

NEW ZEALAND ICE FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION INC.
2015 New Zealand National Ice Figure Skating Championships
2015 New Zealand Adult Ice Figure Skating National Championships

TECHNICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

GENERAL REGULATIONS:

The New Zealand National Ice Figure Skating Championships will be conducted in accordance with the 2014 ISU Regulations and current ISU Communications for Figure, Dance and Synchronized, and in accordance with the latest issue of the NZIFSA Rules & Regulations. Singles, Pairs, Ice Dancing, Synchronized Skating and Adult Skating will be judged using the ISU Judging System.

MUSIC: All competitors shall provide music on Compact Disk (CD). The CD must contain only one track and must be marked as follows:

Competitors Name
 Championship Section (e.g. Primary Ladies)
 Program Identification (e.g. Short Program)
 Exact running time of music (not skating time)

TECHNICAL DATA:

All Championship events and Official Practices will take place at Paradise Ice Skating, Botany Downs, Auckland, an indoor, artificial rink with an ice surface of **60m x 30m** metres.

ELIGIBILITY:

Refer to the following Rules from the 2015 NZIFSA Rules & Regulations:

SINGLES, PAIRS, ICE DANCE, ADULT Rules 205, 206, 216, 227, 228
and SYNCHRONIZED Rules 205, 206, 216, 227, 603

For the New Zealand National Championships, skaters/couples must not have competed in a higher grade - locally, nationally or internationally. The exception to this is the Junior grade if the skater is eligible under Rule 228.1.

Guest competitors from other ISU Federations are to skate in the equivalent grade as they compete in at competitions within their own country or internationally.

Where a skater has competed in a grade prior to 1st January 2015, they will not require the relevant stroking test as a condition of eligibility for that grade. Skaters moving up to a grade will require all tests as below.

Specifically note the following eligibility requirements:

SINGLES

JUVENILE Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:

- i. have passed a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Free Skating and a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking;
- ii. have not reached the age of twelve years before the 1st July immediately preceding the championship;
- iii. have met the minimum TES points of 7.00 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

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) Free Skating and a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Stroking;
- ii. have not reached the age of sixteen years before the 1st July immediately preceding the championship;

iii. have met the minimum TES points of 8.25 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

PRIMARY Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:

- i. have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Free Skating and a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Stroking;
- ii. not reached the age of fourteen years before the 1st July immediately preceding the championship;
- iii. have met the minimum TES points of 10.75 (Men) or 10.00 (Ladies) at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

INTERMEDIATE Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:

- i. have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Free Skating and a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Stroking;
- ii. have met the minimum TES points of 10.75 (Men) or 10.00 (Ladies) at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

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) Free Skating or have passed the Novice Competitive test and a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Stroking.
- ii. have met the minimum TES points of 24.50 (Men) or 20.25 (Ladies) at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

JUNIOR Championship for Singles is open to those skaters who, at the closing of entries:

- i. have passed a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Free Skating or have passed the Junior Competitive test and a minimum of Test 6 (Inter Gold) Stroking.
- ii. have met the minimum TES points of 34.75 (Men) or 26.75 (Ladies) at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

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) Free Skating or have passed the Senior Competitive test and a minimum of Test 7 (Gold) Stroking.
- ii. have met the minimum TES points of 48.25 (Men) or 33.25 (Ladies) at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with NZIFSA Rule 205.1.

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.

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.

BRONZE II Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

BRONZE III Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

SILVER II Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

SILVER III Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

GOLD II Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

GOLD III Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

ELITE II Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

ELITE III Championship for Singles is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before 1st July preceding the championship.

NOTE: Men and Ladies will be judged separately.

ADULT INTERPRETIVE

BRONZE INTERPRETIVE Championship is open to skaters who have reached the age of 18 years or more before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

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.

GOLD 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.

An Adult skater can only enter in one level of Adult Free skate but may also enter in the Adult Interpretive Event.

