



2009 AUSTRALIAN FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS



Sydney, NSW

August 15 – 22, 2009

ANNOUNCEMENT

Organised by the NSW Ice Skating Association Inc. on behalf of Ice Skating Australia Inc.

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

The 2009 Australian Figure Skating Championships will be conducted in accordance with the

- ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2008;
- ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating and Ice Dancing 2008;
- ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2008;
- All pertinent ISU Communications; and
- Ice Skating Australia Regulations as amended April 2008.

2. TECHNICAL DATA

All championship events and all official practices will take place at Penrith Ice Palace (Synchronized) and Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink (Singles/Pairs/Dance). Penrith Ice Palace (PIP) and Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink (COIR) are indoor ice rinks with surfaces of 60m length x 30m width.

2.1 SINGLE SKATING – MEN AND LADIES

2.1.1 Primary

Short Program	Duration:	2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less	
		The required elements to be skated are listed in ISA Rule 310 paragraph 2.	
Free Skating	Duration:	2 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds	
		In accordance with ISA Rule 320	
Factors		In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, <u>m</u>) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Short Program	1.0	
	Free Skating	2.0	

2.1.2 Intermediate

Short Program	Duration:	2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less	
		The required elements to be skated are listed in ISA Rule 310 paragraph 2.	
Free Skating	Duration:	3 minutes, +/- 10 seconds	
		In accordance with ISA Rule 320	
Factors		In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, <u>m</u>) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Short Program	1.0	
	Free Skating	2.0	

2.1.3 Novice

Short Program	Duration:	2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less	
		The required elements to be skated are listed in ISA Rule 310 paragraph 2.	
Free Skating	Duration:	Men:	3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
		Ladies:	3 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
		In accordance with ISA Rule 320	
Factors		In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, <u>m</u>) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Short Program	1.0	
	Free Skating	2.0	

2.1.4 Junior

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 3, Group B 2009-2010 and the respective ISU Communication.

Free Skating Duration: Men: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
Ladies: 3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds

In accordance with ISU Rule 520

Factors In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:

Men

Short Program 1.0

Free Skating 2.0

Ladies

Short Program 0.8

Free Skating 1.6

2.1.5 Senior

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 2 and the respective ISU Communication.

Free Skating Duration: Men: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
Ladies: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

In accordance with ISU Rule 520

Factors In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:

Men

Short Program 1.0

Free Skating 2.0

Ladies

Short Program 0.8

Free Skating 1.6

2.2 PAIRS

2.2.1 Primary

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are listed in ISA Rule 313 paragraph 2.

Free Skating Duration: 3 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

In accordance with ISA Rule 321

Factors In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:

Short Program 1.0

Free Skating 2.0

2.2.2 Novice

- Short Program** Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are listed in ISA Rule 313 paragraph 2.
- Free Skating** Duration: 3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISA Rule 321
- Factors** In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:
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| Short Program | 1.0 |
| Free Skating | 2.0 |

2.2.3 Junior

- Short Program** Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Rule 513 paragraph 2 and 4, Group A 2009-2010 and the respective ISU Communication.
- Free Skating** Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISU Rule 521
- Factors** In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:
- | | |
|---------------|-----|
| Short Program | 0.8 |
| Free Skating | 1.6 |

2.2.4 Senior

- Short Program** Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Rule 513 paragraph 2 and 4, A 2009-2010 and the respective ISU Communication.
- Free Skating** Duration: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISU Rule 521
- Factors** In accordance with ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:
- | | |
|---------------|-----|
| Short Program | 0.8 |
| Free Skating | 1.6 |

2.3 ICE DANCE

2.3.1 Primary

- Compulsory Dance** In accordance with ISA Rules 335, 337, 557, the two (2) following Compulsory Dances will be skated: Group 1)
20 Silver Samba
24 Blues
- Original Dance** In accordance with ISA Rules, 338, 558.
The rhythm for the Original Dance is: Group 1
Foxtrot (28-32 measures per minute, 112-128 beats per minute)
Any type of Foxtrot dance music can be used. For the chosen type, there are no restrictions on the number of musical selections. Although the dance may consist of different musical selections – fast and/or slow – the Dance must reflect the character of a Foxtrot. The Foxtrot character and style must be translated to the ice by flow and use of edges.
Variations of tempo within one selection of music are permitted. Each

selection of music may have a different tempo.

Vocal music is permitted.

Duration: 1 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds

Free Dance

Duration: 2 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

In accordance with ISA Rule 339

Factors

The multiplying factors for the Program Components for Ice Dancing are listed in ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1 n).

2.3.2 Novice

Compulsory Dance

In accordance with ISA Rules 335, 337, 557, the two (2) following Compulsory Dances will be skated: Group 1

3 Rocker Foxtrot

14 Quickstep

Original Dance

In accordance with ISA Rules, 338, 558.

