



Technical Pattern Skills

At the 2012 ISA AGM, the introduction of the Technical Pattern Skills testing stream was passed. The following information is a summary of how the introduction of this new testing stream will affect skaters' eligibility for competition levels.

As at the 1st May 2012, skaters will now take the Technical Pattern Skills test, the old pattern tests for Elementary and Pre-Primary have been retired.

The grandfather clause for the automatic recognition of previous level singles tests undertaken has been extended to the 1st July 2012.

Previous Singles Test equivalences that will be granted on the 1st July are detailed below:

Singles Test Level as at 1st July Technical Pattern Skills Test automatically granted

Elementary <u>Pattern Test</u>	Elementary Pattern Skills Test
Pre-Primary <u>Pattern Test</u>	Pre-Primary Pattern Skills Test
Primary Singles Test	Primary Pattern Skills Test
Novice Singles Test	Novice Pattern Skills Test
Junior Singles Test	Junior Pattern Skills Test
Senior Singles Test	Senior Pattern Skills Test

After the 1st July 2012, skaters will need to have passed both the Singles Test and the Pattern Skills Test to skate in a category, for example:

To skate Novice Singles, a skater will require both the Novice Singles Test and at a minimum the Novice Pattern Skills Test.

Skaters can test higher with their Pattern Skills Test if they desire and still compete at a lower level, for example:

A skater in Primary requires their Primary Singles Test, but at a minimum only their Primary Pattern Skills Test, they can have their Senior Pattern Skills test and still compete in Primary.

Skaters can take the free skate tests or Pattern Skills Test in any order; it is not a requirement to take the Pattern Skills Test first.

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