TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY

Refer to NZIFSA 2021 Rules and Regulations

| <mark>SINGLES</mark> KiwiSkate, Pre Elementary & Elementary Grades | All grades (except for Senior) shall be divided into three categories according to the skater's age as at the 1st July immediately preceding the championship: Under 12, Ladies (12 & Over) and Men (12 & Over). That is, Ladies and Men shall be judged separately except when aged under 12. As per NZIFSA Rule 226.3 Free skate programme only |
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| KiwiSkate Grade: Free Skate Programme up to 1 minute 40 seconds | Skaters may not hold any NZIFSA Free skating or stroking tests. TC registration is not required for skaters in this grade. Optional jump different from below (may be a jump combination consisting of only two jumps, jumps performed solo may be repeated once in combination) Salchow Toe loop Upright spin without change of foot (min 3 revs) A Simple step sequence (at least one half the length of the rink) |
| Pre Elementary Grade: Free Skate Programme up to 2 minutes 15 seconds | At close of entries Skaters must hold a minimum of Elementary Stroking. Optional jump (selected from Loop, Flip or Lutz) Optional jump (selected from loop, flip or Lutz); different to the jump performed in above. Salchow Toe loop Upright spin without change of foot (min 3 revs) A Simple step sequence (at least one half the length of the rink) |
| Elementary Grade: Free Skate Programme up to 2 minutes 15 seconds | At close of entries Skaters must hold a minimum of Elementary Free skating test and a minimum of Preliminary Stroking. Loop jump Flip or Lutz Spin in one position with no change of foot – choice of upright/sit/camel (min 4 revs) Step sequence (fully utilises the ice surface) Optional element 1, jump different from those above (solo jump, combo not permitted) Optional element 2, jump different from those above (may be a jump combination consisting of only two jumps, jumps performed solo may be repeated once in combination) Optional Element 3, spin different from those above (can be a combination spin without a change of foot (min 4 revs), change foot spins not permitted) |

| <u>SINGLES</u> | Eligibility for all following grades as per NZIFSA Rule 224.1 |
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| Juvenile | Free Skate Programme of 2 minutes 15 seconds (+/- 10seconds) as per NZIFSA requirements (Rule 226.2) |
| Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice | Free Skate Programme only - As per current ISU requirements |
| Advanced Novice, Junior & Senior | Short & Free Skate Programmes - As per current ISU requirements |

| Youth Interpretive Grades | Competitors must have reached the age of 12 years but not reached the age of 18 years before the 1st of July preceding the championship. Skaters may only enter a youth interpretive or a standard singles skating grade, not both. Men and Ladies will be judged separately. | | |
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| | Vocal music is permitted. The Interpretive programme will be judged only on the basis of the five Component Marks. The programme should consist of a variety of skating moves selected for their value to enhance the skater's interpretation of the music rather than for their technical difficulty. Skaters will be judged on their ability to interpret the music and develop a theme by using their skating skills. The Interpretive programme must include: a) A minimum of one and a maximum of two jump elements b) A minimum of one and a maximum of two spins Jump combinations of up to three jumps are permitted. In Bronze and Silver only single jumps, excluding Axel, are permitted. Gold and Elite have no limits on the number of jump revolutions. However, credit for jumps and spins is based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music, no credit will be given for their technical difficulty. Falls are not subject to a deduction but may have a negative impact on the Program Components. Elements exceeding the maximum number will be judged as an illegal element and receive a 1.0 deduction. Elements lacking in number will receive a 1.0 deduction. The programme must be developed through skating skill and quality rather than through non-skating actions such as sliding on one knee or excessive use of toe steps which should be used only to reflect the character of the programme and to underline the rhythm and nuances of the chosen music. The skater must not remain in one place for more than five (5) seconds. Costumes should be simple, tasteful and selected to enhance the performance by appropriately reflecting the character of the music and theme. Props may not be used in any part of the programme. Any item that is held in the hand or removed during the performance is considered a prop. A hat worn throughout the programme is not considered a prop | | |
| | unless intentionally removed. | | |

| | Objects on the ice, thrown to the audience, placed on the boards or on the Judges' tables are not permitted. Costumes that contain particles that may mar or leave anything on the ice surface (feathers, boas, excessive beading) are considered unsafe and are not permitted. Illegal elements Somersault type jumps Lying on the ice and prolonged and/or stationary kneeling on both knees on the ice. | |
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| Bronze Interpretive Programme of 1 minute and 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds | Indicative NZIFSA test level: No test or Elementary | |
| Silver Interpretive Programme of 1 minute and 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds | Indicative NZIFSA test level: Preliminary or Inter Bronze | |
| Gold Interpretive Programme of 2 minutes +/- 10 seconds | Indicative NZIFSA test level: Bronze or Inter Silver | |
| Elite Interpretive Programme of 2 minutes +/- 10 seconds | Indicative NZIFSA test level: Silver and above | |

