



Ice Skating Australia Incorporated

Affiliated to the International Skating Union

ISA Benchmark Event Policy

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1 Purpose of the Policy

This Policy establishes the criteria for the conduct of ISA Benchmark Events for the 2016/2017 International Skating Season. These competitions will provide the opportunity for athletes to achieve or improve their Technical Element Scores in the season.

2 Application of Policy

This policy applies to all eligible Australian Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance athletes in Basic Novice, Basic Novice A, Basic Novice B, Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior.

In order to be considered for inclusion as an ISA Benchmark Event, the event will need to meet the following requirements:

- The Judging/technical panels must comprise of:
 - **Singles/ Pairs/ Ice Dance**
 - Judging and Technical panel must comprise of officials listed on the ISA National Judging Panels or ISA National Technical Panel Document available on the ISA website.
 - Judging and Technical panel officials must have the appropriate qualifications to officiate the division
 - IJS Video replay system must be available to the technical panel
- Additional Requirements:
 - **Singles**
 - Minimum of 5 judges
 - Judging panel - Minimum of 1 International / ISU qualified, 2 National Senior level Judge and the rest of the panel must be at least Senior State level
 - Technical panel - Minimum of 1 International / ISU qualified official and two National Senior level

- **Pairs**
 - Minimum of 5 judges
 - Judging panel - Minimum of 1 International / ISU qualified judge, 2 National Senior level Judge and the rest of the panel must be at least Senior State level
 - Technical panel - Minimum of 2 persons must be not less than National Senior level and the third member at least Senior State level.

- **Ice Dance**
 - Minimum of 3 judges
 - Judging panel - Minimum of 1 International / ISU qualified judge and 2 National Senior level Judges
 - Technical panel - Minimum of 2 persons must be not less than National Senior level and the third member at least Senior State level.

- Competition convenors must submit in writing to the Judging/ Officials OD no less than 7 days prior to the commencement of the event, the proposed list of officials for verification and approval.
- The organising committee (club and/or State associations) are responsible for any relevant interstate judge / technical panel travel expenses.

- States/ Clubs are to request inclusion of their Events for the next season by February 15 each year.

Change History

Version	Approval Date	Change
3.0	1 January 2017	Updated Policy for 2017
2.0	30 April 2016	Updated Policy for 2016/ 2017 season
1.0	5 January 2014	Updated policy for 2015/ 2016 season