



GENERAL INFORMATION

The **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** is a virtual competition open to all registered Swimming Canada club members. Initially, an **Introduction to the Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** will be held over a 1-month period, and the balance of the challenge will be held across 3 stages, finishing with the final leaderboard rankings. All swimmers wishing to participate must be registered as Competitive or Masters (pre-competitive swimmers are not eligible).

The **Introduction to the Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** will take place over a 1-month period, from December 11 through January 10, 2021. This is an opportunity for swimmers to get up on the block and #RaceAgain. Much like the #SwimAgain Challenge, the 'Intro' will offer an independent ranking of each event, over the different age groups and genders.

At the end of Stage 1, 2 and 3, a leaderboard will be published for all participating clubs and swimmers across Canada. Each age group will have its own leaderboard ranking the top 10 swimmers with the most accumulated points across their events. Swimmers will have 3 opportunities across the 3 stages to submit times and climb the leaderboard. The Top 10 swimmers at the end of Stage 3, in each age group and multiclass, will receive awards.

Swimming Canada will continue to promote swimming as a safe activity while running a campaign to promote the **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge**, highlighting the fantastic work being undertaken daily by our provincial sections, coaches, clubs, facility operators and partners to get swimmers back in to the water, the evolution to 'racing again' and the progress achieved on the leaderboards.

FORMAT

Swimming Canada member clubs and coaches are responsible for running their events safely within an identified window, setting up sessions in the format that best suits each club's individual circumstances, workout timeframes and pool and staff availability, but maintaining the training block.

Priority must always be given to adherence to safety guidelines as determined by your Province and facility.

Times submitted can be either sanctioned or unsanctioned. This will depend on provincial sanctioning capabilities and comfort and availability of clubs to manage. Unsanctioned times will always be accepted. The process to gain these times will be coach managed and driven, within the timeframe of a workout or time trial.

Clubs may choose to run a select number of events, or multiple sessions, according to their needs and provincial sanctioning requirements.

Clubs may decide whether they run events as single or mixed genders, according to their needs. Swimmers can participate in any number of events.

KEY DATES

UPDATE



EVENT DETAILS

The **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** is accessible to all registered Swimming Canada clubs and competitive registered swimmers, including age group, masters and para swimmers.

Information on the events offered per age group, gender and multiclass can be found at this [link](#).

UPDATED Ages are as June 14, 2021.

For **Multiclass Para Swimming** events, performances for ranking and scoring will be assigned a point score from Swimming Canada Para Swimming Points chart. Events will be scored based on the Canada Games format of combining events, as below.

- The scores from same stroke events, as below, will be merged and ranked from highest to lowest point scores to determine final ranking order.
- This protocol will be applied to the 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle, 200/400 freestyle event; 50/100 backstroke event; 50/100 breaststroke event; 50/100 butterfly event and 150/200 Individual Medley.
- Strokes/events where distances are split by class (e.g., 50/100 Back) will be scored against each other for rankings from each of those pairs of events.

Para swimmers wishing to take part in the **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** must be members in good standing and have a minimum Level 2 sport classification status. If you have questions regarding your Classification Status, please contact Janet Dunn, Para Swimming Performance Pathway Coach & National Classification: jdunn@swimming.ca

MASTERS

Separate database with all events offered. Results submitted via the [Masters Online entry system](#), via each swimmer's RTR account. Masters will not have Leaderboards.

AGE GROUPS	INTRODUCTION	STAGES 1-3
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, 90-94	50 butterfly 50 backstroke 50 breaststroke 50 freestyle 100 IM	50, 100, 200, 400, 800, 1500 freestyle 50, 100, 200 backstroke 50, 100, 200 breaststroke 50, 100, 200 butterfly 200, 400 IM

Ages are as December 31, 2021.

SCORING & RANKING

Introduction - All submitted times will be ranked in each individual event within each age group and multiclass. No points will be awarded.

Stage 1 – Top 30 times in each individual event within each age group and Top 10 in each individual event multiclass will be awarded points. All times will be ranked. Points will be awarded as 50, 40, 35, 30, 27, 25, 24, etc., to 1. Multiclass points will be awarded as 50, 40, 35, 30, 27, 25, 24, 23, 22 and 21.