The rhythm for the Original Dance is Group 1:

Latin American (25-60 measures/minute, 100-140 beats/minute)

Any type of Latin American dance music can be used. For the chosen type, there are no restrictions on the number of musical selections. Although the dance may consist of different musical selections – fast and/or slow – the Dance must reflect the character of Latin American.

The Latin American character and style must be translated to the ice by flow and use of edges.

Variations of tempo within one selection of music are permitted. Each selection of music may have a different tempo.

Vocal music is permitted.

Duration: 1 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds

Free Dance

Duration: 2 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds

In accordance with ISA Rule 339

Factors

The multiplying factors for the Program Components for Ice Dancing are listed in ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1 n).

2.3.3 Junior

Compulsory Dance	In accordance with ISU Rules 335, 608 and 639 two Compulsory Dances will be skated. According to ISU Communication 1567, the two Compulsory Dances will be:
	# 6 Westminster Waltz
	# 22 Argentine Tango
Original Dance	In accordance with ISU Rule, 609 and all ISU Communications. The rhythm for the Original Dance is the
	Folk/Country Dance
	Any type of Folk/Country Dance music or typical dance of the country can be used. For the chosen type, there are no restrictions on the number of musical selections. Although the dance may consist of different musical selections – fast and/or slow – there must be a consistent theme based on a specific country or region. The arrangement of the chosen music should give a genuine feel for Folk/Country dance. It should be very distant from the feeling of the Grand Ballroom. Some examples: Village, Square, Street, Barn Dance, Hoedown, Mazurka, Polka, Tarantella, Hula, Hora, Csardas, Kalinka, Gapak, Syrtaky, Scottish, Irish, Jig, Reel, Guajira, Cumbia, Jarabe, Fandango, Aborigines' Dance, Chinese Dances, Lesginka, Country Waltz, Flamenco, etc. Argentine Tango is not included in the abovementioned Folk/Country dances and is not permitted because

	the rhythm is used in the Compulsory Dances (<i>Argentine Tango</i> announced for the season). It is recommended that couples should use their own traditional Folk/Country Music and dances. See Communication # 1567 for additional details.	
	Duration:	2 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
Free Dance	Duration:	3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
	In accordance with ISU Rule 610 and all pertinent ISU Communications.	
Factors	The multiplying factors for the Program Components for Ice Dancing are listed in ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1 <u>n</u>).	

2.3.4 Senior

Compulsory Dance In accordance with ISU Rules 335, 608 and 639 two Compulsory Dances will be skated.

According to ISU Communication 1567, the two Compulsory Dances will be:

11 Golden Waltz

23 Tango Romantica

Original Dance In accordance with ISU Rule, 609 and all ISU Communications.

The rhythm for the Original Dance is the

Folk/Country Dance

Any type of Folk/Country Dance music or typical dance of the country can be used. For the chosen type, there are no restrictions on the number of musical selections. Although the dance may consist of different musical selections – fast and/or slow – there must be a consistent theme based on a specific country or region. The arrangement of the chosen music should give a genuine feel for Folk/Country dance. It should be very distant from the feeling of the Grand Ballroom. Some examples: Village, Square, Street, Barn Dance, Hoedown, Mazurka, Polka, Tarantella, Hula, Hora, Csardas, Kalinka, Gapak, Syrtaky, Scottish, Irish, Jig, Reel, Guajira, Cumbia, Jarabe, Fandango, Aborigines' Dance, Chinese Dances, Lesginka, Country Waltz, Flamenco, etc. Argentine Tango is not included in the abovementioned Folk/Country dances and is not permitted because the rhythm is used in the Compulsory Dances (*Tango Romantica* announced for the season). It is recommended that couples should use their own traditional Folk/Country Music and dances. See Communication # 1567 for additional details.

Duration: 2 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds

Free Dance Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

In accordance with ISU Rule 610 and all pertinent ISU Communications.

Factors The multiplying factors for the Program Components for Ice Dancing are listed in ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1 n).

2.4 SYNCHRONIZED

Each participating Team may enter up to a maximum of four (4) alternates on the official entry form. Only those skaters whose names are listed on the official entry forms will be allowed to skate.