PAIR SKATING

JUVENILE Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Pair Skating Test and Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking Test and have met the minimum TES points of 6.50 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

PRE PRIMARY Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Pair Skating Test and Test 3 (Bronze) Stroking Test and have met the minimum TES points of 7.00 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

PRIMARY Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Pair Skating Test and Test 4 (Inter Silver) Stroking Test and have met the minimum TES points of 8.50 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

NOVICE Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Pair Skating Test or have passed the Novice Competitive test and Test 5 (Silver) Stroking Test and have met the minimum TES points of 16.00 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

JUNIOR Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of the Test 5 (Silver) Pair Skating Test or have passed the Junior Competitive test and Test 6 (Inter Gold) Stroking Test and have met the minimum TES points of 34.75 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

SENIOR Championship for Pair Skating is open to couples who, at the close of entries, have passed a minimum of the Test 6 (Inter Gold) Pair Skating Test or have passed the Senior Competitive test and at least the Test 7 (Gold) Stroking Test and have met the minimum TES points of 41.75 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

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

ADULT PAIRS

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.

NOTE: In Pair Skating, where couples bridge the age group the elder skater of the partnership must skate in the younger age group.

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.

BRONZE II Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

BRONZE III Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

SILVER II Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

SILVER III Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

GOLD II Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

GOLD III Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

ELITE II Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

ELITE III Championship for Pair Skating is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

ICE DANCE

JUVENILE Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Dance at the close of entries and have met the minimum TES points of 15.50 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

PRE PRIMARY Championship for Ice Dance – Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Dance medal at the close of entries and have met the minimum TES points of 12.00 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

PRIMARY Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Dance at the close of entries and have met the minimum TES points of 13.00 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

NOVICE Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Dance or have passed the Novice Competitive Dance test at the close of entries and have met the minimum TES points of 18.50 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

JUNIOR Championship for Ice Dance - Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) or have passed the Junior Competitive Dance test at the close of entries and have met the minimum TES points of 30.25 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

SENIOR Championship for Ice Dance – Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 6 (Inter Gold) Dance or have passed the Senior Competitive Dance test at the close of entries and have met the minimum TES points of 39.75 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

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.

New Zealand Waltzing Trophy- is open to all couples.

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

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 skater is able and/or wants to include

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.

BRONZE II Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

BRONZE III Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

SILVER II Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

SILVER III Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

GOLD II Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

GOLD III Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

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.

ELITE II Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 35 years but not reached the age of 55 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship.

ELITE III Championship for Ice Dance is open to skaters who have reached the age of 55 years or more before the 1st July preceding the championship.

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

JUVENILE - A team of 9 to 16 skaters. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 0 (Elementary) Stroking or Test 0 (Elementary) Ice Dance at the close of entries and the team must have met the minimum TES points of 12.25 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

OPEN - A team of 8 to 16 skaters. There are no age limits. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking or Test 1 (Preliminary) Ice Dance at the close of entries and the team must have met the minimum TES points of 13.25 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

NOVICE – A team of 9 to 16 skaters. At least 75% of the skaters must be aged 15 or under before the 1st of July immediately preceding the championship. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking or Test 1 (Preliminary) Dance at the close of entries and the team must have met the minimum TES points of 13.25 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

JUNIOR - A team of 9 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 championship. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking or Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Ice Dance at the close of entries and the team must have met the minimum TES points of 23.75 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

SENIOR - A team of 9 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 3 (Bronze) Stroking or Test 3 (Bronze) Ice Dance at the close of entries and the team must have met the minimum TES points of 32.25 at a Club or Regional Championship in accordance with Rule 205.1.

ADULT SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

ADULT - A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be 25 years of age or older before the 1st of July immediately preceding the championship. 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 championship. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 0 (Elementary) Stroking, Test 0 (Elementary) Pattern Dance, Test A0 (Adult Elementary) Stroking, or Test A1 (Adult Preliminary) Pattern Dance at the close of entries.

Each team may have a maximum of four (4) alternates on the team roster and they must be listed as such.

TABULATION: Placing will be tabulated in accordance with the ISU Judging System

PROGRAM TIMING:

For singles, pair skating, synchronized skating, and ice dance, the program timing starts from the moment the skater(s) begin to move or skate until arriving at a complete stop at the end of the program. For free programs, competitors are allowed to finish their program within plus or minus ten seconds of the required time.

