



Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

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International Championship Selection Policy

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Related Policies/ Procedures/ Forms			

1 Covid 19

The Covid 19 situation is constantly changing and the ability to predict what national and international events will occur this season, at this point in time, is impossible. The lack of events and athlete activity last season has made the ranking of athletes challenging, and the ISA Board has chosen to rely on available scores to rank and nominate athletes. Athletes should consider their sporting career path and maximise opportunities available. The international skating landscape hasn't disappeared, it has just adapted without losing momentum. ISA will continue to look for opportunities to create a competitive landscape within Australia that allows for Australian athletes, whether they are located in Australia or training overseas, to compete and improve.

If the 2021 AFSC is not held, or the division not held, or international events unavailable to be used for selection, then the ISA Board will use its discretion to nominate athletes to events based on available ranking data.

2 Purpose of the Policy

This Policy establishes the criteria for selection to ISU Championship Events in the current international skating season.

3 Application of Policy

This policy applies to all eligible Australian Singles, Pairs, and Ice Dance athletes in Junior and Senior. Should the period covered by the policy not be reviewed prior to the review date, then the intent and conditions of the policy will continue and stay in force until such time as the Policy is reviewed and updated.

4 Policy Statement

Selection to ISU Championship Events for the Current International Skating Season is subject to entry quotas and minimum Technical Scores, achieved at least 21 days prior to the Championship event, as published by the ISU in Communication 1876 or subsequent ISU Communications. These Policies will be updated when the ISU amend the required scores through subsequent communications, however, regardless of whether this policy is updated, the provisions of those ISU Communications will prevail.

ISA will not enter an athlete in any international event whilst there is any outstanding debt owed to ISA by the athlete or a coach/former coach of an athlete.

ISA will not enter an athlete in an international event without first obtaining payment for any costs likely to be incurred by the athlete/athlete's coach/family members travelling with the athlete to the event.

If in the view of ISA an athlete has not satisfactorily prepared for an event, then in its absolute discretion, ISA may cancel the athlete's nomination and appoint the next ranked athlete to attend the event.

4.1 Four Continents

- (a) Selection to the 2022 ISU Four Continents Championships will be based on ISA rankings from the Senior Division and allocated to senior age eligible athletes from the ISA Senior International Pool:

- (i) Who have achieved the ISU minimum Technical Scores for Four Continents Figure Skating Championships at an ISU Senior International Event prior to the close of entries for the event.

The current ISU Minimum Technical Scores for Four Continents, as published by the ISU are: These are subject to change by the ISU.

Men	SP 28.0	FS 46.0
Women	SP 23.0	FS 40.0
Pair Skating	SP 25.0	FS 42.0
Ice Dance	RD 28.0	FD.44.0

and

- (ii) have adhered to the code of conduct and Athlete Agreement in the current international skating season.
- (b) The maximum number of entries for Australia in each discipline is three (3). Subsequently ranked athletes will be entered as substitutes.
If more than 3 athletes in each discipline have met the above requirements, athletes will then be ranked and selected based on ISA season rankings from the Senior Division.
- (c) The nominations will be published on the ISA website (www.isa.org.au) after the completion of the Australian Figure Skating Championships 2021.
- (d) If ISA is unable to fill the full entry quota by 12 December 2021, then ISA will consider any athletes in the ISA Senior or Junior International pool who are able to meet the ISU Minimum Technical Score requirements for ISU Four Continents Championships at a Senior International Event as listed on the ISU Calendar between the completion of the Australian Figure Skating Championships 2021 until 5 days prior to the closing date of entries. Athletes entered into ISU international competitions within the specified timeframe will receive a provisional entry for the ISU Four Continents Championship subject to achieving the ISU Minimum Technical Scores for ISU Four Continents Championships. In the event that there is a tie for selection the tie will be broken on using the highest short program/short dance TES.

4.2 World Championships

- (a) Selection for the 2022 ISU World Figure Skating Championships will be allocated to senior age eligible athletes from the ISA Senior International Pool who:
- (i) have achieved the ISU Minimum Technical Scores for 2022 World Figure

Skating Championships at a Senior International Event as listed on the ISU Calendar by the completion of the Four Continents Championships_2021.

The current ISU minimum Technical Scores for World Figure Skating Championships as published by the ISU are: These are subject to change by the ISU.