2.4.1 Adult

Free Skating	Duration:	3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
	In accordance with ISA Rule 1027	
Factors	In accordance with ISU Rule 738, paragraph 1, p) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Free Skating	1.6

2.4.2 Novice

Free Skating	Duration:	3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
	In accordance with ISU Communication <u>1528</u> , ISU Rule <u>911</u> and all pertinent ISU Communications	
Factors	In accordance with ISU Rule 738, paragraph 1, p) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Free Skating	1.6

2.4.3 Junior

Short Program	Duration:	2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
	The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Rule <u>905</u> , paragraph 3, a) to e), Requirements for Junior Short Program and the respective ISU Communication.	
Free Skating	Duration:	4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
	In accordance with ISU Rule <u>911</u> and all pertinent ISU Communications.	
Factors	In accordance with ISU Rule 738, paragraph 1, p) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Short Program	0.8
	Free Skating	1.6

2.4.4 Senior

Short Program	Duration:	2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
	The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Rule <u>905</u> , paragraphs 1 and 2, Group B 2009-2010 and the respective ISU Communication.	
Free Skating	Duration:	4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
	In accordance with ISU Rule <u>911</u> and all pertinent ISU Communications.	
Factors	In accordance with ISU Rule 738, paragraph 1, p) the multiplying factors for the <u>Program Components</u> are:	
	Short Program	0.8
	Free Skating	1.6

3. ENTRIES

State associations must enter competitors in accordance with ISA Rule 519.

Entry details must be sent simultaneously by email and/or fax and/or post to:

2009 AFSC Organising Committee

NSW Ice Skating Association Inc.

Email: NSWISA@NSWISA.com

Fax: 02 8732 1603
Post: PO Box 3266 North Strathfield, NSW, 2137

and to:

Ice Skating Australia Inc.
Email: administration@isa.org.au
Fax: 02 8732 1627

- All State associations must advise Entries by Number in Singles, Pairs & Dance events by **Friday, 17 July, 2009.**
- All State associations must submit Entries by Name for all Competitors and Substitutes for Singles, Pairs and Dance events **by Friday, 31 July, 2009.**
- All State Associations must submit the Official SSF-0903 Team Entry Forms listing all Competitors and substitutes for Synchronized Skating to the Operational Director for Synchronized Skating by **Friday, 10 July, 2009. Email this form only to stelangi@homemail.com.au.**

Payment of entry fees must be made directly to Ice Skating Australia Inc. and cheques must be made payable to Ice Skating Australia Inc.

Entry forms will be available on the ISA website, www.isa.org.au, on the NSWISA website www.nswisa.com or from ISA Administration, administration@isa.org.au.

3.1 ENTRY FEES (INCLUDING GST)

Entry fees provide all singles, pair, dance and synchronized competitors with free admission to all events and official practice sessions.

Singles (Ladies and Men)	\$250.00 per skater
Pair Skating	\$400.00 per pair
Ice Dance	\$430.00 per couple
Adult and Novice Synchronized Skating	\$160.00 per team member
Junior and Senior Synchronized Skating	\$175.00 per team member

3.2 LATE ENTRIES

Entries may be accepted after the closing date upon payment of double the entry fee for the particular event.

4. PRACTICE

Official practices for Synchronized Skating events will begin on Saturday, August 15, 2009.

Official practices for Singles, Pairs and Dance events will begin on Monday, August 17, 2009.

Unofficial Practice ice will be available and booking details will be published separately.

5. MUSIC & PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD (compact disk) format. The discs must show the exact running time of the music (not skating time). Each program (short/OD/free) must be recorded on one track and on a separate disk.

All CD's must show the Championship event, program type (ie SP/OD or FS/FD), Competitor's name & State, and the exact running time of the music (not the starting time) including any starting signal, and must be submitted at the time of registration. Skaters are to hand in their music on CDs inside a 'crystal'

or hard case and music will not be accepted if it is not in a case. All CD cases must be clearly labelled on the front of the case with the Competitor's name, event, and program type. All competitors must hand in **two** copies of each program CD at registration, so that a back-up copy is on hand at all times.

Dance Music to be played during practice sessions and competition events will be from the ISU Dance Music, tunes 1-5. The 6th (last) tune of the ISU Dance music will be played during event warm-ups.

All competitors/teams are required to submit a Planned Program Content (PPC) with their Entry Form. It is mandatory that the Program Content form for each program must be completed precisely by each skater/team using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

6. **DRAWS – ORDER OF SKATING**

The opening draws for the order of skating for Synchronized Skating Events will be held on Friday, 14 August, 2009 at Penrith Ice Palace.

The opening draws for the order of skating for Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance will be held on Sunday, 16 August, 2009 at Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink.

Intermediate draws for all events will be held in the designated areas at Penrith Ice Palace (Synchronized) and Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink (Singles/Pairs/Dance), immediately after the conclusion of the previous section, as applicable.

7. **INSURANCE/LIABILITY**

All members of State associations are covered under the ISA National Insurance Policy while participating in the 2009 Australian Figure Skating Championships. This Policy includes Sports Accident Cover.

ISA and NSWISA assume no responsibility or liability for other persons in connection with these Championships.

