

200 SECTION - COMPETITIONS

201 CLASSES OF COMPETITION

Competitions of the Association are classed as:

- 201.1 New Zealand National Championships.
- 201.2 New Zealand Adult Skating National Championships
- 201.3 Competitions in Figure Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating.
- 201.4 Exhibitions in Figure Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating.

202 PARTICIPATION IN SKATING EVENTS NOT ORGANISED BY AN AFFILIATED ORGANISATION

- 202.1 Eligible persons may participate in ice shows, exhibitions and demonstrations organised by non-affiliated groups or persons as long as they do not involve competition or judging of any kind. Such events shall be considered to be sanctioned by the NZISA and participants have the permission of the NZISA to participate.
- 202.2 For competitions and other events involving judging, organised by a non-affiliated organisation, permission must be sought from the NZISA. The NZISA may, at its discretion, sanction the event and permit participation but only where all participants, officials and judges are from New Zealand.
- 202.3 In the case of an event organised by a non-affiliated organisation involving both competition and participants from outside New Zealand, the event must be sanctioned by the ISU prior to permission being granted by the NZISA for skaters and officials to participate.
- 202.4 Failure to comply with any part of this rule may result in the participant becoming ineligible.

203 PARTICIPATION IN COMPETITIONS

- 203.1 Competitions as set out in Rule 201 are open only to skaters who belong to a Club affiliated to the Association or to non-resident guests.
- 203.2 Association Championship trophies can be held only by competitors who qualify for residential status as per Rule 216.
- 203.3 A skater or synchronized skating team may only represent one club per season in NZISA and/or Sub Association exhibitions, competitions and championships. Dance couples and pair skaters may represent two different clubs. A skater may transfer to a new Home Club after gaining a written clearance from their current Home Club that they are a member in good standing. Notification of the transfer as well as a copy of the letter of clearance from the original Home Club of the skater must be sent to the National Technical Secretary by the Club Secretary of the new Home Club for the skater.
- 203.4 A declaration of a skater's Home Club each season is determined by the skater's selection on the Test and Competition Registration application to the Association.
- 203.5 Any skater or team selected for, or wishing to compete in any overseas competition shall be governed by the following:
 - a) Only skaters selected to represent New Zealand under Rule 301 shall be eligible to enter Junior or Senior International Competitions, ISU Championships, or the National competition of another ISU Member.
 - b) Eligible skaters wishing to participate in Inter-Club Australian and International competitions held under ISU rules by clubs affiliated to ISU Members do not need permission from the NZISA to participate, but should inform the NZISA before they make arrangements.

- c) Skaters wishing to enter other overseas competitions must first receive written permission from the NZISA before submitting any entry. Full details of the competition and grade to which the entry is being made must be given. The NZISA shall not give permission where the event is not sanctioned by an ISU Member.
- d) Failure to comply with any part of this rule may result in the skater becoming ineligible.

203.6 All New Zealand resident skaters entering a New Zealand National or Regional Sub-Association Championship shall hold a current NZISA Test and Competition registration. Skaters entering grades at other competitions, where the competition requirements specify an NZISA test attainment, shall hold a current NZISA Test and Competition registration.

203.7 **PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT INFORMATION**

At all competitions, competitors in every event to be scored using the IJS must submit for each program their planned program content (PPC) information (including musical selection) no later than two weeks prior to the respective competition. Competitors must complete either the electronic form on the NZISA website or submit a paper copy. Changed PPC sheets must be handed in to the Accreditation desk at the time of registration for the information of the Technical Panel. Entries will not be accepted without a completed PPC, either hard copy or electronic.

204 ENTRIES, FEES AND CLOSING DATES FOR ENTRIES FOR NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

204.1 The Council shall set the entry fees and closing dates. The entry forms and announcements for the NZ National Championships to be distributed to affiliated Clubs by 30 April.

204.2 The entry form must state:

- a) The event the competitor wishes to enter.
- b) Name, address, registration number and name of Home Club

204.3 All skaters must hold the required tests for the grade entered at the closing date of the entry.

205 QUALIFICATION FOR ENTRY TO NZ NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

205.1 All single skaters, pairs, dance couples and synchronized teams must have competed at a local Club competition or a Regional Sub-Association Championship in that discipline during the year in order to qualify for Nationals. The Council may give dispensation to skaters who miss these competitions through illness or injury.

205.2 NZ Residents, or citizens training or competing overseas as New Zealand representatives at the time of their respective Club or a Regional Sub-Association Championship are exempted from Rule 205.1.

205.3 Additional skaters may be accepted from other ISU members as guest entries as provided for in the announcement, at the discretion of Council.

205.4 Skaters with a NZ Residency of less than 1 year will be accepted as guest entries.

206 WITHDRAWAL

Withdrawal of an entry is permitted before the closing of entries. After the closing of entries any skater withdrawing will not be entitled to a reimbursement of entry fees, except if the withdrawal is on medical grounds. Such withdrawal is permitted up to, but not including, the first day of official practices for competition, subject to the provision of a medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner.

207 POSTPONEMENT OF DATE OF CHAMPIONSHIP

- 207.1 Postponement of the date of a championship necessitates an extension of the date for the closing of entries for a corresponding period.
- 207.2 When possible Clubs entering competitors must be notified at once of the postponement so as to permit the withdrawal of entries before the new date for the closing of entries.
- 207.3 If a championship or competition is cancelled the entry fees shall be returned to the competitors.

208 NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCIDENT OR INJURIES

The organisers do not accept any liability for damages or injuries sustained by skaters or officials.

209 PRIZES

Cash prizes may be awarded.

210 COMPETITION OFFICIALS

210.1 Judges, Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Assistant Technical Specialists and Computer Operators appointed for Club, Sub-Association and Association Championships, held under NZISA rules, must be on the NZISA approved list of officials.

- Officials for Sub-Association Championships must be appointed by the regional Technical Committee.
- Officials for National Championships must be appointed by the National Technical Committee.

210.2 A Judge, Referee, Technical Controller, Technical Specialist, Assistant Technical Specialist or Computer Operator shall not officiate in an event of a competition, nor shall a Judge or Referee officiate at a test where any of the following circumstances prevail:

- a) When they are closely related (defined as husband, wife, defacto partner, mother, father, son, daughter, sister and brother) to the candidate.
- a) When they have been a skating partner of the candidate during the past 24 months in a competition or test.
- c) When they are closely related to either:
 - i) a coach of the candidate or
 - ii) any person who has been a coach of the candidate during the preceding twelve months.
- d) Except in extenuating circumstances, members of the same family or close relatives shall not be permitted to serve as Referees or Judges in the same panel of any event at any championship, competition or test, even if they represent different clubs.

210.3 When due to extenuating circumstances, an Official is required to officiate contrary to Rule 211.2, the National Technical Committee members present must assume the responsibility to verify the procedures employed and/or the calculated results for the event where conflict exists.

211 NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

211.1 The date and venue for the New Zealand National Championships shall be set by the Council and announced at the previous year's New Zealand National Championships. Provision shall be made for alternative dates and venues if conditions prove to be unsuitable. If felt necessary the authority to consider arrangements for alternative dates and venues can be granted to other bodies within the Association.

- 211.2 The date and venue for the Adult Skating National Championships shall be set by Council and will be held annually in conjunction with the New Zealand National Championships.
- 211.3 The Association shall have the power to enter into agreement with the Club or organisation at the rink the championships are to be held; the agreement to include finance, officials (other than skating officials), competitors' changing rooms and a Secretary's room.
- 211.4 New Zealand National Championships must be conducted under the Rules and Regulations as defined in the Constitution. The Council may empower a Club, Sub-Association or adhoc committee to conduct the New Zealand National Championships in association with the National Technical Committee.
- 211.5 The National Technical Committee shall, by the 30th day of April, hand to the Secretary of the Association the Announcement and schedules of the events to be skated at the New Zealand National Championships. These schedules, which shall set out in detail the full requirements for all grades, are to be mailed promptly to member Clubs of the NZISA and will also include any other relevant information.
- 211.6 The National Championships shall be held at a suitable indoor rink that has a minimum ice surface of 26m by 56m.

212 CHAMPIONSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

After the closing of entries the organising committee shall publish the names of competitors, starting times and programme of events not less than two weeks prior to the start of the event. This information is subject to change if necessary after publication.

