



## **COMPETITION RULE CHANGES FOR 2020-2021 SEASON**

Please note that the Canada Artistic Swimming Board of Directors has approved the following temporary rule changes:

**Junior and Senior athletes do not need to enter the Technical Duet or Technical Team events to be eligible to enter the corresponding Free Duet or Free Team events at 2021 national competitions (Qualifier, Nationals)**

**Rationale:**

With more limited training time in pools across the country in 2020/2021, including current shutdowns in many provinces, this gives clubs more flexibility to adjust their programming in a way that will maximize athlete engagement, depending on their particular circumstance.

**Please note that, because of the importance of technical skills, CAS still highly recommends for clubs to select the technical routine when only able to enter one routine, even though this will not be enforced by rule for the 2021 competition season.**

**Technical elements will still be a priority in the 2021 national team selection process, so those aiming to participate in the process should keep this in mind.**

Also note that this also means that athletes who qualify their free duet but not their technical duet will not be eligible to enter their technical duet at 2021 national competitions.

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