ISA recommends that any person travelling to Sydney for the Championships considers personal travel insurance.

8. **VENUES**

Synchronized: Penrith Ice Palace
 7 Patty's Place
 Penrith NSW 2750
 Tel: 02 4733 2611
 Fax: 02 4733 2622

Singles/Pairs/Dance: Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink
 Phillips Avenue, Tasker Park
 Canterbury NSW 2193
 Tel: 02 9789 4044
 Fax: 02 9789 4094

9. **ENQUIRIES**

Enquiries should be directed to nswisa@nswisa.com. Championship information including schedule and entry forms will be posted on the ISA website at www.isa.org.au.

10. CHAMPIONSHIP BANQUETS

Entry to both Championship Banquets will be by ticket only.

- The Synchronized Skating banquet will be held on the evening of Sunday, 16 August, 2008. Synchronized competitors may attend this banquet free of charge – only one ticket will be issued per skater regardless of how many Synchronized events in which they compete.
- The Figure Skating banquet will be held on the evening of Saturday, 22 August, 2009. Singles, Pairs and Dance competitors may attend this banquet free of charge – only one ticket will be issued per skater regardless of how many Figure Skating events in which they compete.
- Judges and Officials may purchase banquet tickets at a discounted price.
- Other people wishing to attend the banquets will be able to purchase tickets.
- All competitors (Synchronized Teams & Figure Skating), Judges, Officials and others wishing to attend the banquets should return the Banquet Booking Form by 7 August, 2008 to indicate numbers attending.

11. PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs of competitors may be submitted by 17 July, 2009 for possible inclusion in the Souvenir Program.

- The preferred method for submission is by electronic file (JPG, TIFF or EPS, minimum file size 300dpi - a JPG of 200Kb or higher). The competitor's name and event must accompany all electronic submissions and be emailed to Michael Santer at michaels@jamida.com.au.
- Photographs should be a minimum of 4cm x 4cm (Singles/Pairs/Dance) or 7.5cm x 10cm (Synchronized) and a maximum of A4 size. Photocopied photos are not acceptable, nor are home-printed inkjet photos unless supplied on photo quality paper. The competitor's name and event must be on the back of hard copy photos. Photos should be submitted to:

2009 AFSC Organising Committee

NSW Ice Skating Association Inc.

PO Box 3266 North Strathfield, NSW, 2137

- Photographs for use in both the Souvenir Program and Championship Accreditation ID will be taken during the 2009 Hollins Trophy at Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink in June and the NSW Championships at Penrith Ice Palace in July. Any participant who has already had their photographs taken at either of these events does not need to forward photographs.

12. ACCREDITATION

All participants should ensure that they complete accreditation formalities prior to their first activity. Photo accreditation of participants (competitors, judges, officials, coaches and others) who have not previously had photos taken during the 2009 Hollins Trophy or 2009 NSW Championships will be undertaken as follows:

Synchronized:

- Friday, 14 August, 2009

Penrith Ice Palace

from 7.00 am – 9.00 pm only.

Singles/Pairs/Dance:

- Saturday, 16 August, 2009
- Sunday, 17 August, 2009
- Monday, 18 August, 2009
- Tuesday, 19 August, 2009
- Wednesday, 20 August, 2009
- Thursday, 21 August, 2009

Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink

from 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm
from 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm
from 7.00 am – 9.00 pm
from 8.00 am – 8.00 pm
from 10.00 am – 8.00 pm
from 10.00 am – 8.00 pm

13. COACH ACCREDITATION

Only coaches accredited with the Australian Sports Commission may obtain accreditation.

No unaccredited Coaches will be allowed rink side during training session or events. In the case of an international coach who has not had the opportunity to pursue ACC accreditation, the coach may make written application to APSA seeking APSA endorsement for the provision of Championship accreditation upon review of evidence of qualifications submitted in English.

14. RESULTS

The ISU judging system will be used for all events.

15. ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

Anti-Doping tests may be conducted in accordance with the ISA Anti-Doping Policy and ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures.

16. AWARDS

In accordance with ISU Rule 517, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be presented to the Champion, second and third placed competitors respectively. Invited participants from other ISU Members who place in any of the top three positions in an Australian Championship event will be given appropriate medals in addition to those awarded to the three highest placed Australian competitors.

17. VIDEO RECORDING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

ISA retains the rights for any video recording of the Australian Championships. Spectators may apply in writing to use cameras and/or portable video equipment to record portions of the event for their private use only. Video Permit forms will be available on the ISA website or from the Championship Organising Committee. Power outlets will not be available. The use of FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY or VIDEO LIGHTS is not permitted during practices, warm-ups or events.

The ISA Member Protection Policy and NSW Ice Skating Association Member Protection Policy will be enforced.