

NZIFSA Funding Policy

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1. Policy Aims and Considerations

This policy aims to set out the terms and amounts of funding which will be made available to those persons representing New Zealand internationally at the Australian National Championships and at International events specified in this Policy.

The purpose of funding is to achieve particular aims of the Association.

The maximum amount funded is subject to budgetary considerations and is likely to vary from year to year. Income, other expenditure, the number of athletes and officials representing New Zealand in a season, and the number of events attended will all impact the maximum funding that the NZIFSA will be able to provide.

All funding amounts are quoted as and shall be paid in NZ Dollars.

2. Travel and Reimbursement Policy Applies to All Funding

All funding provided for by this policy is also subject to the terms of the Travel and Reimbursement Policy. Funding will only be paid once the event for which the funding allocation had been advised has been completed and proof of participation in the event provided.

3. Travel and Accommodation

Except where explicitly noted otherwise, funding is provided for reimbursement of approved travel and accommodation expenses only. Accommodation en-route will not be funded unless it is both an organised part of team travel and reduces the overall cost of travel.

Only economy class airfares will be funded.

4. Contributions for Coaches

Where funding is provided for coaches, funding will be provided for an athlete to take their New Zealand based primary coach. ~~from the athlete's training base or to use another coach.~~ Where another coach is used, the maximum funding provided ~~will~~ may be less.

Funding for a primary coach is provided for travel and accommodation for the time the skater/s is competing only.

Funding for a coach other than the athlete's/team's New Zealand based primary coach is provided for coaching fees only.

Parents/caregivers may not act as coaches unless they are Coach Members of the NZIFSA and have been the primary coach for their child for more than one year.

Where two or more athletes use the same coach, only one primary coach contribution will be provided.

5. Funding Season

The funding season is defined as approximately one year between New Zealand Nationals events. Within this document season always refers to funding season.

6. Funding is Maximum

All amounts shown are the maximum that may be reimbursed (subject to the Travel and Reimbursement Policy). Where a percentage is given, only that percentage of the total reimbursable expenses will be reimbursed (up to the maximum given).

~~7. Payments in Advance~~

~~Funding may be provided up to three months in advance of departure (subject to the Travel and Reimbursement Policy). An expenses form must be submitted indicating a request for advance payment. Invoices and receipts must be submitted at a later date and any amount~~

advanced in excess of an allowed claim must be returned. See also Travel and Reimbursement Policy.

8. ~~Special Training Grants for ISU Championships~~

Funding is provided for special training to a maximum specified amount per funding season for special training in preparation for ISU Championships (those ISU events with the word championship in the name of the event).

Only the following special training will be funded and only for amounts which exceed the normal costs of training:

- ~~High-altitude training and acclimatisation;~~
- ~~Ice time for programme run-throughs (to a maximum of \$100/hr and 4 hours, not earlier than 2 weeks prior to departure);~~
- ~~Overseas training under the guidance of an internationally recognised coach (except immediately prior to the event); and~~
- ~~Training costs necessary to ensure a high-level of performance where the costs exceed the costs of normal training and the result of **exceptional circumstances** (where approved by the Board).~~

Training for Events	Max. Funding Per Athlete Per Season
ISU Championships Training	100% up to \$1500.00

9.7. ~~Personal Bests & Qualifying Bonuses~~

Events	Discipline	Criteria	Max Qualifying Bonus
<u>Worlds / Junior Worlds</u>	<u>Singles, Dance, Pairs</u>	Skater reaches the <u>freeskate round</u>	<u>\$750</u>
<u>ISU Synchronized World Championship or Junior World Championship</u>	<u>Synchronised Skating</u>	<u>Total overall placing in the top 8</u>	<u>\$1,000 per team</u>
<u>Junior GP's/Junior & Senior International Competitions</u>	<u>Singles</u>	<u>Total overall placing in the top 8</u>	<u>\$500 per skater</u>
	<u>Dance/ Pairs</u>	<u>Total overall placing in the top 8 if more than 12 couples</u>	<u>\$500 per skater</u>
	<u>Synchronised Skating</u>	<u>Total overall placing in the top 12</u>	<u>\$1,000 per team</u>
<u>Four Continents</u>	<u>Singles</u>	<u>Total overall placing in the top 12</u>	<u>\$500 per skater</u>
	<u>Dance/ Pairs</u>	<u>Total overall placing in the top 6</u>	<u>\$500 per skater</u>

Athletes/teams must have previously competed at an ISU competition to obtain an initial personal best score (recorded by the ISU) to earn any of the personal best rewards. Only competitions for which the ISU updates the athlete's/team's personal best score shall be considered.

Event	Achievement	Reward
Worlds	Short Programme Personal Best	\$100
Worlds	Qualify for Free Skating	\$250
Junior Worlds	Short Programme Personal Best	\$100
Junior Worlds	Qualify for Free Skating	\$250
Four Continents	Personal Best (combined)*	\$250
Junior Grand Prix	Personal Best (combined)*	\$250

ISU Senior International**	Personal Best (combined)*	\$250
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—must qualify for free skating

** only where ISU updates the athlete's/team's personal best score.

40 8. Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance Competitors

Note that the ISU normally provides accommodation at ISU Championships (Worlds, Junior Worlds, Four Continents); at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival, accommodation and transportation may be subsidised by the NZOC.

