

Event Information Bulletin 2

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Welcome

Welcome to the second bulletin for the 2023 Australian Gymnastics Championships.

The purpose of this document is to provide up to date event information to all participants across Australia.

All bulletins will be published on the Australian Gymnastics Championships website and in the STA AGC Communication channel on Teams. Please continue to check the website regularly for the most up to date information.

Should you have any questions regarding the event, please do not hesitate to contact us and we will do all that we can to assist.

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The team at Gymnastics Australia are committed to providing you with a high-quality event that will be a memorable and worthwhile part of your gymnastics journey.

Due to the ongoing impact and ever changing nature of the COVID-19 virus, Gymnastics Australia may not be able to deliver a full Australian Gymnastics Championships program in 2023 as planned. All decisions will be made based on credible evidence and in the best interest of the health of all involved. Final decisions on event delivery and operations will be in line with both Federal and State guidelines and restrictions. All events will be delivered in line with Gymnastics Australia's COVID Safe Plan.



Competition Rules & Regulations

The 2023 Australian Gymnastics Championships will be conducted under the 2023 Technical Regulations and FIG Code of Points 2022 - 2024 for the respective Gymsports. These documents will be available shortly on the Gymnastics Australia website or FIG website.

Competition Entry Fees

Provisional Entries

Provisional Entries: \$20 (per individual, per event)

Definitive Entries

Definitive Entries: \$272.50 (per individual)

There are no additional division fees for 2023

Total Entry Fee

\$272.50 per individual per GymSport

Additional Fees

- Late Entry Fee: \$400 plus the total entry fee per athlete entered into the event after the definitive entry cut-off date
- Late / Additional Official Entry Fee: \$200. This applies to all team officials who are submitted into the event after the definitive entry cut-off date
- Late music or music changes after the due date: \$60 per piece of music

Entry Closing Dates

Provisional Entries: Wednesday 8th March 2023, 3:00pm AEST

Definitive Entries: Tuesday 4th April 2023, 12:00pm AEST

Definitive Entry Sign Off: Thursday 6th April 2023, 12:00pm AEST

Music Submission: Thursday 6th April 2023, 12:00pm AEST

Competition Venue

All competition and training will be held at the Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre.

 $\underline{https://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/thegoldcoast/gold-coast-sports-leisure-centre-32198.html}$



Equipment

Competition equipment will be supplied by Spieth and Eurotramp at the 2023 Australian Gymnastics Championships.

It is important that you check your respective GymSports 2023 Technical Regulation for the use of additional matting, equipment requirements and any special conditions for this event.

Please note that a podium will not be used in 2023 for the Artistic competition. All equipment will be secured with floor anchor points.

Competition Schedule

An updated draft competition schedule is now available on the event website. Draft session times will be added shortly however these will be confirmed following the close of definitive entries as adjustments may be required once final numbers are known.

Please ensure you check the event website regularly for the most up to date version.

http://ausgymnasticschamps.com.au/schedule/

Changes to the draft schedules may occur once Gymnastics Australia receives definitive entries. GA will not be held responsible for accommodation and transport costs incurred due to changes in the schedule. Final schedule will be released after definitive entries are received and final athlete and routine numbers across all Gymsports are known.

Podium Training

Tuesday 9th May

WAG Junior International

8:00am - 10:00am (Open Training)

2:30pm - 5:00pm (Rotation Training)

WAG Senior International

10:00am - 12:00pm (Open Training)

5:00pm - 7:30pm (Rotation Training)

WAG Future International

12:00pm - 2:30pm (Rotation Training)

All times above are inclusive of general warm up



MAG (Level 9 Under, Level 10 & Senior International)

8:00am - 10:00am & 2:30pm - 5:00pm

ACT, NSW, WA, SA, TAS & NTC

10:00am - 12:00pm & 5:00pm - 7:30pm

VIC & QLD

12:00pm - 2:30pm

By Request - Open to any State who doesn't wish to use the morning session

All times above are inclusive of general warm up

Monday 15th May

AER International divisions

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Please note: AeroDance will not have podium training unless the team is trialling for National Squad, National Development Squad or selection onto an Australian Team. Each State will be allocated a time for podium training based on the number of routines, smaller States will be combined. It will be at the discretion of each States Head Coach to determine how the allocated time will be used.

