



# Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

Affiliated to the International Skating Union

## International Benchmark Policy (Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice, & Advanced Novice)

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<b>Related Policies/ Procedures/ Forms</b>			

### 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 minimum standards for Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice and Advanced Novice athletes to be eligible for the International Pool of athletes who are then to be considered for selection to ISU international events in the 2021/2022 season.

### 3 Application of Policy

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

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

All Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice, and Advanced Novice athletes in Singles/Pairs/Ice Dance who meet either Section A (3.1) OR Section B (3.2) criteria will be included in the International Pool for the Current International Skating Season.

Skaters will be eligible for selection to International Events once they have achieved the requisite score/s and will be considered in the International Pool of athletes.

Furthermore, athletes who provide notification of retirement or a partnership split in Ice Dance and Pairs will not be considered in the International Pool any longer under that partnership

### 3.1 Section A

Athletes in the Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice, and Advanced Novice divisions who have achieved the ISA Minimum Technical Score (FS for Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice and SP and FP for Advanced Novice) in the International Skating Seasons ( 2019/2020, or 2020/2021 or 2021/2022) at an ISU international event, or an ISA Benchmark/Champ Series Event in the Australian Skating Seasons

- **Section B**

Athletes who achieve the following scores at a 2019/2020, or 2020/2021, or 2021/2022 ISA Benchmark/Champ Series Event or at the 2019, 2021 AFSC.

- **Basic Novice Division**

Obtain the Basic Novice Division Minimum Technical Score (FS) in the Basic Novice division:

Men	<u>FS 13</u>
Women	<u>FS 13</u>
Pairs	<u>FS 12</u>
Ice Dance	<u>PD 9</u>
	<u>FD 12</u>

- **Intermediate Novice Division**

Obtain the Intermediate Novice Division Minimum Technical Score (FS) in the Intermediate Novice division:

Men	<u>FS 14</u>
Women	<u>FS 14</u>
Ice Dance	<u>PD 10</u>
	<u>FD 13</u>

- **Advanced Novice Division**

Obtain the Advanced Novice ISA Minimum Technical Score (SP and FS) in the Advanced Novice division:

Men	<u>SP 14</u>	<u>FS 22</u>
Women	<u>SP 14</u>	<u>FS 19</u>
Pairs	<u>SP 8</u>	<u>FS 13</u>
Ice Dance	<u>PD 13</u>	<u>FD 16</u>

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