213 ANNOUNCEMENTS, DRAWS, OFFICIAL PRACTICES AND WARM UP GROUPS

- 213.1 The draws for the starting order of National Championships are to be made publicly by the Referee and must be placed in a visible area for Competitors and Officials to see as well as on the NZISA website.
- 213.2 The Referee should ask the Organiser to check the correct spelling of the names of the competitors and officials. For North and South Island Championships, the draws are to be made by the Referee or appointed representative. For Club and other sub-association events, a referee, senior judge or member of the organizing committee may conduct the draw for the starting order of the first or only section of an event. Draws for subsequent sections of an event are to be conducted by the Referee.
- 213.3 Starting numbers shall be drawn by each competitor, if present, by official representatives of their club or by members of the organizing committee.
- 213.4 The official announcement of the entries and of the panels of Judges and Technical Panel Officials is to be publicly posted by the Organising Committee (Club and Sub-Association competitions) and by the NZISA for National Championships at least 24 hours prior to the first starting order draw of that event. Preliminary unofficial announcements of entries and Judges may be made by the organisers at any time after the closing of the entries.
- 213.5 The official announcement of the entries and of the panels of officials is made by the Referee of each event at the time of the first starting order draw of that event. Preliminary unofficial announcements of entries and officials may be made by the organisers at any time after the close of entries.
- 213.6 For practice sessions during Nationals, once the championships have commenced, i.e. official practices for events, competitors are not allowed to practice on the competition ice surface except on official / unofficial practices organised by the Organising Committee. Once a competitor's official practices for an event begin, they may only skate on official practice sessions. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in a competitor being disqualified from the NZ National Championships for that year. The Organising Committee is required to provide unofficial practice ice on the competition ice surface for competitors with the expense to be borne by the competitors. ISU rules regarding practices for competitions do not apply to any New Zealand domestic competitions.
- 213.7 For Ice Dancing, the starting order draws will be conducted as per ISU Rules
- 213.8 For Synchronized Skating, the starting order draws will be conducted as per ISU Rules.

WARM UP GROUPS

213.9 For grades Primary, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior, a maximum of 6 Singles skaters or 4 Pair couples per warm up group will be allowed as per current ISU Rules and a maximum of 5 Dance couples as per current ISU Rules.

213.10 For other grades, a maximum of 8 Singles skaters, 5 Pair couples or 6 Dance couples per warm up group will be allowed.

214 NATIONAL TITLES

Note: For all Singles grades, separate titles for Men and Ladies will be competed for.

The following titles shall be competed for at national level:

Discipline/Grade	Singles	Pair Skating	Ice Dancing	Synchronized Skating	Solo Dance
Senior	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Junior	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Novice	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Intermediate	✓			Open	Open
Primary	✓	✓	✓		✓
Pre Primary	✓	✓	✓		✓
Juvenile U12	✓	✓	✓	✓	Juvenile
Juvenile O12	✓				

The following Adult Skating titles shall be competed for at national level:

Discipline/Grade	Singles	Pair Skating	Ice Dancing	Synchronized Skating
Bronze	✓	✓	✓	
Silver	✓	✓	✓	
Gold	✓	✓	✓	
Elite	✓	✓	✓	
Adult				✓
Adult Interpretive	✓			

NOTE: Each grade will be split into **two divisions, 18 – 34 years of age and 35 +**. If there are less than three entries in a division, then the divisions for that grade will be combined. For Adult Interpretive, there is only one age division as it is an Open event. **For the Interpretive Event, there are two divisions, Bronze/Silver and Gold/Elite**. If there are less than three entries in a division, then the divisions for the Interpretive event will be combined.

In Adult Ice Dancing, separate titles are awarded for Compulsory, Original and Free Dance events.

215 CHALLENGE TROPHIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

215.1 The winner or winners of any championship to which a Challenge Trophy is attached shall be entitled to hold possession of the trophy until one month prior to the next championship when it shall be returned to the Secretary of the Association in good order and condition.

- 215.2 The cost of repairing trophies damaged while in the care of the titleholder will be a charge against the titleholder, unless covered by insurance.
- 215.3 The engraving of National trophies will be the responsibility of the Association.
- 215.4 No Challenge Trophies may be won outright or taken from New Zealand.

216 RESIDENTIAL STATUS

- 216.1 New Zealand titles and New Zealand Adult Skating titles can only be held by New Zealand citizens and residents.
- 216.2 Persons who have resided in New Zealand for twelve months continuously for the twelve months preceding the championship shall qualify under Rule 216.1. Continuously shall mean not having left New Zealand for a period in excess of twenty-one days.
- 216.3 Visitors to New Zealand may participate in competitions or championships only if they can furnish written permission from their own National Association.

217 NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIALS

- 217.1 The Technical Committee shall appoint the following officials for the New Zealand National Championships:

For ISU Judging System:

- a) Referees
 - b) Judges
 - c) Technical Controllers
 - d) Technical Specialists
 - e) Assistant Technical Specialists (optional)
 - f) Data Entry Operators
 - g) Video Cutter/Replay
 - h) Computer operators
 - i) One timekeeper for the programmes
- NB. a), b) and c) must be eligible persons

Note: All other officials shall be appointed by the Championship Organising Committee.

- 217.2 For the National Championships and for North and South Island Championships, the ISU Judging System shall be used. For all Club and other sub-association championships, the ISU Judging System must be used for all NZISA grades. Other grades, such as KiwiSkate levels, can be judged using the 6.0 system.

218 MARKING

- 218.1 Under the IJS, results are determined by segment scores for Short Program and Free Skate and overall by total points.
- 218.2 Recording of marks and determination of results shall be as per ISU Rules 369 to 372 inclusive.
- 218.3 For events in which guest (overseas) skaters are competing, the determination of the results shall be carried out by removing guest skaters from the overall placing and promoting New Zealand competitors to fill these places keeping the order of the New Zealand competitors unchanged.

219 ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINAL RESULT

- 219.1 The results shall be displayed as soon as possible after the completion of each event.

219.2 Results of New Zealand National Championships shall be published for all concerned as soon as possible following the competition.

220 SCRUTINY OF PROTOCOLS

220.1 If a mistaken result is announced for any Club, Regional or New Zealand National Championship event, the true result shall be publicly communicated as soon as possible and records amended accordingly.

221 ALLCHURCH SHIELD

Allocation of points for this shield are as follows:

Category/Programme	Allocated Points		
	First Place (3 or more competitors)	Second Place (3 or more competitors)	Third Place (3 or more competitors)
		First Place (2 competitors)	Second Place (2 competitors)
			First Place (1 competitor)
SINGLES			
Short Programme	3 points	2 points	1 point
Freeskating	3 points	2 points	1 point
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
PAIRS			
Short Programme	3 points	2 points	1 point
Freeskating	3 points	2 points	1 point
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
DANCE			
C1 and C2 [Note 1]	3 points	2 points	1 point
OD and FD [Note 2]	3 points	2 points	1 point
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
N Z WALTZING TROPHY	3 points	2 points	1 point
NORMAN WRIGHT TROPHY	3 points	2 points	1 point
SYNCHRONIZED (except Adult)			
Short Programme	3 points	2 points	1 point
Freeskating	3 points	2 points	1 point
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
ADULT SYNCHRONIZED			
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
ADULT SINGLES			
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
ADULT INTERPRETIVE			
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
ADULT PAIRS			
Championship (overall)	3 points	2 points	1 point
ADULT DANCE			
C1 and C2 [Note 1]	3 points	2 points	1 point
OD [Note 2 & 3]	3 points	2 points	1 point
FD [Note 2 & 3]	3 points	2 points	1 point
Championship (overall) [Note 3]	3 points	2 points	1 point
SOLO DANCE			
Juvenile and Pre Primary [Note 1]	3 points	2 points	1 point
Primary [Note 4]	3 points	2 points	1 point
Open [Note 4]	3 points	2 points	1 point

Notes:

1. Points for the two compulsory dances are averaged, (CD1 + CD2)/ 2.
2. For Juvenile, Pre Primary, Primary and Novice dance, points are allocated for the Free Dance. For Bronze Adult dance, points are allocated for the Original dance. For

- Junior and Senior dance and Silver, Gold and Elite Adult dance, points for Original Dance and Free Dance are averaged, $(OD + FD)/2$.
3. For Adult Ice Dance events, the sections, CD, OD and FD can be competed as separate events. Only the overall winner in any grade (with the highest combined point total for any and all CD, OD and FD skated) will be awarded points for the Allchurch Shield.
 4. For the Primary Dance event, points for the compulsory dance and variation dance are averaged $(CD + VD)/2$. For the Open Dance event, points for the compulsory dance and combination dance are averaged $(CD + CoD)/2$.

222 PROTESTS

The following rules regarding protests apply to Club, Sub-Association and National Championships.