All required documentation must be completed in full and submitted to the appointed NZIFSA Official by the date set by the NZIFSA. Failure to comply will result in your entry not being submitted to the organizing committee and no funding will be made available.

Athletes are encouraged to attend two International Competitions on the same trip.

Events	Max. Funding per Athlete per Event	Max. Funding per Coach per Event	Max. Events Funded per Season
Worlds / Junior Worlds	\$2,500.00 <u>\$1,250.00</u>	NZ based Primary: \$2,000.00-\$1,000.00 Other: US\$500.00 <u>\$400.00</u>	2 <u>1</u>
Four Continents	\$2,000.00 <u>\$1,000.00</u>	NZ based Primary: \$1,500.00-\$750.00 Other: US\$500.00 <u>\$350.00</u>	1
International Competitions including Junior Grand Prix (International Squad) (ISU Listed)	1 st event: 75% up to \$2,000.00 <u>\$1,000.00</u>	NZ based Primary: \$1,500.00-\$750.00 Other: US\$300.00 <u>\$350.00</u>	Senior/Junior – 1st and 2nd Events <u>2</u> Novice – 1 event only
	2 nd event: 75% up to \$750.00* <u>\$500.00*</u>	NZ based Primary/Other: \$500.00 <u>\$350.00</u>	Novice – 1st event only
	2 nd event: (separate trip) 75% up to \$1,500.00 <u>\$1,000.00</u>	NZ based Primary: \$750.00-\$400.00 Other: \$500.00 <u>\$350.00</u>	International Development skaters can do more at own expense
Australian Youth Olympic Festival	\$300.00	\$0.00	1 every 2 years
NZ Winter Games	\$300.00	\$300.00	1 every 2 years
Inter-Club Internationals other than Australia and New Zealand (not ISU events) for Development Squad members	\$250.00	Primary/Other: \$100.00	1
Australian Figure Skating Championships	\$200.00 per skater up to a maximum of \$2,000 per annum	\$0.00	1
ISU Dance, Pair or Singles Seminars	Individually assessed up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 <u>\$750.00</u> per skater <u>and a maximum of \$3,000.00 in total for any seminar</u>	Individually assessed up to a maximum of \$500.00 <u>\$400.00</u> per coach <u>and a maximum of \$1600.00 in total for any seminar</u>	1

* Costs and remuneration for the 1st and 2nd events will be combined where a skater attends two events.

449. Synchronized Skating Teams

Events	Max. Funding per Team per Event	Max. Funding per Coach per Event	Max. Events Funded per Season
Worlds	\$3,000.00 \$100.00 per team member. Maximum \$2000.00 per team	NZ based Primary: \$2,000.00 \$1,000.00 Other: US\$500.00 \$400.00	1
International Competitions (including Junior and Novice) (ISU listed)	\$2,000.00 \$75.00 per team member. Maximum \$1500.00 per team	\$0.00 NZ based Primary: \$750.00 Other: \$350.00	1
Australian National Championships	\$65.00 per team member. Maximum \$750.00 per team up to a maximum of \$2500.00 per annum	\$0.00 NZ based Primary: \$750.00 Other: \$350.00	1

102. Team Leaders

Events	Max. Funding per Official per Event	Max. Events Funded per Season
Singles/Pairs/Dance Team leader at ISU Championships and ISU Internationals	\$2,000.00 \$1500.00 plus cost of official accommodation if not provided by ISU for <u>official days of competition</u>	1*
Synchronised team leader at World Championships	\$2,000.00 \$1500.00 plus cost of official accommodation if not provided by ISU for <u>official days of competition</u>	1*

* normally a person may be selected for a team leader position only once per funding season, however if circumstances require an individual to serve as team leader at more than one competition, funding will be provided in all cases.

** ~~higher funding may be provided where necessary to ensure a team leader will be available when required.~~

113. International and ISU Judges / Officials

Events	Max. Funding per Official per Event	Max. Events Funded
ISU Championships	75% up to \$2,000.00 Economy airfare is reimbursed by the ISU	1 per 3 years per discipline
ISU Internationals	75% up to \$2,000.00 \$1,500.00*	1 per 3 years per discipline

ISU Seminars in Australia (except around Australian Nationals)	\$250.00 <u>\$200.00</u>	1 per season
ISU Seminars (rest of World)	\$1,000.00 75% up to \$1,000.00	1 per 3 years per discipline
ISU Exams	\$1,500.00 * <u>75% up to \$1,200.00**</u>	1 per discipline

* Funding will only be provided where NZ skaters are competing, unless required for an activity.

** ISU reimburses the NZIFSA for judges who pass the ISU Judges exam CHF1000.00 (Swiss Francs). Technical Panel Officials who pass the ISU exam (Frankfurt Seminar) are not reimbursed by the ISU.

124. Board, Operations and Development Group Members

Events	Max. Funding per Official per Event	Max. Events Funded
ISU Congress	Up to \$2,000.00 <u>\$3,000.00</u> for airfares plus up to \$1,500.00 for accommodation <u>for two persons</u>	1 per 2 years (President or <u>and</u> 1 nominated representative) NOTE: Others may attend at own cost and with the Board's approval. If sufficient funding is available the Board may endeavour to send two representatives or fully fund the President.

135. Reimbursements outside Policy

No reimbursements or expenditure may be made outside this policy without specific approval of the Board.