



Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

Affiliated to the International Skating Union

ISA Exceptional Circumstances Policy

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Related Policies/ Procedures/ Forms			

1 Purpose of the Policy

This Policy encompasses guidelines for athletes with regards to exceptional or extenuating circumstances.

2 Application of Policy

This policy applies to all eligible Australian Singles, Pairs, Ice Dance and Synchronized skating athletes in Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice, Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior.

3 Policy Statement

This policy will apply to the following ISA Policies Listed.

- ISA – 02 Benchmark/Champ Series Events Policy
- ISA – 03 International Championship Selection Policy
- ISA – 05 ISA International Pool (Junior and Senior)
- ISA – 06 ISA International Selection Policy
- ISA – 07 ISA International Benchmark Policy (Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice and Advanced Novice)
- ISA – 09 ISA National Squad Policy

3.1 Panel

In considering the performances of athletes at events, trials, or training camps the Ice Skating Australia Selection Panel, comprised of President of Ice Skating Australia, Chair of the High Performance Committee, Chair of the Athlete Development Committee, Chair of the Judges and Officials Committee and two members of the Ice Skating Australia Board as appointed by the ISA Board may give weight to extenuating circumstances. In the event of a tie, the President of Ice Skating Australia will receive another vote to break the tie.

3.2 Exceptional or Extenuating Circumstances

For the purposes of clause 3.1, “extenuating circumstances,” means an inability to compete in and/or attend events, trials, training camps or other competitions arising from:

- (i) injury or illness;
- (ii) equipment failure;
- (iii) bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member, which means a spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling; and/or
- (iv) any other factors reasonably considered by Ice Skating Australia to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- (v) Covid 19 circumstances

3.3 Exceptional or Extenuating Circumstances Procedure

Athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or training camps must advise the Ice Skating Australia President in writing of the reason(s) prior the commencement of the event, trial, or training camp. Advice to the President must also be submitted simultaneously to both the ISA Administrator and Secretary with all supporting documents attached.

In the case of illness or injury, athletes may be required to undergo an examination by a medical practitioner nominated by Ice Skating Australia.

Change History

Version	Approval Date	Change
4.0	29 June 2020	Updated Policy for 2020/2021 Season
3.0	1st June 2019	Updated Policy for 2019/ 2020 Season
2.0	28 th May 2018	Updated Policy for 2018/ 2019 Season
1.0	30 th May 2017	New Policy