- 222.1 Protests regarding eligibility of competitors must be lodged with the Referee, Technical Controller or Technical Committee Secretary before the draw takes place. The list of competitors must be published before the draw.
- 222.2 **Persons Entitled to File a Protest**
Protests may be lodged only:
 - a) By a competitor(s) (team captain in Synchronized Skating) entered for the competition concerned or a Team Leader accredited for the competition concerned;
 - b) With the approval of such competitor(s) or Team Leader, by members of the committee organising the competition, or by official representatives of those Associations or Clubs which have entered competitors.
- 222.3 Protests concerning the participation of a competitor must be lodged verbally with the Event Referee or nominated representative before the competition starts.
- 222.4 If an immediate decision cannot be reached, the competitor is permitted to start, but the displaying of the result and the distribution of the prizes shall be deferred until a decision has been reached.
- 222.5 Any other protests must be made to the Event Referee, Technical Controller or Technical Committee Secretary no more than 48 hours after the results have been published.
- 222.6 No later protests will be considered.
- 222.7 The Referee decides upon all protests.
- 222.8 **Protest Restrictions**
 - i) No protests against the evaluations by Judges and the Technical Panel (Technical Controller, Technical Specialists, Data Operator, Replay Operator) of skaters' performances are allowed;
 - ii) Protests against the result are permitted only in the case of incorrect mathematical calculation or incorrect application of ISU and/or NZISA rules resulting in the incorrect number of points being awarded to a skater, couple or team for an element or deducted in the case of a fall. A wrong identification of an element or of a level of difficulty, although it results in a lower or higher score, is a human error and not an incorrect mathematical calculation;
 - iii) However, if the Referee learns:
 - a) prior to the beginning of award ceremony or prior to the official announcement of results if there is no award ceremony, that a human error relating to wrong data input by the Data Operator occurred or the ISU and/or NZISA Rules were incorrectly applied to the crediting of elements or the deduction of falls performed by a competitor, the Referee or Technical Controller may correct the error provided that the Referee or Technical Controller, both Technical Specialists and the Data Operator (in the case of an input error) all agree that there was an error;

- b) within 48 hours after the award ceremony or results being published (whichever occurs later) that an incorrect mathematical calculation or incorrect application of the ISU or NZISA rules occurred, the Referee or Technical Controller may correct the calculation even without protest provided that the Referee or Technical Controller, both Technical Specialists and the Data Operator (in the case of an input error) all agree that there was an incorrect calculation or error in the way points were credited in the case of an element or deducted in the case of a fall. If such correction requires corrections of the final placements of the competitors, the corresponding medals and/or awards shall be changed accordingly.

222.9 Protests Regarding Composition of Officials Panels

Protests concerning the composition of the Judges and Technical Panels for National Championships must be lodged with the National Technical Committee Secretary or nominated representative within one hour of the first starting order draw for the event.

223 APPEALS – Deleted in 2007

224 CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS AND COACHES TOWARDS OFFICIALS

224.1 Competitors and coaches must obey implicitly the instructions of the officials in charge of the competition.

224.2 A competitor or coach who, either directly or through a third party, openly expresses themselves in an improper manner regarding the officials or their decisions, or regarding the markings of the Judges may be excluded by the Council of the Association for a definite period from Association Championships and International Competitions.

224.3 Any official or Judge of an Association championship who learns of improper or irregular conduct or proposals concerning Judges or judging of an event must immediately report the details to the Referee of that event and to the President of the Association.

224.4 The Council may exclude from participation in medal tests, New Zealand National Championships, International Competitions and exhibitions for a definite period or forever, any person (whether skater, official or other member of an Association or Club affiliated to the Association) who can be proved to have acted against the Regulations, or otherwise improperly. Before exclusion the person concerned must be informed about the nature of the alleged offence, all facts related to the case, and all evidence available, in order to enable them to defend themselves. If the person concerned does not avail themselves of this opportunity within two months, their right to do so is forfeited. The relevant information must be forwarded to the member Association or Club to which the person belongs.

225 CONDUCT OF OFFICIALS

225.1 Officials acting on behalf of the Association at championships and medal tests shall conduct themselves in a dignified manner at all times.

225.2 Officials shall not criticise the result of a competition whilst in the hearing of the general public or the competitors.

225.3 No official of a championship shall disclose any decision or marks before these are made public.

**226 REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES TO SKATERS AND OFFICIALS – Deleted in 2008
- Refer to Travel and Reimbursement Policy**

**227 ELIGIBILITY FOR NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL, SUB ASSOCIATION AND CLUB
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

For all disciplines at Sub Association and Club (referred to below as “local”) championships, open events or additional grades below Juvenile may be added at the discretion of the Sub Association or Club.

227.1 SINGLES

- a) **JUVENILE U12** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking;
 - ii. not reached the age of twelve years before the 1st July immediately preceding the championship;
- b) **JUVENILE O12** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking;
 - ii. have reached the age of twelve but not reached the age of eighteen years before the 1st July immediately preceding the championship;
- c) **PRE-PRIMARY** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking;
- d) **PRIMARY** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Stroking;
 - ii. not reached the age of fourteen years before the 1st July immediately preceding the championship;
- e) **INTERMEDIATE** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Stroking;
- f) **NOVICE** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Stroking.
- g) **JUNIOR** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Stroking;
- h) **SENIOR** Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:
 - i. have passed a minimum of Test 6 (Inter Gold) Freeskating and a minimum of Test 6 (Inter Gold) Stroking.

NOTE:For all New Zealand National and Sub-Association championships, skaters must not have competed in a higher grade, either locally, nationally or internationally. The exception to this is the Junior grade if the skater is eligible under Rule 228.1.

227.2 ADULT SKATING SINGLES

NOTE: The entry into Adult Bronze, Silver, Gold and Elite levels is self-selecting with no minimum test requirements. However, as a guideline, Bronze division is for skaters who started skating later and/or hold up to Bronze level tests for that discipline. Elite division is for skaters who competed internationally during their skating career. Entry into Silver and Gold is dependent on the level of elements a skater is able and/or wants to include.

- a) **BRONZE I** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years but not reached the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- b) **BRONZE II** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- c) **SILVER I** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years but not reached the age of 35 years before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- d) **SILVER II** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championships.
- e) **GOLD I** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years but not reached the age of 35 years before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- f) **GOLD II** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- g) **ELITE I** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years but not reached the age of 35 years before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- h) **ELITE II** Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- i) **BRONZE/SILVER INTERPRETIVE** Championship is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- j) **GOLD/ELITE INTERPRETIVE** Championship is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

NOTE: Men and Ladies will be judged separately.

227.3 **PAIR SKATING**

- a) **JUVENILE** Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who have passed a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Pair Skating Test and Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking Test.
- b) **PRE PRIMARY** Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who have passed a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Pair Skating Test and Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking Test.
- c) **PRIMARY** Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Pair Skating Test and Test 3 (Bronze) Stroking Test.
- d) **NOVICE** Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who have passed a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Pair Skating Test and Test 4 (Inter Silver) Stroking Test.
- e) **JUNIOR** Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who have passed a minimum of the Test 5 (Silver) Pair Skating Test and Test 5 (Silver) Stroking Test. There are no age restrictions.
- f) **SENIOR** Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who have passed a minimum of the Test 6 (Inter Gold) Pair Skating Test and at least the Test 5 (Silver) Stroking Test. There are no age restrictions.
- g) For all New Zealand National and Sub Association championships, only one partner may have competed in a grade higher than the one being entered. The exception to this is the Junior grade if the couple is eligible under Rule 228.1.

NOTE: There are no age restrictions on the above pair skating grades.

227.4 **ADULT PAIR SKATING**

NOTE: The entry into Adult Bronze, Silver, Gold and Elite levels is self-selecting with no minimum test requirements. However, as a guideline, Bronze division is for skaters who started skating later and/or hold up to Bronze level tests for that discipline. Elite division is for skaters who competed internationally during their skating career. Entry into Silver and Gold is dependent on the level of elements a skaters is able and/or wants to include.

- a) **BRONZE I** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- b) **BRONZE II** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- c) **SILVER I** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- d) **SILVER II** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- e) **GOLD I** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- f) **GOLD II** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- g) **ELITE I** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- h) **ELITE II** Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

227.5 ICE DANCE

- a) **JUVENILE** Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Dance and may hold higher.
- b) **PRE PRIMARY** Championship for Ice Dance – Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 2 Inter Bronze Compulsory Dance medal and may hold higher.
- c) **PRIMARY** Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Dance and may hold higher.
- d) **NOVICE** Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Dance with at least one skater holding a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Dance or equivalent. Both skaters may hold higher tests. NOTE: The Novice Competitive Dance Test is equivalent to Test 4 (Inter Silver) Compulsory Dance test.
- e) **JUNIOR** Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Dance with at least one skater holding a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Compulsory Dance or equivalent. Both skaters may hold higher tests. NOTE: The Junior Competitive Dance test is equivalent to Test 5 (Silver) Compulsory Dance test.
- f) **SENIOR** Championship for Ice Dance – Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Dance with at least one skater holding a minimum of Test 6 (Inter Gold) Dance or equivalent. Both skaters may hold higher tests. NOTE: The Senior Competitive Dance test is equivalent to Test 6 (Inter Gold) Compulsory Dance test.
- g) For all New Zealand National and Sub Association championships, the partnership must not have competed in a grade higher than the one being entered. The exception to this is the Junior grade if the couple is eligible under Rule 228.1.
- h) The Norman Wright Waltzing Trophy is open to all grades, but couples must be husband and wife, father and daughter, mother and son or brother and sister.
- i) The New Zealand Waltzing Trophy is open to all grades.

NOTE: There are no age restrictions on the above ice dance grades.

227.6 ADULT ICE DANCE

NOTE: The entry into Adult Bronze, Silver, Gold and Elite levels is self-selecting with no minimum test requirements. However, as a guideline, Bronze division is for skaters who started skating later and/or hold up to Bronze level tests for that discipline. Elite division is for skaters who competed internationally during their skating career. Entry into Silver and Gold is dependent on the level of elements a skaters is able and/or wants to include.

