



# Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

Affiliated to the International Skating Union

## ISA -21 Olympic Qualifying Competition Selection Policy

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<b>Related Policy Document</b>	The Qualification System for XXIV Olympic Games, Beijing 2022 published by the ISU. Hereinafter referred to as Qualification System		

### 1 Covid 19

The Covid 19 situation is constantly changing and the ability to predict what international events will occur during this and next season, at this point in time, is impossible. As a result of this situation, it may be necessary to vary the terms of this Policy. Ice Skating Australia may have to institute variations to the selection of athletes and if it needs to do so, it will vary and publish the policy and advise athletes as soon as possible.

### 2 Purpose of the Policy

This Policy establishes the criteria for athlete selection to compete at the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition – currently designated by the ISU as Nebelhorn Trophy Sept. 22-25, 2021. However, if the actual event is changed or varied by the ISU, then this policy is accordingly varied.

### 3 Application of Policy

This policy applies to all eligible Australian Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance athletes in Junior and Senior. Quota Places earned by athletes at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 or the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition, or replacement so designated Quota Places Events, are Quota Places for Australia, and are not Quota Places for the athletes themselves for nomination to the XXIV Olympic Games, Beijing 2022. The Nomination of athletes themselves to the XXIV Olympic Games, Beijing 2022, is governed by the Nomination Criteria Figure Skating XXIV Olympic Games, Beijing 2022. This is a separate document approved by the AOC.

### 4 Policy Statement

4.1 **Currently, the ISU has designated, through the Qualification System, that the ISU 2021 World Figure Skating Championships is the first opportunity** for ISA to earn Qualification Quota Places for the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. The designation of that event to earn these Quota Places may change due to Covid 19. If it does change, then this Policy is accordingly changed to reflect the so designated event to allocate Quota Places.

**4.2** If ISA athletes do not earn an Olympic Quota Place at the ISU 2021 World Figure Skating Championships (or so designated replacement event), then ISA will nominate athletes to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition. If the current designation of the Nebelhorn Trophy as the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition changes and the ISU designates another event as the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition, then this Policy will be amended accordingly.

## **5. Selection**

**5.1** ISA will nominate Athletes to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition, if eligible, according to the Qualification System, based on the following:

**5.2** ISA will rank athletes for selection to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition, based on the combined total of their two highest TES scores earned during the period from 1.1.21 up until the closing date of entries to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition, at two ISU Championship and/or ISU International Competitions. A TES Score is the total of the Short Program/Rhythm Dance and Free Program/Free Dance technical element scores earned at ISU Championships and/or ISU International Competitions. The Short Program/Rhythm Dance and Free Program/Free Dance technical element scores must be earned at the same two events.

**5.3** For the TES scores in 5.2 to be eligible to be used in this ranking, the ISU Championships and/or ISU International Competitions must have had no less than 6 competitors complete the event in the athlete(s) division.

**5.4** If, due to a lack of International Events being available during the period from 1.1.21 to the closing date of the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition entries, then ISA will rank athletes based on the athletes two best total TES scores earned at two ISU Championship and ISU International Competitions during the period 1.1.20 – closing date of the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition.

**5.5** **Pair Skating** – ISA will rank athletes, in this division, using scores earned at Australian Benchmark designated events, ISU Championship and ISU International Competitions during the period 1.1.21 to the closing date of the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition. The ranking will be determined by combining the highest two total TES scores earned at two events during the period. In each case, both the short program and free skating technical element scores must be earned at the same event.

**5.6** Ice Skating Australia will advise athletes of their nomination to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition as early as possible, but at the latest, the closing date for entries to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition.

**5.7** Substitute athlete entries will be the second and third so ranked under 5, and will be listed as substitute entries to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition.

### **Change History**

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1.0	20 April 2021	New Policy