Thursday 18th May

RG Junior International Individual

General Warm Up: 8:00am Routines: 9:00am – 11:30am

RG Senior Groups

General Warm Up: 11:30am

<u>Comp Floor Training time</u>

Group 1: 12:30pm - 12:50pm

Group 2: 12:50pm - 1:10pm

Group 3: 1:10pm - 1:30pm



RG Senior International Individual

General Warm Up: 1:30pm Routines: 2:30pm – 4:30pm

ACR International Levels

3:30pm - 8:00pm

TRP International Levels

ACT & QLD: 8:00am - 11:00am

SA & TAS: 11:00am - 1:00pm

NSW: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

WA & VIC: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

All of the above times for TRP include general warm up

Training Hall

A detailed training tall schedule for all relevant GymSports will be published in the AGC Teams Channel for STA's to access. This will be a live document and it will be updated and added to as training information becomes available.

Orientation Meetings

The Orientation Meeting for all Gymsports will be held virtually via Zoom prior to the event. All Heads of Delegation, Team Managers & Head Coaches should attend the meeting. Additional information will be available shortly.

Judges' Meetings

In 2023, it will be compulsory for all judges attending AGC to attend the scheduled judges' meetings. Judges that do not attend the meetings will not be included in the final judges' panels for the event. Please ensure this is communicated to your judges so travel details can be booked accordingly. Details around GymSport specific judges meetings will be distributed shortly.

AER Judges should aim to arrive on the GC by midday on the 14^{th} for a meeting the venue at approximately 2pm



Music Submission

Music submission details have been uploaded to the STA State Team Staff Teams Channel.

All music must be submitted, in the correct format, but the due date. Music submission for this year's event will be done via DropBox. GA will set up a Master folder and invite each STA to the relevant folders. Please let Kim know if you would like additional individuals added.

After the 6th April, no music changes within the dropbox can occur and all individuals will be given 'view' access only. If a piece of music needs to be changed it **MUST** be emailed through and the music change fee will apply.

Official Event T-Shirt

An official event athlete t-shirt will once again be available for purchase for the 2023 event. STA's are not required to submit orders as individuals can place orders for collection at the event. Orders are now open and will close on the 17th April at 4:00pm. Due to the timing to Easter and the surrounding holidays, strictly no late orders will be accepted. **This item is for pre order only.** Athlete t-shirts will cost \$40 each.

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GymSport Specific Updates

WAG Reserve Athletes

The following number of reserve athletes are able to be named at the time of definitive entries;

- Level 8 4 reserve athletes
- Level 9 4 reserve athletes
- Level 10 3 reserve athletes

Trampoline Spotters

For 2023, a state coach must be present at each trampoline to replace two spotters for every trampoline routine. Please ensure you take this into consideration with the coaches present on the Field of Play during competition. All coaches who will be acting as spotters for the event must be entered into the database at the time of definitive entries.

MAG Individual Athletes

Based on provisional entries received, please see below the number of MAG athletes we are able to accept into the competition this year;

Level 7 Age - Max 8 (Team)



- Level 8 Age All entries can be accepted
- Level 7 Open Max 8 (Team + 2 Ind)
- Level 8 Open Max 8 (Team + 2 Ind)
- Level 9 Open Max 8 (Team + 2 Ind)
- Level 9 Age All entries can be accepted
- Level 10 All entries can be accepted
- Snr All entries can be accepted

Please note that STA's are not permitted to submit additional athletes at the time of definitive entries beyond the numbers they submitted with provisional entries

Please enter these athletes as Individuals in iMIS. States/Territories with more than 2 individual athletes (who have met the qualifying score) can enter these athletes as reserves. Reserves can replace withdrawn individual athletes up to the 24 hours prior to competition. After that point, no reserve athletes are eligible to compete for a withdrawn athlete.

MAG & WAG Team Sheets

Teams sheets for all relevant levels are due in by Monday 1st May.

Team App

Gymnastics Australia will once again be using Team App to communicate with all State Heads of Delegation, Gymsport Team Managers coaches and judges. State delegations should download the smart phone app prior to the event. Team app can be found in the App Store (iPhone) & in Google Play (android).

Once signed up for the app, please search for the following Team:



2023 AGC Event Updates



Member Protection & Child Safety Policy

Gymnastics Australia has solidified its position as a leader in child safety with the launch of a new standalone Child Safe Policy alongside a comprehensively reviewed and updated Member Protection Policy.

Both policies are the result of more than nine months consultation and provide clear and comprehensive guidelines for the safety and wellbeing of children within the sport of gymnastics.

The GA website now has a 'Child Safety' tab where you will be able to view the policies and other child safe resources. Click here: http://bit.ly/2HHglbf.

Please ensure that all team members are aware of the updated Member Protection Policy.