REQUIREMENTS

SINGLES

The ISU Regulations and current Communications shall apply to all grades with the current guidelines for Novice Advanced (Novice), Novice Basic B (Primary and Intermediate) and Novice Basic A (Pre Primary) applying to elements for those grades. ISU Communications published within two weeks of the beginning of the Championships will not be valid at this event.

229.1 SHORT PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

NOVICE, JUNIOR and SENIOR

Junior and Senior Short Programs must not exceed two minutes 50 seconds and Novice Short Program must not exceed 2 minutes 30 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. n) will apply.

- The jumps in the jump combination must be different from the solo jumps for **Novice to Senior** grades.

NOTE: In order to encourage skaters to include the more difficult jumps in their short programs, 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** skaters to include the double axel and triple jumps.
- **Junior** skaters to include triple jumps (including triple Axel for Junior Men).
- **Senior** skaters to include triple jumps and quadruple (including triple Axel for Senior Men).

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

SENIOR

SHORT PROGRAMME: As per current ISU Regulations

FREESKATING: Ladies: 4 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds),
Men: 4 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per current ISU Regulations

JUNIOR

SHORT PROGRAMME: As per current ISU Regulations Group for 2015-2016

FREESKATING: Ladies: 3 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds),
Men: 4 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per current ISU Regulations

NOVICE

SHORT PROGRAMME (Ladies and Men): As per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.1

FREESKATING: Ladies: 3 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds),
Men: 3 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.2

NOTE: For Novice, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 3 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

INTERMEDIATE

FREESKATING PROGRAMME: (Ladies and Men): 3 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.2

NOTE: For Intermediate, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 3 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

PRIMARY

FREESKATING PROGRAMME: (Ladies and Men): 3 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.2

NOTE: For Primary, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

PRE-PRIMARY

FREESKATING PROGRAMME (Ladies and Men): 2 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.2

NOTE: For Pre Primary, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

JUVENILE

FREESKATING PROGRAMME (Ladies and Men): 2 minutes 15 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.2

NOTE: For Juvenile, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

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 double jumps in their Free Skate program, skaters who attempt a double jump 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.

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

ADULT SKATING

ADULT SINGLES FREESKATING In the Adult Section competitions for Singles each grade will skate a free skate program only as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.4

Requirements for Adult Singles Free Skating:

BRONZE Duration: must not exceed 1 minute 50 seconds but may be less.
SILVER Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 10 seconds but may be less.
GOLD Duration: must not exceed 2 minutes 40 seconds but may be less.
ELITE Duration: must not exceed 3 minutes 10 seconds but may be less

BRONZE, SILVER and GOLD INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMMES As per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 229.5
Duration: must not exceed 1 minute and 40 seconds

PAIR SKATING:

SHORT PROGRAMMES:

SENIOR AND JUNIOR Short Programs must not exceed two minutes 50 seconds and **NOVICE** Short Program must not exceed 2 minutes 30 seconds but may be less provided that all the required elements have been included; the time is 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.

NOTE: ISU Communications published within two weeks of the beginning of the Championships will not be valid at this event.

SENIOR

SHORT PROGRAMME: As per current ISU Regulations
FREESKATING: 4 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per current ISU Regulations

JUNIOR

SHORT PROGRAMME: As per current ISU Regulations Group for 2015-2016
FREESKATING: 4 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per current ISU Regulations

NOVICE**SHORT PROGRAMME** As per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 230.1**FREESKATING:** 3 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2014 NZIFSA Rule 230.2**PRIMARY****FREESKATING:** 3 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 230.2**PRE-PRIMARY****FREESKATING:** 2 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 230.2**JUVENILE****FREESKATING:** 2 minutes 15 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)
Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 230.2**ADULT PAIRS FREESKATING**

As per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 230.3

In the Adult Sections competitions for Pair Skating each grade will skate a free skate program only. Props are not permitted.