- a) **BRONZE I** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.
- b) **BRONZE II** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

- c) **SILVER I** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- d) **SILVER II** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- e) **GOLD I** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- f) **GOLD II** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- g) **ELITE I** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 18 years but not the age of 35 years before the 1st July preceding the championship.
- h) **ELITE II** Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have both reached the age of 35 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

227.7 SOLO DANCE

- a) JUVENILE Championship for Solo Dance is open to those who, at the closing of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Compulsory Dance and may hold higher;
- b) PRE PRIMARY Championship for Solo Dance is open to those who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Compulsory Dance and may hold higher;
- c) PRIMARY Championship for Solo Dance is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Compulsory Dance and may hold higher;
- d) OPEN Championship for Solo Dance is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Compulsory Dance and may hold higher.

NOTE: For all New Zealand National and Sub-Association Championships, skaters must not have competed in a higher grade, either locally, nationally or internationally.

Exception: For the 2010 season only

- Skaters who competed in the Pre Primary Solo Dance grade in 2008 and/or 2009, now renamed Juvenile, are permitted to skate in either the Juvenile grade or in the Pre Primary grade (subject to passing a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Compulsory Dance test), or any higher grades subject to passing the minimum required test.
- Skaters who competed in the Primary or Open grades in 2008 and/or 2009 may not skate in a lower grade, as the level of the Primary and Open grades are unaffected by the additional lower grade, but are exempt in 2010 from holding the stated minimum test requirements

From 2011, skaters must hold the required minimum test requirements for all Solo Dance grades.

227.8 SYNCHRONISED SKATING

- a) **JUVENILE** - A team of 9 to 16 skaters. At least 75% of the skaters must be aged 12 or under before the 1st of July immediately preceding the date of any competitions they enter. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 0 (Elementary) Stroking or Test 0 (Elementary) Ice Dance.
- b) **OPEN** - A team of 9 to 16 skaters. There are no age limits. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 0 (Elementary) Stroking or Test 0 (Elementary) Ice Dance.
- c) **NOVICE** – A team of 12 to 16 skaters. At least 75% of the skaters must be aged 15 or under before the 1st of July immediately preceding the date of any competitions they enter. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking or Test 1 (Preliminary) Dance.
- d) **JUNIOR** - A team of 12 to 16 skaters. At least 75% of the skaters must have reached the age of 12 but not have reached the age of 19 before the 1st of July immediately preceding the date of any competitions they enter. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking or Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Ice Dance.

- e) **SENIOR** - A team of 12 to 16 skaters. At least 75% of the skaters must have reached the age of 14 before the 1st of July immediately preceding the date of any competitions they enter. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking or Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Ice Dance.
- f) **ADULT** - A team of 9 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be 25 years of age or older before the 1st of July immediately preceding the date of any competitions they enter. 25% of the skaters may be less than 25 years but must be 18 years of age or older before the 1st of July immediately preceding the date of any competitions they enter. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 0 (Elementary) Stroking or Test 0 (Elementary) Ice Dance.
- g) Each team may have a maximum of four (4) alternates on the team roster and they must be listed as such.

228 MULTIPLE ENTRIES/STANDARDS

- 228.1 A skater may compete in only one grade in Singles, Pairs or Ice Dance per championship, except in the case of a skater/couple who qualifies for entry to Junior grade in International Competitions who may wish to skate Junior and Senior. In Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance, a skater may compete in either a mainstream grade or an Adult Skating grade, but not both, at any one competition. Please see Rule 603.3 for teams competing in Synchronized Skating.
- 228.2 An Adult skater can only enter in one level of Adult Free Skate but may also enter in the Adult Interpretive event.
- 228.3 The New Zealand Waltzing Trophy and the Norman Wright Waltzing Trophy are open events. Entry into these events does not affect entry to other grades.

229 SINGLES SHORT AND FREE SKATE PROGRAMMES

The ISU Regulations and current Communications shall apply to all grades with the guidelines for Novice and Pre Novice (Primary) applying for those grades and below, except where these rules differ or specify otherwise.

229.1 SHORT PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

SENIOR, JUNIOR, NOVICE, INTERMEDIATE, PRIMARY and PRE PRIMARY Short Programmes must not exceed two minutes 50 seconds but may be less provided that all the elements have been included, the time to be taken from the moment the competitor begins to move or skate. Deductions as per ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1)ii will apply.

- The jumps in the jump combination must be different from the solo jumps for **Primary to Senior** grades. For **Pre Primary** grades, the jumps in the jump combination need **not** be different from the solo jumps.
- For the spiral sequence in all grades, there must be at least three spiral positions with at least one change of foot. Each spiral position must be held for at least three seconds to count as a position.

NOTE: In order to encourage skaters to include the more difficult jumps in their short programmes, skaters in the following grades who attempt these jumps and fall on the landing, will not be penalised by the Technical Panel for the fall (i.e. will not receive a 1.00 deduction from total segment score) but will still have the jump downgraded if more than 1/4 turn under-rotated.

- **Novice and Junior** skaters to include the double axel and triple jumps (including triple Axel for Junior Men)
- **Senior** skaters to include triple jumps (including triple Axel for Senior Men) in their Short Programme; and,
- **Pre Primary** skaters to include double jumps in their Short Programmes.

Application of Grades of Execution (GOEs) will remain as per ISU guidelines.

JUVENILE Short Programmes must not exceed two minutes 15 seconds but may be less provided all the elements have been included; the time to be taken from the moment the

competitor begins to move or skate. Deductions as per ISU Rule 353, paragraph 1)ii will apply.

- For Juvenile grade, the jumps in the jump combination need **not** be different from the solo jumps.
- For the spiral sequence, there must be at least three spiral positions with at least one change of foot. Each spiral position must be held for at least three seconds to count as a position.

NOTE: Application of Grades of Execution (GOEs) will be as per ISU guidelines.

NOTE: In order to encourage Juvenile skaters to include double jumps in their Short Programmes, skaters who attempt these jumps and fall on the landing, will not be penalised by the Technical Panel for the fall (i.e. will not receive a 0.50 deduction from total segment score) but will still have the jump downgraded if more than 1/4 turn under-rotated. Application of Grades of Execution (GOEs) will remain as per ISU guidelines.

The Short Programme shall consist of only the following elements:

SENIOR LADIES AND MEN As per current ISU Regulations

JUNIOR LADIES AND MEN As per current ISU Regulations

NOTE: ISU Communications that outline new or amended regulations for Junior and Senior will be effective immediately from the date issued by ISU.

NOVICE Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds

- Double Axel Paulsen
- One double jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
- One jump combination consisting of two double jumps or one double and one triple jump. Jumps must be different from b).
- Flying camel or sit spin (minimum eight revolutions)
- LADIES Layback or sideways leaning spin (minimum eight revolutions)
MEN Sit spin or camel spin (Free choice) (minimum eight revolutions)
- Spin combination with one change of foot and at least two changes of position (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum six revolutions on each foot)
- LADIES Spiral sequence consisting of three spiral positions
MEN One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)
- LADIES One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)
MEN One step sequence of a different nature from g)

NOTE: Please note that the programme length for Novice at international competitions is 2 minutes 30 seconds. If skating in Novice internationally, please consult the latest ISU Communication on Guidelines for Novice Competitions and the Competition announcement for required elements.

INTERMEDIATE Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds

- Axel Paulsen or Double Axel Paulsen (optional)
- One double jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
- One jump combination consisting of a single followed by a double jump or two double jumps. Jumps must be different from jump in b).
- Flying sit or camel spin (minimum eight revolutions)
- Layback, sideways leaning, sit or camel spin (Free choice) (minimum eight revolutions)
- Spin combination with one change of foot and at least two changes of position (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum six revolutions on each foot)
- LADIES Spiral sequence consisting of three spiral positions
MEN One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)
- LADIES One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)
MEN One step sequence of a different nature from g)

- PRIMARY** Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds
- a) Axel Paulsen or Double Axel (optional)
 - b) One double jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
 - c) One jump combination consisting of two double jumps or one single jump followed by one double jump (order specified). Jumps must be different from jump in b).
 - d) Flying camel spin (minimum eight revolutions)
 - e) Sit spin or camel spin on alternate years (Sit spin in odd years and camel spin in even years) (Minimum eight revolutions)
 - f) Spin with minimum of one change of position (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof), and a compulsory change of foot (minimum six revolutions on each foot)
 - g) LADIES Spiral sequence consisting of three spiral positions
MEN One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)
 - h) LADIES One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)
MEN One step sequence of a different nature from g)

- PRE-PRIMARY** Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds
- a) Axel Paulsen
 - b) Single Flip or single Lutz or double jump (free choice) immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
 - c) One jump combination consisting of any single jump followed by any single or double jump.
 - d) Flying spin - choice of upright, sit or camel (minimum six revolutions).
 - e) Sit spin or camel spin – free choice (minimum six revolutions)
 - f) Spin with minimum of one change of position, and an optional change of foot (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum six revolutions or five revolutions on each foot if a change of foot is executed)
 - g) LADIES Spiral sequence consisting of three spiral positions
MEN Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)

- JUVENILE** Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 15 seconds
- a) Single Loop jump
 - b) Single Flip or single Lutz (free choice) immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
 - c) One jump combination consisting of two single jumps or one double and one single jump (choice of order)
 - d) Upright spin (minimum six revolutions)
 - e) Sit spin or camel spin (minimum six revolutions)
 - f) Spin with minimum of one change of position, and an optional change of foot (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum six revolutions or five revolutions on each foot if a change of foot is executed)
 - g) LADIES Spiral sequence consisting of three spirals
MEN Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)

NOTE: Elements not performed as prescribed will be judged in accordance with the ISU Guidelines for Judges in establishing Grades of Execution (GOEs).