Photography/Videography Consent Form

Over the past months, the GA events team has been working with the GA Integrity team to update the photo/video consent information required from athlete's and their parents / guardians at nationally run events. Ahead of the 2023 Australian Championships, we kindly request the information in **Appendix 4** be included in your State Team nomination forms (JotForm or similar or paper-based) for the event.

Should you have any questions regarding the information in the attachment, please contact the GA Integrity Team, integrity@gymnastics.org.au .

Should an athlete opt out of priority 1 or 2, it is the STA's responsibility to inform Gymnastics Australia.

Integrity Education Requirements Overview

Please see the below overview of the Integrity Education requirements for the 2023 AGC:

	GA You've Got This	SIA Anti- Doping Fundamentals	SIA 2023 Update	SIA Coaches Course	Conflict of Interest Form	SIA Medical Practitioners Course
Head of Delegation	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Team Manager	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Coach	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Judge	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	
Physiotherapists/ Sports Trainers	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Medical	Yes	Yes	Yes			Yes



Volunteers / TRP Spotters	Yes				
Event Management/ GA Staff	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Junior & Senior Athletes		Yes	Yes		

Anyone who has completed the required courses in 2022 does not need to repeat the courses for 2023, except for the 2023 SIA Anti-Doping update. Click HERE to access the SIA eLearning Hub.

Please see **Appendix 2** for an example email to **STA Junior & Senior athletes** regarding their Integrity Education requirements for the 2023 AGC.

Please see **Appendix 3** for an example email to **STA Officials** regarding their Integrity Education requirements for the 2023 AGC.

COVID Safe Measures

Please refer to the GA COVID-19 Vaccine Position Statement available on the <u>GA Policy Website</u>. This position statement is updated regularly, in line with the current government guidelines. This statement has been developed based on credible evidence which will continue to be monitored and updated as necessary. Please continue to check the gymnastics Australia website for the most up to date version of the COVID-19 Vaccine Position Statement.

With the event being held in Queensland, GA will follow the advice provided by Queensland Health throughout the event.

All delivery aspects of the event will be in line with Gymnastics Australia's COVID-safe event plan.

Disclaimer

This document should be read in conjunction with the Gymnastics Australia Technical Regulations and relevant Gymsport manuals. This may include but is not limited to the technical regulations and FIG Code of Points. All information in this document is subject to change. GA encourages all users to regularly check the website for updates. In the event of a conflict between this document and any other GA documents GA reserves the right to have the final ruling. If such a ruling is needed GA will publish any alterations.



Appendix 1 – Gymsport Forms

Withdrawal Form – MAG & WAG

Withdrawal Form - RG, TRP, AER, ACR

MAG

Change to Apparatus Measurements

Team Sheets

Vault Nomination

WAG

Change to Apparatus Measurements

Team Sheets

TRP

TRP International Team Sheet

TRP Training Nomination Form



Appendix 2 – Email regarding Athlete Anti-Doping Education Requirements

AGC 2023 Athlete Education Communications

Good afternoon,

Congratulations on being selected to represent [relevant State or Territory] at the upcoming Australian Gymnastics Championships.

In the lead-up to this year's Australian Gymnastics Championships, there are some education requirements for individuals competing at the <u>Junior International or Senior International Level</u> to complete prior to attending the event.

You are required to complete a series of online anti-doping education to ensure you have an understanding about anti-doping in competitive sporting environments.

These online courses have been developed by Sport Integrity Australia, and are for individuals who participate in or coach in competitive environments, to help educate everyone on the benefits of keeping sport clean and safe.

The courses you are required to complete via Sport Integrity Australia's e-Learning hub are:

- Anti-Doping Fundamentals
- Annual Update 2023

If you are under the age of 18, you might find it helpful to complete these courses with a parent or guardian, so they can help you.

If you have any questions about the education requirements mentioned above, contact [contact at relevant State or Territory].

Alternatively, you can contact Gymnastics Australia's Integrity team if you have a question or concern regarding the welfare of a child or the behaviour of an individual in our sport:

Gymnastics Australia's Integrity Team

Phone: 03 8698 9700 select option 0 for Integrity/Child Safety

Child Safety Email: childsafety@gymnastics.org.au.

Integrity Email: integrity@gymnastics.org.au

Thank you for helping to keep gymnastics a safe, fair and healthy environment for everyone.

Kind regards,



Appendix 3 – Email regarding Officials' Integrity Education Requirements

Good afternoon,

In upholding Gymnastics Australia's commitment to protecting the safety of all its members, Gymnastics Australia would like to take this opportunity to work alongside you to ensure the competitive environment at the 2022 Australian Gymnastics Championships is safe, inclusive and clean.

