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## **iFly Singapore to host first indoor skydiving world championships in Asia Pacific**

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**15 May, 2012** – Leading up to its first anniversary, iFly Singapore announced today that it will host its first indoor skydiving world championships at its world's largest wind tunnel facility on Sentosa Island. It is the first time that a competition on this scale is held in the Asia Pacific region. Up to 400 flyers from around the world are expected to compete in professional and amateur categories during the four-day event from 13 to 16 December this year. Up for grabs will be cash and prizes worth over S\$150,000 and registration for the event will open second half of this year.

One of Singapore's representatives at the competition will be Team Firefly, 10-year old Kyra Poh and 11-year old Choo Yixuan. The two girls have been training for over a year at iFly Singapore and can execute tough manoeuvres such as flying in the head-down position. They will compete under the professional category.

"We are very proud to put Singapore on the regional map as the first country to host an indoor skydiving world championship in Asia Pacific. Being the world's largest wind tunnel using the latest technology to ensure realistic and safe simulation of skydiving, we have many skydivers all over the world including world and regional skydiving champions, training frequently in iFly Singapore. I'm very confident that they will be delighted and excited that we are hosting the world championships and will participate in the competition."

"To date, over 55,000 Singaporeans and foreign visitors have flown at our state-of-the-art wind tunnel with the youngest being a seven-year old and the oldest, an octogenarian from Singapore. All of them left with huge smiles on their faces. With about 10 per cent of our customers returning to take up training packages, the sport has been steadily gaining traction since we launched iFly Singapore last year. We are very happy that we are able to make this once considered niche sport available to everyone in safe, realistic and affordable indoor setting," said Mr Lawrence Koh, Founder and Managing Director, iFly Singapore.

During the competition, enthusiasts and spectators can expect to see top international skydiving teams vie for the top positions in five different disciplines<sup>1</sup> under the professional category including:

- 4-way formation skydiving
- 4-way vertical formation skydiving
- 2-way vertical formation skydiving
- 2-way freefly
- Neofreestyle

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<sup>1</sup> Detailed descriptions of the sections can be found in appendix



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Besides the professional category, competitors can also join the amateur category to pitch their skills in the following disciplines:

- 4-way formation skydiving
- 2-way freestyle
- Kids (Neofreestyle)

To cap the inaugural world championships, competitors and spectators can look forward to a grand finale at SkyLoft – a rooftop bar and restaurant at iFly Singapore with a capacity to hold events up to 250 people. Recently launched, SkyLoft offers diners a panoramic view of Sentosa Island and South China Sea. Besides the view, there are also live performances by local talents such as Jack and Rai, Shirlyn and the UnXpected, and 53A, and nightly fireworks from Sentosa's Songs of the Sea. This F&B restaurant is the latest addition to the three existing F&B outlets: O'Briens Irish Sandwich Café, Bora Bora Margarita Bar and McDonald's.

Set up in May, 2011, iFly Singapore has hosted several famous flyers and visitors including seven-time F1 world champion, Michael Schumacher, the Red Bull Toro Rosso F1 team, Emeritus Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong-returning officer of last year's General Elections and CEO of the People's Association Mr Yam Ah Mee and ex-Singapore Foreign Affairs Minister George Yeo.

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## Notes to Editors

### About iFly Singapore

iFly Singapore, located conveniently next to the Beach Station Hub on Sentosa, is the world's largest indoor skydiving wind tunnel. A first-of-its-kind for Singapore, the state-of-the-art wind tunnel allows anyone from first time flyers, to professional skydivers, the opportunity to fly in an easily accessible, realistic, safe and affordable setting. At a height of 56.5ft with a diameter of 16.5ft, iFly Singapore can accommodate up to 20 professional flyers at any one time. The facility is the only themed wind tunnel in the world that offers flyers a flight experience like no other. Designed like an airport, flyers check-in for their flight, go through a hanger, and suit up before taking flight.

iFly Singapore was spearheaded by founder and managing director, Mr Lawrence Koh and was designed and built in conjunction with SkyVenture USA.

For more information on iFly Singapore, please log on to [www.iflysingapore.com](http://www.iflysingapore.com)

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## **Appendix**

### **4-way formation skydiving**

Four team members fly in a horizontal position. They are given specific moves to perform in a set order and they have to complete that routine as many times as possible within 35 secs.

### **4-way vertical formation skydiving**

Four team members fly in a vertical position. They are given specific moves to perform in a set order and they have to complete that routine as many times as possible within 35 secs.

### **2-way vertical formation skydiving**

Two team members fly in a vertical position. They are given specific moves to perform in a set order and they have to complete that routine as many times as possible within 35 secs.

### **2-way freestyle**

Two team members fly in a vertical position and they choreograph their own routine that is 60 secs long. Judges look for elements that make the routine stand out. 3 rounds consist of a set routine.

### **Neofreestyle**

Solo flyer flies in a vertical or horizontal position and choreographs their own routine. Judges look for elements that make the routine stand out.