229.2 FREE SKATE PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

SENIOR	LADIES	4 minutes
	MEN	4 minutes 30 seconds
JUNIOR	LADIES	3 minutes 30 seconds
	MEN	4 minutes

(refer current ISU Rules for a well-balanced Junior or Senior program)

NOVICE

Duration: Ladies – 3 minutes +/- 10 seconds;

Men – 3 minutes 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds

A well-balanced Novice programme must contain a **maximum of 11 elements**:

- A **maximum of 7 jump elements** (one of which must be an axel type jump) and include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to 3 jumps, the other two combinations must only consist of 2 jumps each.
- A **maximum of three different spins**, including one combination spin and one flying spin. In the combination a change of foot is compulsory and the number of different positions is free. Spin combination – at least 10 revolutions in total. All other spins at least six revolutions in total including changes of foot. Revolutions are counted from the entry to the exit of the spin and no particular positions are stipulated.
- Ladies: **One step sequence** (straight line, serpentine, circular).
- Men: **One step sequence** (straight line, serpentine, circular) fully utilising the ice surface.

INTERMEDIATE

Duration: 3 minutes +/- 10 seconds

A well-balanced Intermediate programme must contain a **maximum of 11 elements**:

- A **maximum of 7 jump elements** (one of which must be an axel type jump) and include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to 3 jumps, the other two combinations must only consist of 2 jumps each.
- A **maximum of three different spins**, including one combination spin and one flying spin. In the combination a change of foot is compulsory and the number of different positions is free. Spin combination – at least 10 revolutions in total. All other spins at least six revolutions in total including changes of foot. Revolutions are counted from the entry to the exit of the spin and no particular positions are stipulated.
- Ladies: **One sequence of spirals** (two or more) and/or free skating movements such as turns, arabesques and spread eagles, fully utilising the ice surface.
- Men: **One straight line, serpentine or circular step sequence** fully utilising the ice surface.

PRIMARY

Duration: 2 minutes 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds

A well-balanced Primary programme must contain a **maximum of 10 elements**:

- A **maximum of 6 jump elements** (one of which must be an axel type jump) and include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to 3 jumps, the other two combinations must only consist of 2 jumps each.
- A **maximum of three different spins**, including one combination spin and one flying spin. In the combination a change of foot is compulsory and the number of different positions is free. Spin combination – at least 10 revolutions in total. All other spins at least six revolutions in total including changes of foot. Revolutions are counted from the entry to the exit of the spin and no particular positions are stipulated.
- Ladies: **One sequence of spirals** (two or more) and/or free skating movements such as turns, arabesques and spread eagles, fully utilising the ice surface.
- Men: **One straight line, serpentine or circular step sequence** fully utilising the ice surface.

PRE PRIMARY

Duration: 2 minutes 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds

A well-balanced Pre Primary programme must contain a **maximum of 10 elements**:

- A **maximum of 6 jump elements** (one of which must be an axel type jump) and include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to 3 jumps, the other two combinations must only consist of 2 jumps each.
- A **maximum of three different spins**, including one combination spin and one flying spin. In the combination a change of foot is compulsory and the number of different positions is free. Spin combination – at least 10 revolutions in total. All other spins at least six revolutions in total including changes of foot. Revolutions are counted from the entry to the exit of the spin and no particular positions are stipulated.
- Ladies: **One straight line, serpentine or circular step sequence** fully utilising the ice surface.
- Men: **One straight line, serpentine or circular step sequence** fully utilising the ice surface.

JUVENILE

Duration: 2 minutes 15 seconds +/- 10 seconds

A well-balanced Juvenile programme must contain a **maximum of 9 elements**:

- A **maximum of 5 jump elements** (one of which must be an axel type jump) and include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to 3 jumps, the other two combinations must only consist of 2 jumps each.
- A **maximum of three different spins**, chosen from the following options (a spin option cannot be repeated):
 1. Spins in one position without a change of foot (minimum six (6) revolutions*);
 2. Spins in one position with a change of foot (minimum ten (10) revolutions*);
 3. Combination spins without a change of foot (minimum six (6) revolutions*);
 4. Combination spin with a change of foot (minimum ten (10) revolutions*);
 5. A flying spin minimum of six (6) revolutions*.Revolutions are counted from the entry to the exit of the spin and no particular positions are stipulated.
- Ladies: **One straight line, serpentine or circular step sequence** fully utilising the ice surface.
- Men: **One straight line, serpentine or circular step sequence** fully utilising the ice surface.

*Those Juvenile skaters who wish to compete in Australian Inter-Club or State Championships need to check the competition announcement as the spin requirements may differ from the above.

NOTE: For those skaters who perform a waltz jump as their 'Axel-type jump', the jump will be called an Axel – no value. In order to encourage Juvenile skaters to include single Axels in their Free Skate program, skaters who attempt an Axel and fall on the landing will not be penalised by the Technical Panel for the fall (i.e. will not receive a 0.50 deduction from total segment score) but will still have the jump downgraded to Axel – no value if more than 1/4 turn under-rotated. Application of Grades of Execution (GOEs) will remain as per ISU guidelines.

NOTE: Falls in Juvenile grade to be deducted as a 0.50 deduction rather than a full 1.00 deduction.

Repetition of Jumps: This rule applies to grades from Pre-Elementary to Novice. For Junior and Senior see ISU Rule 520, part 2, Repetitions.

Of all the jumps only three (3) can be repeated and these repetitions must be in either a jump-combination or in a jump sequence (e.g. 1F and 1F + 1Lo). Jumps with a different number of rotations but with the same name will be considered as two different jumps. A repeated jump, not included into a jump combination or jump sequence, will be considered as a part of a not successfully executed jump sequence and counted as a jump sequence with only one jump executed (e.g. 2Lz + SEQ). If three (3) jump combinations or jump sequences (in total) have already been executed, the repeated solo jump will be treated as an additional element and therefore not considered (but this element will occupy a jump element box if there still is any left). No jump can be attempted more than twice. If a fourth repeated jump is executed in a combination or sequence, the entire combination or sequence will be treated as an additional element and therefore not considered (but this element will occupy a jump element box if there still is any left).

229.3 PRE-ELEMENTARY AND ELEMENTARY GRADES – GUIDELINES FOR CLUB AND SUB-ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS/COMPETITIONS

In the Pre Elementary and Elementary Section competitions for Singles each grade will skate a free skate programme only.

Eligibility for Pre Elementary Grade –skater may not hold any NZISA Free Skating medals and may hold Elementary but no higher Stroking test.

Requirements for Pre Elementary Grade (Programme length – up to 2 minutes 15 seconds)

- a) Optional jump (selected from loop, flip or lutz)
- b) Salchow
- c) Toe loop
- d) One foot spin (min 3 revs)
- e) A Spiral Sequence consisting of least one (1) Spiral on a bold curve
- f) Simple Step Sequence (at least one half the length of the rink)

Eligibility for Elementary Grade - skater must hold a minimum of Elementary Free Skating and Elementary Stroking.

Requirements for Elementary Grade (Programme length – up to 2 minutes 15 seconds)

- a) Salchow
- b) Toe loop
- c) One foot spin with no change of position – choice of Upright/sit/camel (min 4 revs)
- d) Spiral sequence (consisting of two or more spirals) or step sequence (must utilise the full ice surface)
- e) Optional element 1, jump different from those above
- f) Optional element 2, jump different from those above
- g) Optional element 3, spin different from those above (can be a combination spin with no change of foot (min 4 revs))

NOTE: One of the optional jump elements can be a jump combination.

NOTE: A Waltz jump is a non-classified jump (less than one revolution) and therefore does not have a scale of value.

NOTE: Falls in Pre Elementary and Elementary grades to be deducted as a 0.50 deduction rather than a full 1.00 deduction.

229.4 ADULT SINGLES FREE SKATING

In the Adult Section competitions for Singles each grade will skate a free skate programme only.

Requirements for Adult Singles Free Skating:

BRONZE Duration: must not exceed 1 minute 40 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **BRONZE** programme must contain a **maximum of 7 elements:**

- **A maximum of four (4) jump elements.** Only single jumps are permitted, no axel type jump, no double or triples jumps can be included. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- **A maximum of two (2) spins of a different abbreviation.** The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: three (3) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot; four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot. **Flying spins are not permitted.**
- **A maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering ½ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

SILVER

Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 10 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **SILVER** programme must contain a **maximum of 9 elements**:

- A **maximum of five (5) jump elements**. The single Axel or any other single Axel type jump and all other single jumps are permitted. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- A **maximum of three (3) spins of different abbreviations**, one of which must be a spin combination with an optional change of foot. The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: three (3) for a flying spin with no change of foot after landing, three (3) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot, four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot.
- A **maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering ½ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

GOLD

Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 40 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **GOLD** programme must contain a **maximum of 10 elements**:

- A **maximum of 6 jump elements**, can include a single Axel and double jumps, excluding double flip, double Lutz and double Axel. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- A **maximum of three (3) spins of different abbreviations**, one of which must be a spin combination with a change of foot and one must be a flying spin. The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: four (4) for a flying spin with no change of foot after landing; four (4) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot; four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot.
- A **maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** fully utilising the ice surface (may include spirals, free skate movements, steps and turns).

