



# Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

Affiliated to the International Skating Union

## ISA Exceptional Circumstances Policy

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

### 1 Purpose of the Policy

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

### 2 Application of Policy

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

### 3 Policy Statement

This policy will apply to the following ISA Policies Listed.

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

#### 3.1 Panel

In considering the performances of athletes at events, trials, or training camps or applications by athletes for the waiving of specific regulations, the Ice Skating Australia Panel, comprised of the President of Ice Skating Australia, the Chair of the High Performance Committee, the Chair of the Technical Regulations Committee, the Chair of the Judges and Officials Committee and one other member of the Ice Skating Australia Board, may give weight to extenuating circumstances and waive regulations in their absolute discretion for the benefit of an athlete/s. In the event of a tie, the President of Ice Skating Australia will receive another vote to break the tie. The decisions of the Panel will be final.

### 3.2 Exceptional or Extenuating Circumstances

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

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

### 3.3 Exceptional or Extenuating Circumstances Procedure

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

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

### Change History

Version	Approval Date	Change
5.0	10 October 2022	Updated Policy for 2022/2023 Season
4.0	29 June 2020	Updated Policy for 2020/2021 Season
3.0	1st June 2019	Updated Policy for 2019/ 2020 Season
2.0	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Updated Policy for 2018/ 2019 Season
1.0	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	New Policy