

NEW ZEALAND ICE FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION INC.
 Clucas Cup
 2026 Selection Competition

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Clucas Cup provides an opportunity for skaters that competed at our National Championships to have a second chance to gain international selection or to gain a higher priority, and to provide a mechanism for skaters to be able to move up a grade and seek selection at the higher grade.

VENUE: Alpine Ice Sports Centre
 495 Brougham St, Opawa, Christchurch 8023

DATES: Saturday 13 June – Sunday 14 June 2026

PRACTICES: Unofficial practices will commence on Friday 12 June 2026

ENTRIES: Entries shall be made through affiliated clubs on the official entry forms, accompanied by the appropriate fee and including the skater's TC Number. Skaters must have competed at the 2025 NZIFSA National Championships to be eligible for entry. Entries and fees shall be sent to the address below and must be received on or before the indicated closing date.

To: testsecretary@nzifsa.org.nz

Individuals are required to make payment via their affiliated clubs. Clubs should make payment by direct credit to the NZIFSA Bank account, ANZ Bank 010806-0048118-00. This is the preferred method of payment. Please put the club abbreviation (e.g. XISC) and SelComp entry as reference.

Closing Date: Thursday 22 May 2026

LATE ENTRIES

Acceptance of late entries will be at the discretion of the NZIFSA Board and payment for such entries must be accompanied by a penalty fee of 50% of the entry fee.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT INFORMATION

Competitors must submit for each program their planned program content (PPC) information (including musical selection) no later than the **close of entries**. Competitors must complete either the electronic form on the NZIFSA website or submit a paper copy. Changed PPC sheets must be handed in to the Accreditation desk at the time of registration for the information of the Technical Panel. **Entries will not be accepted without a completed PPC, either hard copy or electronic.**

ENTRY FEES:

Singles: Basic Novice to Intermediate Novice	\$90.00 /entry
Singles: Advanced Novice to Senior	\$130.00 /entry
Pairs: Basic Novice	\$130.00 /pair
Pairs: Advanced Novice to Senior	\$180.00 /pair
Ice Dance: Basic Novice to Senior	\$180.00 /couple
Synchronized: Basic Novice, Advanced Novice, Mixed Age (to a maximum of \$420)	\$35.00 /team member (to a maximum of \$420)
Synchronized: Junior and Senior	\$600.00 /team

All above fees are GST inclusive

DOOR ENTRY: Details will be provided at a later date

VIDEOING

The 2026 Selection Competition may be recorded in part or in its entirety by agents appointed by the NZIFSA or the Organising Committee. These recordings may be live-streamed and/or may then be made available for purchase. Details of any such recording arrangements will be made available at a later date.

The New Zealand Ice Figure Skating Association retains the rights for the recording of the event. Spectators may use video equipment to record portions of the event for their private use only after obtaining permission from the NZIFSA. Video permit forms will be made available at a later date.

GENERAL REGULATIONS:

The 2026 Selection Competition will be conducted in accordance with the 2024 ISU Regulations and current ISU Communications for Figure, Dance and Synchronized, and in accordance with the latest issue of the NZIFSA Rules & Regulations. All grades will be judged using the ISU Judging System.

MUSIC: All competitors shall provide music in the format requested by the organizing committee (this information is to be circulated at a later date). This must contain only one track and must be marked as follows:

Competitors Name
 Competition Section (e.g. Junior Women)
 Programme Identification (e.g. Short Programme)
 Exact running time of music (not skating time)

TECHNICAL DATA:

All Competition events and Official Practices will take place at Alpine Ice Sports Centre, an indoor, artificial rink with an ice surface of **60m x 30m** metres.

ELIGIBILITY:

Refer to the following Rules from the 2026 NZIFSA Rules & Regulations:

SINGLES, PAIRS, ICE DANCE	Rules 202, 206, 224, 225
and SYNCHRONISED	Rules 202, 206, 224, 603

Specifically note the following eligibility requirements:

SINGLES

NOTE: In Basic Novice to Advanced Novice grades, separate titles for Under 12, Boys and Girls will be competed for. All other Singles grades shall have separate titles for Women and Men.

BASIC NOVICE Competition 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 fourteen years before the 1st July 2026.

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE Competition 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 not reached the age of sixteen years before the 1st July 2026.

ADVANCED NOVICE Competition 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 reached the age of ten but not sixteen years before the 1st July 2026.

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

- iii. 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.
- iv. have reached the age of thirteen but not nineteen years before the 1st July 2026.

SENIOR Competition 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 reached the age of seventeen years before the 1st July 2026.

PAIR SKATING

BASIC NOVICE Competition 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 not reached the age of fourteen years before the 1st July 2026.

ADVANCED NOVICE Competition 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 reached the age of ten but not sixteen (eighteen for men) years before the 1st July 2026.

JUNIOR Competition 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 reached the age of thirteen but not nineteen (twenty-one for men) years before the 1st July 2026.

SENIOR Competition 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 reached the age of seventeen years before the 1st July 2026.

ICE DANCE

BASIC NOVICE Competition for Ice Dance – Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Pattern Dance and Test 1 (Inter Bronze) Free Dance at the close of entries and have not reached the age of fourteen years before the 1st July 2026.

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE Competition for Ice Dance - Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Pattern Dance and Test 2 (Bronze) Free Dance at the close of entries and have not reached the age of sixteen years before the 1st July 2026.