You may already be familiar with requirements around Child Safeguarding and Anti-Doping which were introduced at last year's Australian Gymnastics Championships, such as and mandated Anti-Doping education.

In the lead-up to this year's event, we will be enforcing similar mandatory requirements for both athletes and officials.

Prior to attending the 2023 Australian Championships, you will be required to complete a suite of Integrity-related courses, including courses from both Sport Integrity Australia and Gymnastics Australia;

- SIA Anti-Doping Fundamentals (formally level 1)#
- SIA Annual Update 2023
- SIA Coaches Course*#
- You've Got This: Creating a Positive Events Culture by Gymnastics Australia #

*If you are not attending the 2023 Australian Championships in a coaching role, you are not required to complete the Coaches Course.

You are not required to repeat these courses if you completed them in 2022.

If you completed 'You've Got This!' in 2022, you are not required to repeat this course prior to attending.

Please note the SIA Annual Update is reviewed each year, and as such you must complete the Annual Update for 2023If you haven't already, you will need to create an account in the Sport Integrity Australia eLearning hub to access the above courses.

It is recommended you take a short break between each of the Sport Integrity Australia courses, to allow the system time to register your completion.

If you have any difficulties accessing the e-learning hub or completing any of the Sport Integrity Australia Courses, you can contact their education team directly via education@sportintegrity.gov.au for assistance.

We thank you for your ongoing commitment to uphold the integrity of the 2023 Australian Gymnastics Championships.

If you have any questions about the education requirements mentioned above, or any other integrity matter, please do not hesitate to contact integrity@gymnastics.org.au.



Appendix 4 – Photography/Videography Consent Form

Event/Activity: 2023 Australian Gymnastics Championships

Location: Gold Coast, Queensland

Date: May 2023

Gymnastics is a highly visual sport, with images and vision of gymnasts competing and performing generating interest and awe the world over.

Gymnastics Australia takes its responsibility to ensure all members are safeguarded against potential risk in both the training and competitive environments seriously.

In May 2023, Gymnastics Australia will be holding the Australian Gymnastics Championships. To comply with all applicable policies, and ensure you understand the ways in which footage or images from this event may be used, the following informatison is provided for your consideration and consent.

It is important to note that you can change your mind at any time and ask us to stop using your image publicly by contacting us on media@gymnastics.org.au or integrity@gymnastics.org.au

Gymnastics Australia works collaboratively with the State and Territory Associations. Providing your consent through completion of this form, also expresses your consent to allow us to share your image or story, when appropriate, with our colleagues, unless you opt out below.

Throughout this Event, Gymnastics Australia will be capturing footage and images of each participant's routine in order to meet two priorities for the functioning of the event:

Priority 1: Judging Review Purposes – This is a mandatory requirement for all athletes wishing to participate at the event. Should an athlete not wish to comply with this requirement, their participation will be withdrawn by Gymnastics Australia prior to the commencement of the event. In this instance, no refunds on entry fees will be provided. Video footage captured for judging purposes will be;

- Used for judging a participant's performance, should a score review be necessary
- Restricted to GA Event Staff, National Commission members and the event judges
- Retained at the completion of the event for a duration of 12 months after which it will be deleted. GA may, at its discretion, determine it necessary to retain footage after 12 months on a case-by-case basis.

Priority 2: All Other Purposes – Gymnastics Australia recognises not all individuals can or want to be captured for purposes other than their involvement in the competition, and provides mechanisms to support these requests. Footage or images captured for all other purposes may include, but is not limited to;

- Use for publicity, commercial or promotional purposes including advertising, social media, media and web content.
- Use for purposes within the GA accreditation and professional development domains. Footage or images can be accessed via user login by Gymnastics Australia staff and currently registered Technical Members from around Australia.

I grant Gymnastics Australia, its representatives and employees, the right to take photographs and film me, and/or a child in my care, in relation to the following in line with the Gymnastics Australia Photography Policy. I authorise Gymnastics Australia, its assigns and transfers to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically.

- Yes
- No



Do you agree to footage or images being captured for Priority 1: Judging Review Purposes?

- Yes
- No

Do you agree to footage or images being captured for Priority 2: All Other Purposes?

- Yes
- No for publicity, commercial or promotional purposes including advertising, social media and web content, educational or illustrative purposes.
- No for purposes within the GA accreditation and professional development domains
- No for sharing images with the State and Territory Associations