ELITE

Duration: must not exceed 3 minutes 10 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **ELITE** programme must contain a **maximum of 11 elements**:

- A **maximum of seven (7) jump elements**, one of which must be an Axel type jump. Single, double or triple jumps are permitted. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- A **maximum of three (3) spins of different abbreviations**, one of which must be a spin combination with a change of foot and one must be a flying spin. The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: five (5) for a flying spin with no change of foot after landing, five (5) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot; five (5) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot.
- A **maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** fully utilising the ice surface (may include spirals, free skate movements, steps and turns).

229.5 BRONZE/SILVER and GOLD/ELITE INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMMES

Duration: must not exceed 1 minute and 40 seconds.

The Interpretive programme will be judged only on the basis of the five Component Marks. The programme should consist of a variety of skating moves selected for their value to enhance the skater's interpretation of the music rather than for their technical difficulty. Skaters will be judged on their ability to interpret the music and develop a theme by using their skating skills.

The Interpretive programme must include:

- a) A maximum of two single jumps
- b) A maximum of two spins

No axel type jump or double jumps or combination jumps are permitted. Credit for jumps and spins is based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music. No credit will be given for their technical difficulty.

Elements exceeding the maximum number will be judged as an illegal element and receive a 2.0 deduction. Elements lacking in number will receive a 2.0 deduction.

Costumes should be simple, tasteful and selected to enhance the performance by appropriately reflecting the character of the music and theme.

- Props may not be used in any part of the programme. Any item that is held in the hand or removed during the performance is considered a prop. A hat worn throughout the programme is not considered a prop unless intentionally removed.
- Objects on the ice, thrown to the audience, placed on the boards or on the Judges' tables are not permitted.
- Objects left on the ice surface are not permitted.

Illegal elements:

- Somersault type jumps
- Lying on the ice and prolonged and/or stationary kneeling on both knees on the ice.

230 PAIR SKATING PROGRAMMES

The ISU Regulations and current Communications shall apply to all grades with the guidelines for Novice and Pre Novice (Primary) applying for those grades and below, except where these rules differ or specify otherwise.

230.1 PAIRS SHORT PROGRAMME

SENIOR, JUNIOR, NOVICE AND PRIMARY Short Programmes must not exceed two minutes 50 seconds but may be less provided that all the required elements have been included; the time to be taken from the moment the competitors begin to move or skate. Any element completed after the time allowed will be considered as omitted.

SENIOR As per current ISU Rules

JUNIOR As per current ISU Rules

NOTE: ISU Communications that outline new or amended regulations for Junior and Senior will be effective immediately from the date issued by ISU.

The Short Programme shall consist of only the following elements:

NOVICE Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds

- a) One solo Axel Paulsen jump
- b) One solo double jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
- c) One lift selected from Group 3 or 4

- d) One solo Flying spin (minimum 8 revolutions)
- e) Pair combination spin with one change of foot and at least two changes of position (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum of 6 revolutions)
- f) One Backward Death Spiral
- g) One Spiral Sequence
- h) One Step Sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)

PRIMARY Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds

- a) One solo Axel Paulsen jump
- b) One solo double jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable free skating movements
- c) One lift selected from Group 2
- d) One solo Combination spin with one change of foot and at least one change of position (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum of 6 revolutions on each foot)
- e) One Pair combination spin with one change of foot and at least one changes of position (sit, camel, upright or any variation thereof) (minimum of 6 revolutions)
- f) One Death Spiral
- g) One Spiral Sequence
- h) One Step Sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)

PRE PRIMARY Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds

- a) One solo Flip or Lutz jump
- b) One solo combination jump
- c) One lift selected from Group 2
- d) One Pair camel spin (minimum of 4 revolutions)
- e) One solo combination spin with one change position (sit, camel, upright or any variation) (minimum of 6 revolutions)
- f) One Single Throw jump
- g) One Step Sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)

JUVENILE Short Programme must not exceed two minutes 15 seconds but may be less provided that all the required elements have been included; the time to be taken from the moment the competitors begin to move or skate.

JUVENILE Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 15 seconds

- a) One solo Flip or Loop jump
- b) One solo combination jump
- c) One lift selected from Group 1
- d) One solo spin with no change of foot but may have one or more changes of position (minimum of 4 revolutions)
- e) One Pair Spin (minimum of 3 revolutions)
- f) One Spiral Sequence or Step Sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine)

230.2 PAIR SKATING FREE PROGRAMME LENGTHS FOR NZISA CHAMPIONSHIPS

SENIOR 4 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)

JUNIOR 4 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)

(refer current ISU Rules for a well-balanced Junior or Senior program)

NOVICE Duration: 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)

A well-balanced Novice programme must contain a maximum of 9 elements:

- **one (1) lift** which can be chosen from Group 2, 3 or 4
- **one (1) throw jump**
- **one (1) solo jump**
- **one (1) jump combination or sequence**
- **one (1) flying spin** (minimum of 6 revolutions);

- **one (1) pair spin or pair spin combination** (minimum of 6 revolutions);
- **one (1) death spiral or pivot spiral**
- **one (1) step sequence**
- **one (1) sequence of spirals**

PRIMARY Duration: 2 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)

A well-balanced Primary programme must contain a maximum of 8 elements:

- **one (1) lift**, which can be chosen from Group 1, or 2 (Lifts are not essential and, if included, must be performed with full extension of the lifting arm).
- **two (2) solo jumps**
- **one (1) jump combination or sequence**
- **one (1) solo spin or solo spin combination** with change of foot (minimum of 6 revolutions);
- **one (1) pair spin or pair spin combination** (minimum of 4 revolutions);
- **one (1) Death Spiral**
- **one (1) step sequence**
- **one (1) sequence of spirals**

PRE PRIMARY Duration: 2 minutes 15 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)

JUVENILE Duration: 2 minutes 15 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)

A well-balanced **Pre Primary or Juvenile** programme must contain a maximum of 6 elements:

- **one (1) solo jump**
- **one (1) jump combination or sequence**
- **one (1) solo spin or solo spin combination** (minimum of 4 revolutions);
- **one (1) pair spin or pair spin combination** (minimum of 3 revolutions);
- **one (1) pivot spiral**
- **one (1) step sequence or sequence of spirals**

230.3 ADULT PAIR SKATING

In the Adult competitions for Pair Skating each grade will skate a free skate programme only. The emphasis of the programme is to be on Presentation rather than Technical Merit, although this will be taken into consideration. Vocal music is permitted. No props are permitted.

BRONZE Duration: maximum of 2 minutes 10 seconds) but may be less.

A well-balanced Bronze programme must contain a maximum of 6 elements:

- **one (1) solo jump.** Only single jumps are permitted.
- **one (1) jump combination** with a maximum of three jumps included **or one (1) jump sequence** (the two jumps with the highest value will count for points)
- **one (1) pair spin** (minimum of three revolutions) **or pair combination spin** (minimum of 4 revolutions);
- **one (1) solo spin** (minimum of three revolutions for one position or flying spin **or solo combination spin** with or without a change of foot (minimum of 4 revolutions);
- **one (1) pivot spiral** (at least $\frac{3}{4}$ revolution in pivot position by the man is required)
- **one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering $\frac{1}{2}$ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

SILVER Duration: maximum of 2 minutes 40 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced Silver programme must contain a maximum of 7 elements:

- **one (1) lift**, which can be chosen from Group 1, or 2 (Lifts are not essential and, if included, must be performed with full extension of the lifting arm).