ADVANCED NOVICE Competition for Ice Dance - Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 4 (Inter Silver) Pattern Dance and Test 3 (Inter Silver) Free Dance or have passed the Novice Competitive Dance test at the close of entries and have reached the age of ten but not sixteen (eighteen for men) years before the 1st July 2026.

JUNIOR Competition for Ice Dance - Both skaters must hold a minimum of Test 5 (Silver) Pattern Dance and Test 4 (Silver) Free Dance (or Bronze Free Dance attained prior to 2020) or have passed the Junior Competitive Dance test at the close of entries and have reached the age of thirteen but not nineteen (twenty-one for men) years before the 1st July 2026.

SENIOR Competition for Ice Dance – Both skaters must have a minimum of Test 6 (Inter Gold) Pattern Dance and Test 5 (Inter Gold) Free Dance (or Silver Free Dance attained prior to 2020) or have passed the Senior Competitive Dance test at the close of entries and have reached the age of seventeen years before the 1st July 2026.

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

BASIC NOVICE - A team of 9 to 16 skaters. All skaters must have reached the age of ten but not sixteen years before the 1st July 2026. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 0 (Elementary) Stroking or Test 0 (Elementary) Pattern Dance at the close of entries. Only 25% of skaters on the team may hold tests higher than Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking or Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Pattern Dance.

MIXED AGE - 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) Pattern Dance at the close of entries.

ADVANCED NOVICE – A team of 12 to 16 skaters. All skaters must have reached the age of ten but not sixteen years before the 1st July 2026. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 1 (Preliminary) Stroking or Test 1 (Preliminary) Pattern Dance at the close of entries.

JUNIOR - A team of 12 to 16 skaters. All skaters must have reached the age of thirteen but not have reached the age of nineteen before the 1st of July 2026. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Stroking or Test 2 (Inter Bronze) Pattern Dance at the close of entries.

SENIOR - A team of 12 to 16 skaters. All skaters must have reached the age of seventeen before the 1st of July 2026. All skaters on the team must hold a minimum of Test 3 (Bronze) Stroking or Test 3 (Bronze) 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. Alternates are not included for the purpose of calculating team composition percentages.

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

PROGRAMME TIMING:

For singles, pairs, synchronized skating, and ice dance, the programme timing starts from the moment the skater(s) begin to move or skate until arriving at a complete stop at the end of the programme.

REQUIREMENTS

SINGLES

SHORT PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

ADVANCED NOVICE, JUNIOR and SENIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior respectively. Under 12 age categories shall use the ISU Requirements for Girls.

FREE SKATE PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

SENIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Senior.

JUNIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Junior.

ADVANCED NOVICE

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Advanced Novice. Advanced Novice Under 12 shall use the ISU Requirements for Advanced Novice Girls.

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Intermediate Novice.

BASIC NOVICE

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Basic Novice.

PAIR SKATING:**PAIR SKATING SHORT PROGRAMME**

SENIOR Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Senior.

JUNIOR Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Junior.

ADVANCED NOVICE Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Advanced Novice.

PAIR SKATING FREE PROGRAMME

SENIOR Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Senior.

JUNIOR Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Junior.

ADVANCED NOVICE Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Advanced Novice.

BASIC NOVICE Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Basic Novice.

ICE DANCE**PATTERN DANCES**

SENIOR not required

JUNIOR not required

ADVANCED NOVICE As per Advanced Novice requirements published in ISU Communications.

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE As per Intermediate Novice requirements published in ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE As per Basic Novice requirements published in ISU Communications. The dances drawn will be advised at the time of the starting order draw.

RHYTHM DANCE

Senior & Junior Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Senior and Junior respectively.

BASIC NOVICE, INTERMEDIATE NOVICE and ADVANCED NOVICE:

Not required

FREE DANCE

SENIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Senior.

JUNIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications for Junior.

ADVANCED NOVICE:

As per current requirements for Advanced Novice as published in ISU Communications.

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE:

As per current requirements for Intermediate Novice as published in ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE:

As per current requirements for Basic Novice as published in ISU Communications.

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

MUSIC

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

WARM UP

Short & Free Skating Programme – As per current ISU Rules

SHORT PROGRAMMES for Junior and Senior grades only:

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU communications for Junior and Senior respectively.

FREE SKATE PROGRAMMES for all grades:

BASIC NOVICE

As per current requirements for Basic Novice as published in ISU Communications.

MIXED AGE

As per current requirements for Advanced Novice as published in ISU Communications.

ADVANCED NOVICE

As per current requirements for Advanced Novice as published in ISU Communications.

JUNIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU communications for Junior.

SENIOR

Requirements shall be as per current ISU Regulations and relevant ISU communications for Senior.

EVENT WARM-UP GROUPS

SINGLES & PAIRS: As per NZIFSA Rules 213.6 & 213.7.

Junior & Senior	6 minute warm-up with general music
Intermediate/Advanced Novice FS	5 minute warm-up with general music
Basic Novice FS & Advanced Novice SP	4 minute warm-up with general music

ICE DANCE: As per NZIFSA Rules 213.6 & 213.7.

Pattern Dance: 3 minutes in duration (30 seconds without music and 2 minutes 30 seconds with music)

Rhythm and Free Dances: Senior & Junior - 5 minutes in duration. All other grades 3 minutes.