

Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

Affiliated to the International Skating Union

ISA-06 ISA International Selection Policy

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Related Policies:	ISA-05 ISA International Qualification Policy ISA-08 ISA Season Ranking Policy		

1. INTRODUCTION and PURPOSE OF THE POLICY

- 1.1. This policy is for ISA athletes who are seeking selection to ISU International events in the International 2023/2024 season as published in ISU Communication 2565.
- 1.2. ISA athletes (for the purpose of this policy) are defined as:
 - athletes in all figure skating disciplines: Single, Pair Skating, and Ice Dance
 - athletes in all categories: Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice, Advanced Novice, Junior, and Senior
- 1.3. All nominations are considered by ISA, and selections are determined by the ISA Board.
- 1.4. ISA, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to amend this policy, and will make any amended versions publicly available (with date of amendment) on the ISA website.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. All ISA athletes must comply with current (and amended) ISU eligibility rules and regulations.
- 2.2. All ISA athletes must comply with ISU Communication 2526.
- 2.3. All ISA athletes must be eligible to represent Australia: Full Australian Passport and/or valid ISU Clearance to be an Australian representative.
- 2.4. All ISA athletes must be ISU age eligible for the category and discipline.
- 2.5. All ISA athletes must have achieved the ISA international Technical Element Score (TES) required for the category and discipline.

- 2.6. All athletes must submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Chair, ISA High Performance at least 42 days prior to the international event/s.
- 2.7. All ISA athletes must:
 - adhere to the ISA and ISU Code of Conduct
 - complete the ISA Athlete Agreement relevant for the current international season
 - comply with ISA Policies
 - only compete in ISU or ISA sanctioned events

3. QUALIFICATION AND SELECTION

- 3.1. Selection to ISU International events for the current international season is subject to entry quotas. The required ISA international TES must be achieved more than 21 days prior to the ISU International event as listed on the ISU Competitions Calendar in ISU Communication 2565 and/or subsequent amendments.
- 3.2. Selection of athletes for ISU International events will be based on the current ISA Season Ranking.
- 3.3. Athletes should not arrange travel until the Chair, ISA High Performance and ISA Administration have confirmed selection to the ISU event. ISA takes no responsibility for bookings made before final selection is confirmed and published on the ISA website.
- 3.4. The ISA Board, at its sole discretion, will consider athletes who wish to compete one category below their current ISA category for an ISU International event if the athlete is age eligible.
- 3.5 The maximum number of international assignments allocated to each category is listed in Table 1 below. An athlete must seek written approval for additional assignments from the Chair, ISA High Performance. The ISA Board, at its sole discretion, will consider the request for additional assignments.

Table 1: Maximum ISU International Assignments

Excluding ISU JGP, ISU Championships and Senior Invitational Events

Category	Maximum ISU International Assignments
Basic Novice	3
Intermediate Novice	3
Advanced Novice	5
Junior	7
Senior	8

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 4.1. ISA athletes will only be selected to compete in one category per ISU event.
- 4.2. Selection criteria for each category and ISU events are listed in Table 2.
- 4.3. ISU age eligibility for each category in Single, Pair Skating and Ice Dance are listed in Table 3.

Table 2: Selection Criteria for ISU Events

TES – Technical Element Score. SP – Short Program. FS – Free Skating. RD – Rhythm Dance. FD – Free Dance.