- **two (2) solo jumps.** Only single jumps are permitted.
- **one (1) jump combination** with a maximum of three jumps included or **one (1) jump sequence** (the two jumps with the highest value will count for points)
- **one (1) pair spin** (minimum of three revolutions) or **pair combination spin** (minimum of 4 revolutions);
- **one (1) solo spin** (minimum of three revolutions for one position or flying spin or **solo combination spin** with or without a change of foot (minimum of 4 revolutions);
- **one (1) pivot spiral** (at least $\frac{3}{4}$ revolution in pivot position by the man is required)
- **one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering $\frac{1}{2}$ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

GOLD Duration: maximum of 3 minutes 10 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced Gold programme must contain a maximum of 8 elements:

- **one (1) lift** which can be chosen from Group 1 or 2
- **one (1) throw jump** (single only)
- **one (1) solo jump.** Only single jumps are permitted.
- **one (1) jump combination** with a maximum of three jumps included or **one (1) jump sequence** (the two jumps with the highest value will count for points)
- **one (1) pair spin** (minimum of three revolutions) or **pair combination spin** (minimum of 6 revolutions);
- **one (1) solo spin** (minimum of three revolutions for one position or flying spin or **solo combination spin** with or without a change of foot (minimum of 6 revolutions);
- **one (1) death spiral or pivot spiral** (at least $\frac{3}{4}$ revolution in pivot position by the man is required)
- **one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering $\frac{1}{2}$ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

ELITE Duration: maximum of 3 minutes 10 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced Elite programme must contain a maximum of 8 elements:

- **three (3) lifts**, one of which may be a twist lift. Variations of the lady's position, no-handed and one-handed lifts, combination lifts or overhead lifts are not permitted.
- **one (1) throw jump** (single only)
- **one (1) solo jump.** Only single jumps are permitted.
- **one (1) jump combination** with a maximum of three jumps included or **one (1) jump sequence** (the two jumps with the highest value will count for points)
- **one (1) pair spin** (minimum of three revolutions) or **pair combination spin** (minimum of 6 revolutions);
- **one (1) solo spin** (minimum of three revolutions for one position or flying spin or **solo combination spin** with or without a change of foot (minimum of 6 revolutions);
- **one (1) death spiral or pivot spiral** (at least $\frac{3}{4}$ revolution in pivot position by the man is required)
- **one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering $\frac{1}{2}$ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

231 ICE DANCE PROGRAMMES

The ISU Regulations and current Communications shall apply to all grades with the guidelines for Novice and Pre Novice (Primary) applying for those grades and below, except where these rules differ or specify otherwise.

NOTE: ISU Communications that outline new or amended regulations for Junior and Senior will be effective immediately from the date issued by ISU. This is for all competitions in New Zealand that use ISU Regulations for Junior and Senior events. All other events will use the rules as per NZISA Rules and Regulations current for that year and as per the Nationals announcement.

NOTE: Deductions for Compulsory Dances, Original Dance and Free Dance will be in accordance with current ISU Rules.

231.1 Dance groupings and Compulsory Dances for NZISA Championships:

SENIOR As per ISU Draw for Senior Ice Dance

JUNIOR As per ISU Draw for Junior Ice Dance

NOTE: For Novice and below, should all of the couples competing in a grade agree, and at least one couple is intending to compete overseas, then all couples may choose to perform the dances required for the overseas competition, if these differ from those below. The Organising Committee secretary or Technical Committee Secretary should be informed in writing of such a decision by all couples involved.

NOVICE Group 1: Rocker Foxtrot, Starlight Waltz
Group 2: Tango, Paso Doble
Group 3: American Waltz, Kilian

PRIMARY Group 1: Fourteenstep, American Waltz
Group 2: European Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot
Group 3: Foxtrot, Tango

PRE PRIMARY Group 1: Willow Waltz, Foxtrot
Group 2: Ten Fox, European Waltz
Group 3: Riverside Rhumba, Fourteenstep

JUVENILE Group 1: Riverside Rhumba, Swing Dance
Group 2: Fiesta Tango, Willow Waltz
Group 3: Golden Skaters Waltz, Ten Fox

Compulsory dances:

Group 1: 2012, 2015, 2018
Group 2: 2010, 2013, 2016
Group 3: 2011, 2014, 2017

231.2 Original Dance and Free Dance Requirements for NZISA Championships

ORIGINAL DANCE

Senior & Junior as per current ISU Rules
Tempo - as per ISU requirements

JUVENILE, PRE PRIMARY, PRIMARY and NOVICE: Not required

FREE DANCE

Senior & Junior	as per <u>current ISU Rules</u>
Novice	3 minutes <u>(or as per current ISU Rules)</u>
Primary	2 minutes <u>30 seconds (or as per current ISU Rules)</u>
<u>Pre Primary</u>	<u>2 minutes</u>
<u>Juvenile</u>	<u>1 minute 30 seconds</u>

All programme lengths are +/- 10 seconds

Requirements

NOVICE:

As per current ISU Rules for Novice, or otherwise a maximum of **five required elements**:

- **two (2) different types of lifts** – maximum duration 6 seconds each;
- **one (1) dance spin** chosen from spin or combination spin – minimum of three revolutions on one foot for each partner;
- **one (1) Diagonal, Midline, Circular or Serpentine Step Sequence**
- **one (1) set of Synchronized Twizzles** – one set comprising of two twizzles on one foot for both partners with up to 3 steps between. Each twizzle shall be at least one rotation on one foot performed simultaneously.

PRIMARY:

As per current ISU Rules for Pre-Novice, or otherwise a maximum of **four required elements**:

- **one (1) lift** – maximum duration 6 seconds;
- **one (1) dance spin** (a combination spin is not permitted) minimum of two revolutions on one foot for each partner;
- **one (1) Diagonal, Midline, Circular or Serpentine Step Sequence**
- **one (1) set of Synchronized Twizzles** – one set comprising of one twizzle on one foot for both partners. The twizzle shall be at least one rotation on one foot performed simultaneously.

PRE PRIMARY:

A maximum of **three required elements**:

- **one (1) dance spin** (a combination spin is not permitted) minimum of two revolutions on one foot for each partner;
- **two (2) different Step Sequences**
 - One from Group 1 – Midline or Diagonal
 - One from Group 2 – Circular or Serpentine

JUVENILE:

A maximum of **two required elements**:

- **one (1) dance spin** (a combination spin is not permitted) - minimum of two revolutions on one foot for each partner;
- **one (1) Diagonal, Midline, Circular or Serpentine Step Sequence**

NOTES: refer to the latest ISU Communications for explanation of elements, otherwise:

LIFTS:

For Novice, two different lifts may be selected from curve, rotational, straight line or stationary only.

For Primary, one lift may be selected from curve, rotational or straight line only.

Lifts are not permitted in Pre Primary or Juvenile.

Diagonal, Midline, Circular or Serpentine Step Sequence extending from barrier to barrier as far as practicable. Step sequence must be skated in dance holds or

variations thereof except Hand-in-Hand hold in the sustained position with fully extended arms. Any separation to change a hold must not exceed one measure of music. Lifts, jumps of more than ½ rotation, dance spins, pirouettes, pattern retrogressions, loops must not be included in a step sequence.

Dance Spins: the position(s) are optional.

Synchronized Twizzles: The 4 entry edges (Forward Outside, Forward Inside, Backward Outside, Backward Inside) and direction of rotation will be considered in assigning a level.

All Scale of Values, Levels of Difficulty and Calling Specifications are the same as for Junior and Senior events with the exception of Primary Synchronized Twizzles, as described in ISU Communication 1331, or any subsequent update.

General requirements and restrictions regarding music, steps, holds, illegal movements, etc: current ISU Rules apply.

231.3 ADULT ICE DANCE

Adult Ice Dance consists of the following separate events:

- Compulsory Dance event (all grade levels)
- Original Dance event (all grade levels)
- Free Dance event (Silver, Gold and Elite grade levels only)

i) COMPULSORY DANCE EVENT REQUIREMENTS

BRONZE **2009 – 2010 Season:** Fourteenstep, Foxtrot

SILVER **2009 – 2010 Season:** European Waltz, Tango

GOLD **2009 – 2010 Season:** Westminster Waltz, Paso Doble

ELITE **2009 – 2010 Season:** Westminster Waltz, Paso Doble

Requirements for the 2010 – 2011 Season as per announcement for the 2011 ISU Adult Skating Competition.

NOTE: Dances that can be utilised at Club and Sub-Association level can also include Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues, Hickory Hoedown, ChaCha, Riverside Rhumba, and Golden Skaters Waltz.

ii) ORIGINAL DANCE EVENT REQUIREMENTS (All Grades): maximum duration of 2 minutes 40 seconds

NOTE: The Original Dance rhythm for each grade is optional. Couples have free choice, including the option to align with the rhythm announced each year by the ISU in the announcement for the ISU Adult Skating Competition. The duration of the programme is a maximum of 2 minutes 40 seconds. Vocal music is permitted for the Original Dance.

ISU Rhythm:

2009 – 2010 Season: Folk/Country Dance

2010 – 2011 Season: as per announcement for 2011 ISU Adult Skating Competition

Required Elements:

- **two (2) different types of dance lifts** are allowed but not required, with a maximum duration of 6 seconds each;
- **one (1) Diagonal or Midline Step Sequence**, in varied hold;
- **one (1) dance spin**, with optional position, minimum of three revolutions on one foot for each partner. A combination spin is not permitted.

iii) **FREE DANCE EVENT REQUIREMENTS:**

BRONZE: maximum duration of 2 minutes and 10 seconds

Required Elements:

- **one (1) Step Sequence**, (Circular, Serpentine, Midline or Diagonal);
- **one (1) dance spin**, with optional position, consisting of at least two (2) revolutions on one foot for each partner. A simple spin with no change of foot, or a combination spin with change of foot are permitted.
- **one (1) dance lift is allowed but not required**, with a maximum duration of 6 seconds

SILVER: maximum duration of 2 minutes and 40 seconds

Required Elements:

- **one (1) dance lift**, with a maximum duration of 6 seconds
- **one (1) Circular Step Sequence**, clockwise or anti-clockwise;
- **one (1) set of Synchronized Twizzles**;
- **one (1) dance spin**, with optional position, consisting of at least three (3) revolutions on one foot for each partner. A simple spin with no change of foot, or a combination spin with change of foot are permitted.