Men	SP 34.0	FS 64.0
Women	SP 30.0	FS 51.0
Pair Skating	SP 27.0	FS 44.0
Ice Dance	RD 33.0	FD 47.0

and

- (ii) have adhered to the code of conduct and Athlete Agreement in the current international skating season
- (b) If more than one (1) athlete in each discipline has met the above requirements, athletes will be ranked and selected based on the athletes total TES achieved at two (2) Senior ISU Championships or ISU International Events during the current International Skating Season. If the required number of scores from this season are not available to rank athletes, then ISA may use scores, if necessary, from the 2019/2020 or 2020/2021 international season.
- (c) The nominations will be published on the ISA website (www.isa.org.au) after the completion of the Four Continents Championships 2022. Subsequently ranked athletes will be entered as substitutes.
- (d) If ISA is unable to fill the full entry quota by **1st February 2022**, then ISA will consider any athletes in the ISA Senior or Junior International pool who are able to achieve the ISU Minimum Technical Scores for ISU World Figure Skating Championships between the completion of the Four Continents Championships 2022 until the closing date of entries. Athletes entered into ISU international competitions within the specified timeframe will receive a provisional entry for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships subject to achieving the ISU Minimum Technical Scores ISU World Figure Skating Championships. In the event that there is a tie for selection the tie will be broken on using the highest short program/short dance TES.

4.3 World Junior Championships

- (a) Selection for the 2022 ISU World Junior Championship will be allocated to junior age eligible athletes from the ISA Junior and Senior International Pool:
 - (i) Who have achieved the ISU minimum Technical Scores for 2022 Junior World Figure Skating Championships by **22 January, 2022**.

The current ISU minimum Technical Scores for Junior World Figure Skating Championships, which can only be obtained in ISU International Junior Competitions/ Championships are: These are subject to change by the ISU.

Men	SP 23.0	FS 42.0
Women	SP 23.0	FS 38.0
Pair Skating	SP 23.0	FS 34.0
Ice Dance	RD 23.0	FD 37.0

and

- (b) If more than one (1) athlete in each discipline has met the above requirements, athletes will be ranked and selected based on the athletes total TES achieved at

two (2) ISU Championships or ISU International Events during the current international season. If the required number of scores from this season are not available to rank athletes, then ISA may use scores from events prior to the current international season. For the purpose of ranking age eligible senior athletes for selection, the following will be omitted from the Senior technical scores.

Discipline	Element Omitted
Men	Choreographic Sequence (ChSq)
Women	Choreographic Sequence (ChSq)
Pairs	1 Lift with lowest base value
Ice Dance	1 Lift and 1 Choreographic Element with lowest base value

- If the highest ranked skater under this policy is eligible for selection for both World Championships & Junior World Championships, then ISA reserves the right, if it chooses, to select the next ranked skater under this policy to attend Junior Worlds.
 - If sufficient international scores are not available from this International Season, then ISA may use ISA ranking scores.
- (c) The nominations will be published on the ISA website (www.isa.org.au) by 5 February 2022.
- (d) If ISA is unable to fill the full entry quota by **30 January 2022** then ISA will consider any athletes in the ISA Junior International pool who are able to achieve the ISU Minimum Technical Score requirements for Junior World Figure Skating Championships at a Junior or Senior ISU international competition between 30 January 2021 and prior to the closing date of entries. Athletes entered into ISU international competitions within the specified timeframe will receive a provisional entry for the ISU World Junior Championship subject to achieving the required ISU Minimum Technical Scores for Junior Worlds Figure Skating Championships. In the event that there is a tie for selection the tie will be broken on using the highest short program/rhythm dance TES.

4.4 Junior Grand Prix

- (a) Selection for the 2021/2022 ISU Junior Grand Prix will be allocated to junior age eligible athletes from the ISA Junior or Senior International Pool.
- (b) If more than one (1) athlete in each discipline has met the above requirements, athletes will be ranked and selected based on the athletes TES ranking. Selection will be based on the ISA Rankings as at 30th June 2021, with the addition of any benchmark events completed by 1 July 2021.
- i. Where possible athletes will be allocated one of their preferences;
 - ii. ISA reserves the right, if it chooses, to allocate an athlete/couple up to a maximum of 2 Junior Grand Prix Events.
- (c) The nominations will be published on the ISA website (www.isa.org.au) and made known to the athletes as soon as possible.
- (d) In the event that there is a tie for selection the tie will be broken by using the highest short program/dance TES.
- (e) Substitute selection for 2021/2022 ISU Junior Grand Prix will be allocated to junior age eligible athletes from the ISA Junior or Senior International Pool. Substitutes will be placed in a pool of athletes for all Junior Grand Prix events and selected based on the athletes' TES

ranking.

Change History

Version	Approval Date	Change
9.0	21 July 2021	Updated Policy for 2021/2022 season
8.0	29 June 2020	Updated Policy for 2020/2021 season
7.1	22 July 2019	Updated Policy for 2019/ 2020 season
7.0	19 June 2019	Updated Policy for 2019/ 2020 season
6.0	28 May 2018	Updated Policy for 2018/ 2019 season
5.0	30 April 2017	Updated Policy for 2017/ 2018 season
4.0	30 April 2016	Updated Policy for 2016/ 2017 season
3.0	5 January 2014	Updated policy for 2014/ 2015 season
2.1	18 August 2013	Updated policy for 2013/ 2014 season
1.1	19 October 2012	Grammar and definition clarification
1.0	9 October 2012	New Policy