BRONZE Duration: maximum of 2 minutes 10 seconds but may be less**SILVER** Duration: maximum of 2 minutes 40 seconds but may be less**GOLD** Duration: maximum of 2 minutes 50 seconds but may be less**ELITE** Duration: maximum of 3 minutes 10 seconds but may be less**ICE DANCE****SENIOR****SHORT DANCE** As per current ISU Rules and ISU Communications
DURATION: may not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds**FREE DANCE** As per current ISU Rules
DURATION: 4 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)**JUNIOR****SHORT DANCE** As per current ISU Rules and ISU Communications
DURATION: may not exceed 2 minutes 50 seconds**FREE DANCE** As per current ISU Rules
DURATION: 3 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)**NOVICE****PATTERN DANCES**As per Novice Advanced requirements published in ISU Communications
Group 2: Rocker Foxtrot, Starlight Waltz; Group 3: Kilian, Blues (one group to be drawn)**FREE DANCE** (requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 231.2)
DURATION: 3 minutes (+ or - 10 seconds)**PRIMARY****PATTERN DANCES**As per Novice Basic requirements published in ISU Communications
Group 1: Fourteenstep, European Waltz**FREE DANCE** (requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 231.2)
DURATION: 2 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)**PRE-PRIMARY****PATTERN DANCES**

As per Novice Basic requirements published in ISU Communications
Group 1: Fourteenstep, European Waltz

FREE DANCE (requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 231.2)

DURATION: 2 minutes 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)

JUVENILE

PATTERN DANCES

The following two dances will be skated:

Group 1: Riverside Rhumba, Swing Dance

FREE DANCE (requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 231.2)

DURATION: 1 minute 30 seconds (+ or – 10 seconds)

NZ WALTZING TROPHY - American Waltz

NORMAN WRIGHT WALTZING TROPHY - European Waltz

ADULT ICE DANCING

Adult Ice Dance consists of the following separate events:

- Pattern Dance event (all grade levels)
- Short Dance event (Open grade)
- Free Dance event (all grade levels)

PATTERN DANCE EVENT REQUIREMENTS

BRONZE	Fourteenstep, Foxtrot
SILVER	American Waltz, Paso Doble
GOLD	Westminster Waltz, Rhumba
ELITE	Westminster Waltz, Tango Romantica

SHORT DANCE EVENT REQUIREMENTS: as per 2015 NZIFSA Regulations 231.3

OPEN: maximum duration of 2 minutes 50 seconds but may be less

FREE DANCE EVENT REQUIREMENTS: as per 2015 NZIFSA Regulations 231.3

BRONZE	maximum duration of 2 minutes but may be less
SILVER:	maximum duration of 2 minutes and 40 seconds but may be less
GOLD:	maximum duration of 3 minutes and 10 seconds but may be less
ELITE:	maximum duration of 3 minutes and 10 seconds but may be less

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

MUSIC

Any music including vocal music using lyrics is permitted. However, the teams must skate the program in time to the music. Additions of the sounds of applause or cheers are not permitted.

WARM UP

Short & Free Skating Program – As per current ISU Rules

SHORT PROGRAMS for Junior and Senior grades only:

The short program, for the Junior and Senior grades only, may not exceed two minutes and fifty seconds duration but may be less provided that all elements have been included. The time must be reckoned from the moment the team begins to move or to skate until arriving at a complete stop at the end of the program.

Senior Short Program: As per current ISU Regulations.

Junior Short Program: As per current ISU Regulations

FREE SKATE PROGRAMS for all grades: Requirements as per 2015 NZIFSA Rule 604.5

JUVENILE	3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)
OPEN	3 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)
NOVICE	3 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)
JUNIOR	4 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)
SENIOR	4 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)
ADULT	3 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)

The time must be reckoned from the moment the team begins to move or to skate until arriving at a complete stop at the end of the program.

EVENT WARM-UP TIMES

SINGLES: As per NZIFSA Rules 213.9 & 213.10.
6 minutes in duration.

PAIRS: As per NZIFSA Rules 213.9 & 213.10.
6 minutes in duration.

ICE DANCE: As per NZIFSA Rules 213.9 & 213.10.

Pattern Dance (including waltzing trophies): 4 minutes in duration (1 minute without music and 3 minutes with music)

Short and Free Dances: 5 minutes in duration.