Stage 2 – Top 20 times in each individual event within each age group and Top 10 in each individual event multiclass will be awarded points. All times will be ranked. Points will be awarded as 50, 40, 35, 30, 27, 25, 24, etc. to 11. Multiclass points will be awarded as 50, 40, 35, 30, 27, 25, 24, 23, 22 and 21.

Stage 3 – Top 10 times in each individual event within each age group and multiclass will be awarded points. All times will be ranked. Points will be awarded as 50, 40, 35, 30, 27, 25, 24, 23, 22 and 21.

LEADERBOARDS (STAGES 1-3 ONLY)

All points for each event will be tabulated and swimmers will be ranked 1-10, in each age group, after each completed stage. This represents the leaderboard.

A swimmer's points will accrue throughout the challenge and determine the swimmer standings on the individual leaderboards, as well as the club standings. Swimmers may fluctuate up and down the leaderboard as the stages progress.

ENTRY FEE, CASH PRIZES & AWARDS

Clubs will be levied a \$10.00 fee per swimmer participating in the **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** which will be invoiced at the completion of the challenge and distributed as per the below:

Team Award

50% of the collected fees will be split evenly between one large team and one small team. The small team will have ≤50 registered competitive swimmers, and the large team will have ≥51 registered competitive swimmers.

Individual Awards

The balance of fees will be used to create / establish awards for the Top 10 swimmers on each leaderboard, in each age group and multiclass, at the end of Stage 3. More information to follow on individual awards.

Eastern/Western Canadian Championships

All swimmers who exceed the short course (25m) 2021 Speedo Eastern Canadian Championship and 2021 Speedo Western Canadian Championship standard, will receive a digital certificate and access to ordering a 2021 Speedo Eastern & Western Canadian Championship Qualifier t-shirt.

All awards will be awarded after the final stage.

ENTRY INFORMATION

A summary of the process to be followed to submit entries for the **#RaceAgain Challenge** is detailed below:

- Step 1 Clubs download the **#RaceAgain Challenge** event file for the appropriate round from the [Swimming Canada](#) website and import the file into Team Unify, Team Manager, Splash Team Manager or TM Lite as appropriate. **Note: There will be a different TM entry file for EACH of the Racing rounds (separate files for age group and masters) and the various files will need to be downloaded from the Swimming Canada website.** The file for each of the rounds will be made available during the week prior to the start date for that round.
- Step 2 Clubs hold their 'Time Trials' either non-sanctioned or sanctioned depending on provincial return to racing plans and requirements.
- Step 3 Clubs submit 'entries' for the appropriate round of the **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** competition by putting the times swum in the time trials into the 'Custom Time' or "Hand written" column if using Entries/Entries by Name, or the 'Custom' column if using Entries/Entry by Event.

The following screen shows what the Team Manager screen will look like if using Entries > Entry by Name.

The above entry process will be repeated for all other club members entering the **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge**.

SUBMITTING “RESULTS”

Once ALL the times for ALL swimmers have been added into Team Unify or Team Manager, please confirm all swimmers are registered [correctly](#). Coaches export ‘entries’ and submit the club entry file through the Swimming Canada Meet Entry System, as done with a swim meet. This process will confirm all swimmers are registered successfully.

Entry management must be completed using Team Unify, HyTek Team Manager, Splash Team Manager or Team Manager Lite (FREE).

Times must be submitted by **11:59pm PST Monday** following the end of each stage. **Times submitted after the deadline will not be processed.**

UPDATED	Date Range for Events	Deadline for Submissions
Introduction	December 11-January 10, 2021	January 11, 2021
Stage 1	February 26-March 21, 2021	March 22, 2021
Stage 2	April 9-May 2, 2021	May 3, 2021
Stage 3	May 21-June 13, 2021	June 14, 2021

SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

As we **#RaceAgain** across various provinces throughout Canada, we hope this challenge continues to connect and engage our Canadian swimming community as we re-imagine swimming, even on a virtual platform! We really encourage our members to join us [online](#) and share their **Speedo #RaceAgain Challenge** experiences.

At the end of each stage Swimming Canada will produce a highlight reel of the previous stage, paying special attention to those moving up and down the leaderboard, showcasing the fantastic achievements of our swimmers, including interviews with our leading swimmers and their performances.

To submit content to our Communications team and be included in this challenge, please email your clips to: raceagain@swimming.ca

KEY CONTACT

If after reading the above documents online you require additional support in submitting your times, please contact the team who will happily assist:

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