



State Stream – Scoring System Explanation

This document outlines the scoring system developed for the ASWA State Stream, created in collaboration with the Head Judge, Scorer, and ASWA team. The system was designed to ensure fair assessment, streamline competition scoring, and enhance the athlete experience.

Purpose

The State Stream aims to group athletes by skill rather than age, allowing for progressive development and performance evaluation. Each routine level includes a designated number of hybrids and technical skills, which must be demonstrated clearly and with quality. Athletes will be judged based on their ability to perform these core skills rather than the quantity or complexity of elements.

Progression and Athlete Experience

This model encourages correct athlete placement based on ability and ensures visible improvement throughout the levels. By focusing on quality execution, we support athletes in enjoying their routines while mastering foundational skills.

Degree of Difficulty & Artistic Expression

All routines within the State Stream will have the same Degree of Difficulty (DD). Any additional skills or transitions included in hybrids will contribute to the Artistic Impression score, rather than increasing the DD. This creates a space for creativity and fun, especially beneficial for athletes on recreational pathways.

Combo Routines

Combo routines are permitted to include athletes from different levels (AquaBasics and AquaPro). This flexibility promotes team engagement across the State Stream without affecting fairness in scoring.

Judging and Scoring Notes

Judges will be provided with skill progression expectations for each level. Incorrect technical elements will receive a Base Mark (BM), while creative or additional movements will be assessed under Artistic Impression. The goal is to reward execution and discourage overly complex routines that compromise performance quality.

Coach Cards – Submission & Skill Selection

All coaches are required to complete and submit a Coach Card for each routine. This is an important part of the judging and scoring process and helps ensure transparency and alignment with routine expectations.

Where skills include multiple options (e.g., A, B, or C), coaches may select the option most appropriate for their athletes or team. The selected option must be clearly indicated on the Coach Card for clarity during judging.

Please ensure:

- The Coach Card is filled out accurately and submitted on time.
- Any selected variant of a skill (A/B/C) is clearly marked.
- The card reflects the structure and intent of the routine as aligned with the DD Chart for your level.

Failure to submit a completed Coach Card or to indicate selected skill options may result in loss of clarity during judging and could impact scoring.

DD Chart Reference

The 'DD Chart – State Stream' outlines the expected number of hybrids, acrobatic movements (pairs and group), and surface connections required for each routine type — Solo, Duet, Team, and Combo — across the levels: Aqua Basic 1, Aqua Basic 2, Aqua Pro 1, and Aqua Pro 2.

This chart is intended to guide routine construction and help ensure consistency in scoring and judging.

Please note:

- The hybrids, acrobatics, and surface connections do not need to appear in a specific order within the routine.
- Base Marks (BM) will be applied only to technical elements that are not performed correctly.
- All other elements will be judged under Execution and Artistic Impression.
- In Team and Combo routines, athletes must include at least one circle and one line pattern.

AQUABASIC 1

	HYBRID 1	HYBRID 2	HYBRID 3	HYBRID 4	ACRO	PAIR ACRO	SURCON
SOLO	Ballet leg	A1	F1	X	X	X	X
DUET	Ballet leg	A1	F1	X	X	X	X
TEAM **	Ballet leg	A2	F2a	A1	X	X	X

AQUABASIC 2

	HYBRID 1	HYBRID 2	HYBRID 3	HYBRID 4	ACRO	PAIR ACRO	SURCON
SOLO	Alternate ballet leg	A1+A2	F1+F2	X	X	X	X
DUET	Alternate ballet leg	A1+ A2	F1+F2	X	X	X	X
TEAM	Alternate ballet leg	F2a	C1	A1	X	X	X

AQUAPRO 1

	HYBRID 1	HYBRID 2	HYBRID 3	HYBRID 4	ACRO	PAIR ACRO	SURCON
SOLO	T3A	SB	F2C	X	X	X	X
DUET	T3A	SB	F2C	X	X	X	1
TEAM	Alternate ballet leg	C2A	A1a+A1d	F1B (hold for 2sec)	Group A or Group B	X	X

AQUAPRO 2

	HYBRID 1	HYBRID 2	HYBRID 3	HYBRID 4	ACRO	PAIR ACRO	SURCON
SOLO	T3	S1	F3C	X	X	X	X
DUET	T3	S1	F3C	X	X	Yes, with limits (TBA)	1
TEAM	T3A	C2 A	F1B+S1	A6	Group A or Group B	X	X

COMBO:

ACRO	Group A or Group B
SOLO	T3A
DUET	C2A
TEAM	A1+F1

Acro:

GROUP A			GROUP B		
CONSTRUCTION			CONSTRUCTION		
TYPE	CODE	VALUE	TYPE	CODE	VALUE
ANY KIND OF THROW	Thr	0,7	SIMPLE LIFT	L	0,7
DIRECTION			TYPE OF CONNECTION		
FORWARD	Forw	0,05	SIMPLE LIFT (USE ONLY WITH L CONSTRUCTION)	Li	0,1
POSITION1			POSITION1		
LINE	In	0,1	STAND	sd	0,05
BASE MARK		0,50	BASE MARK		0,50
	TOT	1,35		TOT	1,35

TIME LIMITS FOR STATE STREAM ROUTINES - UPDATED

Category	Duration	Tolerance	Required Hybrids
Solo	1 min 20 sec	± 5 seconds	3 hybrids
Duet & Mixed Duet	1 min 40 sec	± 5 seconds	3 hybrids +1 Pair Acro (Only for AquaPro)
Team	2 min 05 sec	± 5 seconds	4 hybrids + 1 Acro (Only for AquaPro)
Combo	2 min 20 sec	± 5 seconds (Can mix AquaBasic with AquaPro)	1x ACRO (limits) 1x Solo hybrid 1x Duet hybrid 1x Team hybrid