| PAIRS | As per NZIFSA Rule 227.3 | | |
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| Elementary Grade: Free Skate Programme up to 2 minutes | Skaters may not hold any NZIFSA pair skating tests and must hold a minimum of Elementary Stroking test. One solo jump or jump combination/sequence (combination may only consist of 2 jumps) One pivot figure One solo spin or solo spin combination (min 4 rev) One choreographic sequence (includes 1 spiral position of each partner) | | |
| PAIRS | Eligibility for all following grades - as per NZIFSA Rule 224.3 | | |
| Juvenile | Free Skate Programme only - As per NZIFSA requirements (Rule 227.2) | | |
| Pre Novice & Basic Novice | Free Skate Programme only - As per current NZIFSA requirements | | |
| Advanced Novice, Junior & Senior | Short & Free Skate Programmes - As per current ISU requirements | | |

| ICE DANCE | (2021 - Group 1 Pattern Dances) | | |
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| Pre-Elementary | NZIFSA Ice Dance tests must not be held by either skater (Rule 228.3) Dutch Waltz and Tango Canasta | | |
| Elementary | At least 1 skater must have passed Test 0 (Elementary) Pattern dance at the closing of entries and either or both skaters may hold higher (Rule 228.3) Tango Canasta and Golden Skater's Waltz | | |
| Juvenile to Senior Grades | Eligibility as per NZIFSA Rule 224.5 Pattern Dances or Rhythm Dance and Free Dance As per NZIFSA Requirements Rule 228 | | |

| SOLO ICE DANCE | As per NZIFSA (Rules 228.5 & 228.6) (Group 1) | | |
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| Pre-Elementary | NZIFSA Ice Dance tests or medal tests must not be held Dutch Waltz and Tango Canasta | | |
| Elementary | Must have passed minimum of Elementary Pattern Dance. Tango Canasta and Golden Skater's Waltz | | |
| | Eligibility for all following grades as per NZIFSA Rule 224.7 | | |
| Juvenile | Riverside Rhumba and Swing Dance | | |
| Pre – Primary | Willow Waltz and Foxtrot | | |
| Primary | American Waltz and Cha Congelado | | |
| Open | Starlight Waltz and Blues | | |
| <u>SOUTH ISLAND</u> DANCING TROPHY | European Waltz (2 Seq) Entry is open to ice dance couples of any level; solo dancers may not compete for this trophy. Each couple consists of a man and a lady. The man must skate the man's steps and the lady must skate the lady's steps. | | |
| SPECIAL SKATE | As per NZIFSA rules & regulations Rule 229 | | |

ADULT EVENTS: Eligibility as per NZIFSA Rule 224

| Adult Singles | All Grades - as per NZIFSA requirements (Rule 226.4) |
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| | Free Skate Programme |
| Adult Interpretive | All Grades - as per NZIFSA requirements (Rule 226.5) |
| | Interpretive Programme |
| Adult Pairs | All Grades - as per NZIFSA requirements (rule 227.4) |
| | Free Skate Programme |

ADULT ICE DANCING - All Grades as per NZIFSA Requirements (Rule 228.4)

Each couple consists of a man and a lady. The man must skate the man's steps and the lady must skate the lady's steps.

| | Adult Ice Dance consists of the following separate events: Pattern Dance event (all grade levels) Rhythm Dance (open grade) Free Dance event (All grade levels) | |
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| Pattern Dance Event | Bronze:Fourteenstep and Swing DanceSilver:European Waltz and TangoGold:Starlight Waltz and Silver SambaElite:Starlight Waltz and Rhumba | |
| Rhythm Dance Event | As per NZIFSA Regulations (Rule 228.4) | |
| Free Dance Event | As per NZIFSA Regulations (Rule 228.4) | |

ADULT SOLO ICE DANCE All Grades as per NZIFSA Requirements (Rule 228.7)

| Pattern Dance Event Group 1 | Bronze: Silver: | Riverside Rhumba and Swing Dance European Waltz and Rocker Foxtrot |
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| | | Kilian and Argentine Tango |

SYNCHRONISED SKATINGEligibility as per NZIFSA Rule 224All Grades as per NZIFSA Requirements (Section 600)

| Elementary | Free skate only 2 minutes 30 seconds +/- 10 sec Minimum of 8 skaters, maximum 16 skaters, may hold Preliminary stroking or Preliminary Pattern Dance but no higher stroking or pattern dance test may be held at closing date. All must be TC Registered. Maximum of 5 Elements chosen from: 1 Block, 1 Circle, 1 Line, 1 Wheel, 1 Intersection | |
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| Basic Novice | Free Skate Programme As per current ISU requirements | |
| Mixed Age | Free Skate Programme As per NZIFSA requirements | |
| Advanced Novice | Free Skate Programme As per current ISU requirements | |
| Junior | Short Programme & Free Skate Programme As per current ISU requirements | |
| Senior | Short Programme & Free Skate Programme As per current ISU requirements | |
| Adult | Free Skate Programme As per NZIFSA requirements | |