swimming for 13-15 Figure swimmers
7:15		Figure warm up (2 groups)
		13-15 Figure Competition
1:00		Lunch break for all
1:45		13-15 Figure Competition Cont'd
3:50		12U Team Final Warm Up
		12U Duet Final Warm Up
		12U Parade of Athletes
		12U Duet and Team Finals followed by awards
	7:30	Projected end of day

Tentative Schedule cont'd

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Tues., June 26

12:00	5:00	<i>Registration</i>
7:00		Pools open for lap swimming for 12U Solo swimmers
7:15		12U Solo Spacing
		12U Solo Final Competition
9:45		<i>Draw for 13-15 Duet and Team Finals</i>
		<i>Awards for 13-15 Figures and 12U Solo</i>
10:10		13-15 Solo Spacing (2 groups)
		13-15 Solo Final Competition
12:40		13-15 Team Final Warm Up
		13-15 Duet Final Warm Up
		<i>13-15 Parade of Athletes</i>
		13-15 Duet and Team Finals followed by awards
4:40		16-17 Tech Solo Spacing (2 groups)
		16-17 Tech Solo Competition
	7:00	Projected end of day

Wed., June 27

8:00	12:00	<i>Registration</i>
7:00		Pools open for lap swimming for 13-15 Combo swimmers
7:15		13-15 Free Combination practice with music
8:00	8:30	<i>Officials and coaches meeting</i>
9:15		13-15 Free Combination Competition followed by awards
11:45		16-19 Free Combination practice with music
3:00		16-19 Free Combination Competition followed by awards
6:40		18-19 Tech Solo Spacing (2 groups)
		18-19 Tech Solo Competition
	9:00	Projected end of day

Thurs., June 28

8:00	12:00	<i>Registration</i>
7:00		Pools open for lap swimming for 16-17 Free Duet swimmers
7:15		16-17 Free Duet Preliminary Spacing (2 groups)
		16-17 Free Duet Preliminary Competition
10:45		18-19 Free Duet Preliminary Spacing (2 groups)
		18-19 Free Duet Preliminary Competition
1:00		16-17 Free Team Practice with music
		16-17 Free Team Preliminary Competition
4:30		18-19 Free Team Practice with music
		18-19 Free Team Preliminary Competition
	9:30	Projected end of day

Tentative Schedule cont'd

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Fri., June 29

7:00	Pools open for lap swimming for 16-17 Tech Duet swimmers
7:15	16-17 Tech Duet Spacing (2 groups) 16-17 Tech Duet Competition
10:30	18-19 Tech Duet Spacing (2 groups) 18-19 Tech Duet Competition
12:30	16-17 Tech Team Practice with music 16-17 Tech Team Competition
3:30	18-19 Tech Team Practice with music 18-19 Tech Team Competition <i>Draw for 16-17, 18-19 Duet and Team Finals</i>
8:00	Projected end of day

Sat., June 30

7:00	Pools open for lap swimming for 16-19 Solo swimmers
7:15	16-17 Free Solo Spacing (2 groups) 16-17 Free Solo Final Competition
10:00	18-19 Free Solo Spacing (2 groups) 18-19 Free Solo Final Competition
12:30	16-17 Duet Final Spacing 18-19 Duet Final Spacing <i>16-19 Parade of Athletes</i>
1:40	16-17 Free Duet Final Competition followed by brief officials break 18-19 Free Duet Final Competition
3:45	16-17 Team Final Warm Up (2 groups) 18-19 Team Final Warm Up (2 groups) 16-17 Free Team Final Competition followed by brief officials break 18-19 Free Team Final Competition <i>16-17 and 18-19 Solo, Duet and Team Awards</i>
7:45	Projected end of day

Appendix 2: CLUB ENTRY AND FEES

To register online login to your account from the homepage of the USA Synchro website <http://www.usasynchro.org/> , by clicking on “My Account”.

See the entry instructions on the site.

If you have any technical difficulties or questions, please email or call Jennifer at 719-866-2219 or jennifer@usasynchro.org.

Appendix 3: DIGITAL MUSIC SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Digital music files (M4A, MP3) are to be submitted for routines for this competition.

- Email music to Chris Leahy at leahycm@gmail.com by **May 25, 2018**
- Music files may be sent as email attachments or shared using a file sharing/ transfer service.
 - Dropbox, Google Drive, OneDrive, WeTransfer, etc.
- We recommend submitting 160+ kbit/sec M4A/AAC or higher quality audio for best sound results.
- If sending MP3 files, 192+ kbit/sec is recommended.
- A device with a 1/8" TRS (headphone) jack is acceptable as a backup.
- A CD player will **NOT** be available as back up.
- Contact Chris if you have any questions.
- Use the following naming conventions (see bolded below) when saving files.
 - Routines names should be “space” separated

13-15 Duet CSG Smith

13-15 = Age Group

Duet = Routine event

CSG = Club Abbreviation/ Three Letter Code **

Smith = Last name of the first alphabetical member of the routine

** **email** Jennifer Hawkins - jennifer@usasynchro.org

if you do not know your code

Optional- If you know how to modify the Artist/Album/Track Title tags of your files, please use the following conventions.

Artist = 2017 US Junior Olympics

Album = Age Group Routine Event (12-U Solo, 16-17 Free Duet, etc.)

Album Artist = Three Letter Code **

Title = Last name of the first alphabetical member of the routine

** **email** Jennifer Hawkins - jennifer@usasynchro.org

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