Category	Selection Criteria		
ISU Basic Novice and Intermediate Novice	 Selection for ISU International Basic Novice and Intermediate Novice events in 2023/2024 season as published in ISU Communication 2565, and as listed on ISA International Assignments 2023/2024 will be determined by the ISA International Basic Novice and Intermediate Novice Pools, and the current ISA Season Ranking. ISA athletes must have achieved the ISA international TES (SP/RD and FS/FD) for Basic Novice and/or Intermediate Novice to compete in an ISU Basic Novice and/or Intermediate Novice event. ISA Basic Novice and Intermediate Novice athletes must compete in the category in which the TES was achieved only. ISA athletes will not be able to swap between Basic Novice and Intermediate Novice categories during the season. ISA athletes must be ISU age eligible to compete in an ISU Basic Novice and/or Intermediate Novice event. 		
ISU Advanced Novice	 Selection for ISU International Advanced Novice events in 2023/2024 season as published in ISU Communication 2565, and as listed on ISA International Assignments 2023/2024 will be determined by the ISA International Advanced Novice Pool, and the current ISA Season Ranking. ISA athletes must have achieved the ISA international TES (SP/RD and FS/FD) for Advanced Novice to compete in an ISU Advanced Novice event. ISA athletes must be ISU age eligible to compete in an ISU Advanced Novice event. 		
ISU Junior	 Selection for ISU International Junior events in 2023/2024 season as published in ISU Communication 2565, and as listed on ISA International Assignments 2023/2024 will be determined by the ISA International Junior Pool, and the current ISA Season Ranking. ISA athletes must have achieved the ISA international TES (SP/RD and FS/FD) for Junior to compete in an ISU Junior event. ISA athletes must be ISU Junior age eligible to compete in an ISU Junior event. ISA Senior athletes who are ISU Junior age eligible, and wish to be selected for an ISU Junior event must be ranked in the ISA International Junior Pool. 		

ISU Senior	 Selection for ISU International Senior events in 2023/2024 season as published in ISU Communication 2565, and as listed on ISA International Assignments 2023/2024 will be determined by the ISA International Senior Pool, and the current ISA Season Ranking. ISA athletes must have achieved the ISA international TES (SP/RD and FS/FD) for Senior to compete in an ISU Senior event. ISA athletes must be ISU Senior age eligible to compete in an ISU Senior event.
ISU Development Camps	 Athletes for ISU Development Camps will be nominated by the Chair, ISA Athlete Development and Chair, ISA High Performance, and selected by the ISA Board. Selection will be determined based on the current ISA Season Ranking for the appropriate category and discipline. Athletes will be selected from the ISA International Pool based on rankings in the following order: Athletes who have yet to attend an ISU International event and have achieved the ISA international TES. Athletes who have attended an ISU International event and have achieved the ISA international TES.

Table 3: ISU Age Eligibility for Single, Pair Skating and Ice Dance

Category	ISU Age Eligibility
ISU Novice	An ISU Novice age eligible athlete has met the following requirements before 1 July 2023 preceding the ISU International event:
	i) Basic Novice - has not reached the age of thirteen (13)
	ii) Intermediate Novice - has not reached the age of fifteen (15)
	iii) Advanced Novice - has reached the age of ten (10) and has not reached the age of fifteen (15) for Girls in Single, Pair Skating and Ice Dance and Boys in Single Skating, and seventeen (17) for Boys in Pair Skating and Ice Dance.
ISU Junior	An ISU Junior age eligible athlete has met the following requirements before 1 July 2023 preceding the ISU International event:
	i) Athlete has reached at least the age of thirteen (13), and
	ii) has not reached the age of nineteen (19) for Women and Men in Single Skating, and
	iii) has not reached the age of nineteen (19) for Women, and the age of twenty-one (21) for Men in Pair Skating and Ice Dance.

Category	ISU Age Eligibility
ISU Senior	An ISU Senior age eligible athlete has met the following requirements before 1 July 2023 preceding the ISU International event:
	i) Athlete has reached at least the age of sixteen (16).
	An ISU Senior age eligible athlete has met the following requirements before 1 July 2024 preceding the ISU event:
	ii) Athlete has reached at least the age of seventeen (17).

5. COSTS AND EXPENSES

5.1. ISA will cover the cost of entry fees for athletes selected for ISU International events which are held outside of Australia.

6. WITHDRAWALS

- 6.1. If an ISA athlete withdraws from an ISU International event prior to registering with the Local Organising Committee (LOC), the athlete must reimburse ISA the full amount of the entry fee paid within 45 days.
- 6.2. If an ISA athlete withdraws from 2 or more events in the same figure skating season, the athlete will be required to cover the entry fee costs for the remainder of the season.
- 6.3. If an ISA athlete withdraws from an ISU event due to a medical issue such as illness or injury, the athlete will be required to complete a medical clearance and High Performance review prior to being selected for future events.

Change History

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9.2	22 July 2023	Update Policy for 2023/2024 season
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5.0	1 June 2019	Updated Policy for 2019/ 2020 season
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