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# ISA-06

## ISA International Selection Policy 2025/2026

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## 1. Definitions

- CTES** means Combined Total Elements Score  
**ISA** means Ice Skating Australia Limited  
**ISU** means International Skating Union  
**Policy** means a policy made under clause 8.2 and 22.1

## 2. Introduction and Purpose

The ISA International Selection policy outlines the criteria for consideration and selection to ISU International Events in the 2025/2026 season as published on the ISU International Competitions Calendar.

## 3. Application

The ISA International Selection policy applies to all ISA athletes in Single & Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Solo Ice Dance who are ISU age eligible in the following categories:

- a) Basic Novice
- b) Intermediate Novice
- c) Advanced Novice
- d) Junior and
- e) Senior

## 4. Policy Statement

### 4.1 ISU Age Eligibility for Single & Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Solo Ice Dance

Athletes must be ISU age eligible for the category and discipline as follows:

Category	ISU Age Eligibility
ISU Novice	An ISU Novice age eligible athlete has met the following requirements <b>before 1 July 2025</b> preceding the ISU International Event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i) <b>Basic Novice</b> – has not reached the age of fourteen (14)</li><li>ii) <b>Intermediate Novice</b> – has not reached the age of sixteen (16)</li><li>iii) <b>Advanced Novice</b> – has reached the age of ten (10) and has not reached the age of sixteen (16) for Girls in Single &amp; Pair Skating and Ice Dance, and Boys in Single Skating; and eighteen (18) for Boys in Pair Skating and Ice Dance.</li></ul>

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Category	ISU Age Eligibility
<b>ISU Junior</b>	<p>An ISU Junior age eligible athlete has met the following requirements <b>before 1 July 2025</b> preceding the Event: <u>ISU International Junior Events (ISU International Junior Competitions and ISU Junior Championships)</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Athlete has reached at least the age of thirteen (13), and</li> <li>ii) has not reached the age of nineteen (19) for Women and Men in Single Skating,</li> <li>iii) has not reached the age of twenty-one (21) for Women and the age of twenty-three (23) for Men in Pair Skating.</li> <li>iv) has not reached the age of twenty-one (21) for Women and (21) for Men in Ice Dance.</li> <li>v) <u>A maximum age gap of seven (7) years is allowed between partners in Pair Skating and Ice Dance.</u></li> </ul>

Category	ISU Age Eligibility
<b>ISU Senior</b>	<p>An ISU Senior age eligible athlete has met the following requirement <b>before 1 July 2025</b> preceding the Event: <u>(ISU International Senior Competitions, ISU Senior Championships and the Olympic Winter Games)</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Athlete has reached at least the age of seventeen (17) <u>per ISU Rule 108.</u></li> </ul>

### 4.2 Selection Criteria for ISU Events

Athletes will only be selected to compete in one (1) category per ISU event.

Category	Selection Criteria
<b><u>ISU Basic Novice</u></b>	i) Athletes will be determined by the ISA International Pool and the current ISA Season Ranking
<b><u>ISU Intermediate Novice</u></b>	ii) Athletes must have achieved the required minimum ISA international TES/CTES in the respective category for Novice (ISA-07 ISA International Qualification Policy)
<b><u>ISU Advanced Novice</u></b>	iii) <u>Athletes may only compete one category below the highest competitive level</u>

Category	Selection Criteria
<b>ISU Junior and Senior</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Athletes will be determined by the ISA International Pool and the current ISA Season Ranking</li> <li>ii) Athletes must have achieved the required minimum ISA international CTES for Junior and/or Senior (ISA-05 ISA International Qualification Policy)</li> </ul>

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	<p>iii) <u>Athletes may only compete one category below the highest competitive level</u></p> <p>iv) Senior athletes who are ISU age eligible for Junior must be ranked in the ISA International Junior Pool for selection to ISU Junior events</p>
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## 4.3 Maximum ISU International Assignments

- a) Athletes may only be selected for a maximum number of international assignments.
- b) ISU Junior Grand Prix, ISU Grand Prix, ISU Challenger Series, ISU Championships or Senior invitational events are excluded from the allotments.
- c) An athlete may seek written approval to the Chair, ISA High Performance for additional international assignments.
- d) The ISA Board, at its sole discretion, will consider the request for further assignments.

Category	Maximum ISU International Assignments
Basic Novice	Three (3)
Intermediate Novice	Three (3)
Advanced Novice	Five (5)
Junior	Seven (7)
Senior	Eight (8)

## 4.4 Conditions

Athletes must:

- a) Submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) by the date indicated for the event on the ISA International Assignments calendar 2025/2026.
- b) Achieve the required minimum international qualification score more than 21 days prior to the ISU International event.
- c) Only compete one category below the highest competitive level.
- d) Abide by the ISA Code of Ethics and Behaviour and the ISU Code of Ethics.
- e) Comply with all ISA policies.

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## 5. Amendment and Review

- a) The ISA Board of Directors will review the policy annually to ensure it meets the needs of the organisation.
- b) Any amendments to the policy will require the approval of the Board.

## 6. Change History

Version	Approval Date	Change
10.0	8 April 2025	Update policy for 2025/2026 season
9.2	22 July 2023	Update policy for 2023/2024 season
9.0	8 May 2022	Update policy for 2022/2023 season
8.0	10 October 2022	Update policy for 2022/2023 season
7.0	21 July 2021	Update policy for 2021/2022 season
6.0	29 June 2020	Update policy for 2020/2021 season
5.0	1 June 2019	Update policy for 2019/2020 season
4.0	28 May 2018	Update policy for 2018/2019 season
3.0	30 April 2017	Update policy for 2017/2018 season
2.0	30 April 2016	Update policy for 2016/2017 season
1.0	30 May 2015	Update policy for 2015/2016 season