GOLD: maximum duration of 3 minutes and 10 seconds

Required Elements:

- **two (2) dance lifts, 1 short lift** with a maximum duration of 6 seconds and **1 long lift** with a maximum duration of 12 seconds;
- **one (1) dance spin**, with optional position, consisting of at least three (3) revolutions on one foot for each partner. A simple spin with no change of foot, or a combination spin with change of foot are permitted;
- **one (1) Diagonal or Midline Step Sequence**, in varied hold;
- **one (1) set of Synchronized Twizzles** with up to three steps between.

ELITE: maximum duration of 3 minutes and 10 seconds

Required Elements:

- **two (2) dance lifts, 1 short lift** with a maximum duration of 6 seconds and **1 long lift** with a maximum duration of 12 seconds;
- **one (1) dance spin**, with optional position, consisting of at least three (3) revolutions on one foot for each partner. A simple spin with no change of foot, or a combination spin with change of foot are permitted;
- **one (1) Diagonal or Midline Step Sequence**, in varied hold;
- **one (1) set of Synchronized Twizzles** with up to three steps between.

231.4 PRE-ELEMENTARY AND ELEMENTARY GRADES – GUIDELINES FOR CLUB AND SUB-ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS/COMPETITIONS

Ice Dance

i) Pre Elementary Ice Dance Grade

Group 1: Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango

Group 2: Rhythm Blues, Dutch Waltz

Group 3: Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues

Eligibility - NZISA Ice Dance medals must not be held by either skater.

ii) Elementary Ice Dance Grade

Group 1: Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango

Group 2: Rhythm Blues, Dutch Waltz

Group 3: Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues

Eligibility – At least one skater must have passed Test 0 (Elementary) Compulsory Dance test at the closing of entries and either or both skaters may hold higher.

Solo Dance

i) Pre Elementary Solo Dance Grade

Group 1: Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango

Group 2: Rhythm Blues, Dutch Waltz

Group 3: Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues

Eligibility - NZISA Ice Dance medals must not be held.

ii) Elementary Solo Dance Grade

Group 1: Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango

Group 2: Rhythm Blues, Dutch Waltz

Group 3: Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues

Eligibility – Elementary Solo Dance is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries, have passed a minimum of Elementary Compulsory Dance and may hold higher.

Compulsory dance groups:

Group 1: 2012, 2015, 2018

Group 2: 2010, 2013, 2016

Group 3: 2011, 2014, 2017

231.5 SOLO DANCE EVENTS

Dances for NZISA Solo Dance Championships

a) Juvenile

Group 1: Riverside Rhumba, Swing Dance

Group 2: Fiesta Tango, Willow Waltz

Group 3: Golden Skaters Waltz, Ten Fox

b) Pre Primary

Group 1: Willow Waltz, Foxtrot

Group 2: Ten Fox, European Waltz

Group 3: Riverside Rhumba, Fourteenstep

c) Primary

Group 1: American Waltz, Fourteenstep (skated as a compulsory dance only)

Group 2: European Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot

Group 3: Foxtrot, Tango

Two dances are to be skated – one Compulsory Dance and one Variation Dance.

In February each year, one dance from each group will be announced as the Variation Dance for the season, along with an explanation of what constitutes a variation. The variation is to be repeated in each of the complete patterns of the dance.

d) Open

Group 1: Rocker Foxtrot, Starlight Waltz

Group 2: Tango, Paso Doble

Group 3: American Waltz, Kilian (skated as a compulsory dance only)

Two dances are to be skated – one Compulsory Dance and one Combination Dance.

In February each year, one dance from each group will be announced as the Combination Dance for the season, along with an explanation of the requirements for the Combination Dance.

Compulsory dance groups:

Group 1: 2012, 2015, 2018

Group 2: 2010, 2013, 2016

Group 3: 2011, 2014, 2017

231.6 ICE DANCE WARM-UP GUIDELINES

Elementary to Primary: 4 minute warm-up with rotation of up to three versions of each dance.

Novice, Junior and Senior: As per current ISU rules.

231.7 ICE DANCE MUSIC GUIDELINES

For compulsory dances (including Waltzing/Dancing Trophies where ISU dances are used), the official ISU Compulsory Dance music shall be used. For non-ISU dances, the compulsory dance music distributed to Clubs and Sub-Associations by the NZISA shall be used.

For Primary through Senior, the track of music for each couple/solo dancer shall be determined by a 'starting track' draw. The referee or an organising official shall draw a number from 1 to one less than the number of pieces of music. Tracks will be played in order starting with the drawn track, however the last track shall not be used. If the last track is reached, music will cycle back through starting with track 1. The last track will be played during warmup.

For grades Pre-Primary and below, and for Waltzing/Dancing Trophies, couples shall provide their own choice of track. If there are two or fewer couples, each of their tracks shall be played during warmup. If there are more than two couples, the tracks will be cycled starting with the first track.

During practices for Primary to Senior, all tracks shall be played in order (including the last track) and starting with the drawn track. During other practices, competitors' chosen tracks shall be played in the competitors' draw order (and repeated as time permits).

For Synchronized Skating Programmes, please refer to NZISA Rule 605.

232 SPECIAL SKATE (Formerly SPECIAL OLYMPICS) GRADES - GUIDELINES FOR CLUB AND SUB-ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS /COMPETITIONS

Level 1 to 3 (Equivalent to KiwiSkate Levels) Requirements

Level 1:

- Forward two-foot sculling (distance equivalent to twice the skater's height)
- Backward two-foot sculling (distance equivalent to twice the skater's height)
- One foot snowplow stop

Level 2:

- Across the width of the rink, forward stroking, two foot turn to backwards at the one-third mark, backward skating then two foot turn to forwards at the two-thirds mark, then forward stroking towards the long barrier, performing a stop at the boards.
- Forward crossovers around the hockey circles in a figure 8 pattern. One complete figure 8 pattern to be skated.

Level 3:

- Forward outside edges across the width of the rink
- Forward inside edges across the width of the rink
- Forward outside three turns (both directions)
- RFI – LBI Mohawk and LFI – RBI Mohawk turns

Requirements for Bronze to Gold Special Skate Singles grades

In the Special Skate Bronze to Gold grades, each grade will skate a free skate programme only and will be judged using the ISU Judging System.

BRONZE (former SO Level 4)

Duration: must not exceed 2 minute 15 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **BRONZE** programme must contain a **maximum of 7 elements**:

- A **maximum of four (4) jump elements**. Only single jumps are permitted, however, no axel type jump can be included. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- A **maximum of two (2) spins of a different abbreviation**. The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: three (3) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot; four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot. **Flying spins are not permitted.**
- A **maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering ½ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

SILVER (former SO Level 5)

Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 40 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **SILVER** programme must contain a **maximum of 9 elements**:

- A **maximum of five (5) jump elements**. The single Axel and all other single jumps are permitted. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- A **maximum of three (3) spins of different abbreviations**, one of which must be a spin combination with an optional change of foot. The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: three (3) for a flying spin with no change of foot after landing, three (3) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot, four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot.
- A **maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** covering at least 50% of the usual pattern. In case of a circular step sequence a full circle is required covering ½ the width of the ice surface. In order for the Technical Panel to award above Level 1 for step or spiral sequence, they must fully utilise the ice surface.

GOLD (former SO Level 6)

Duration: must not exceed 3 minutes 10 seconds but may be less.

A well-balanced **GOLD** programme must contain a **maximum of 10 elements**:

- A **maximum of 6 jump elements**, can include a single Axel and double jumps. Must include at least one jump combination or sequence of jumps, but not more than three in total. One jump combination could consist of up to three jumps; the other two combinations must only consist of two jumps each. Any solo jump can be repeated only once and this repetition must be done either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- A **maximum of three (3) spins of different abbreviations**, one of which must be a spin combination with a change of foot and one must be a flying spin. The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions: four (4) for a flying spin with no change of foot after landing; four (4) for a spin with only one position and no change of foot; four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and eight (4+4) for the spin combination with a change of foot.
- A **maximum of one (1) step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) or spiral sequence** fully utilising the ice surface (may include spirals, free skate movements, steps and turns).

Requirements for Bronze to Gold Special Skate Ice Dance grades

In the Special Skate Bronze to Gold grades, each grade will skate one Compulsory Dance only and will be judged using the ISU Judging System. For all Special Skate ice dance grades, skaters may skate the dances solo or as a couple consisting of two Special Skate athletes. Couples may consist of one male and one female skater or two same gender skaters.

BRONZE (Former SO Level 1)

Group 1: Canasta Tango

Group 2: Rhythm Blues

Group 3: Dutch Waltz

SILVER (Former SO Level 2)

Group 1: Cha Cha

Group 2: Fiesta Tango

Group 3: Swing Dance

GOLD: (Former SO Level 3)

Group 1: Riverside Rhumba

Group 2: Willow Waltz

Group 3: Ten Fox

ELITE: (Former SO Level 4)

Group 1: Fourteenstep

Group 2: Foxtrot

Group 3: European Waltz

Group 1: 2012, 2015, 2018

Group 2: 2010, 2013, 2016

Group 3: 2011, 2014, 2017