



APSA

Australian Professional
Skaters' Association

PERFORMANCE PATHWAY COACHING ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

This document outlines the performance requirements for the Performance Pathway Accreditation levels.

Submissions for consideration will be assessed by the APSA Performance Pathway sub committee.

Submissions must be made through the **Performance Pathway Application form**: <https://form.jotform.com/213515532167856>

REQUIREMENTS SINGLES PAIRS AND DANCE. ALL submissions will be checked and verified by the APSA Performance pathway sub committee.

MUST have been the **PRIMARY** coach for a period of 12 months prior to the events OR in the case of a new team (pairs,dance,synch) been the PRIMARY coach for the season leading into the event, *working with the athletes 75% of the time* and is in charge of planning and development of the athletes.

Where 2 coaches hold equal responsibility for the planning and development of the athletes each coach **MUST** be working with the athletes at least 45% of the time and include documentation outlining their individual roles and responsibilities and coaching time per week.

In the case an athlete(s) changes coaches during the season the previous coach will receive credit for the following 12 months **UNLESS** the new coach can show a significant improvement in the skater during their time with them for that season.

ISA Int'l Benchmark Score: The sub committee have considered the ISA Benchmark scores and determined the scores published as of the 2021 season will be used retrospectively to ensure equality. In the case the SOV or required elements have drastically changed the TES of the individual skater/team will be reassessed using the current SOV and with consideration to the required elements. *Results of athletes who have represented other ISU members must have achieved the ISA Benchmark score at a National or ISU event that meets the criteria to achieve the ISA Benchmark score.*

NOTE: Due to the continuing development of the sport, criteria for future assessments may change at the total discretion of APSA.

Prior to the introduction of the ISU Championship TES scores the Sub committee will evaluate each athlete on a case by case basis taking into consideration the standard of the sport Internationally at that time.

Advanced Performance (3P)	Senior (4)	High Performance (5)	Elite (6)	Master (7)
2 DIFF skaters/teams who achieve the ISA Int'l Benchmark score	2 DIFF skaters/teams who achieve the ISA Int'l Benchmark score AND successfully competed the ISU requirements for the specified division	2 DIFF skaters/teams who achieve the ISA Int'l Benchmark score AND successfully competed ISU requirements for the specified division	2 DIFF skaters/teams at ISU World Junior Championships / 4 Continents / ISU Senior Grand Prix Events.	2 DIFF skaters/teams at the ISU World Championships OR a skater at the WOG AND multiple World Championships
Basic Novice to Senior	Advanced Novice to Senior	Jnr Int'l, Senior National / Int'l	Junior and / or Senior	Senior
Achieved at an ISA Benchmark event	Achieved at an ISA benchmark event / AFSC / ISU Int'l	Achieved at the AFSC or ISU Int'l event.		
		Jnr skaters: Women: 1 clean triple Men: 2 diff clean triples	Jnr skaters: Women: 2 diff clean triple jumps Men: 3 diff clean triples Achieved at an ISU Int'l event	
		Snr skaters: Women: 2 diff triples clean Men: 3 diff triples clean	Consideration for YWOG may be given IF the skater earns the spot for Australia.	
Knowledge to develop athletes from the club/state level to Nationals.	Thorough knowledge of developing skaters from National to Int'l pathway.	Have the technical skills and knowledge to coach ISU Jnr and Snr required elements. Have sustained experience in successfully coaching Snr National and Jnr/Snr Int'l skaters over a sustained period of time (7years)	Must have considerable experience in successfully coaching elite athletes over a sustained period of time (10years) with recognition as an authority in their discipline at the National or Int'l level.	Must have substantial experience in successfully coaching elite athletes over an enduring period of time (15 years) with standing and recognition as an authority in their discipline Internationally.

REQUIREMENTS SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

MUST have been the **PRIMARY** coach for a period of 12 months prior to the events OR in the case of a new team (pairs,dance,synch) been the PRIMARY coach for the season leading into the event, *working with the athletes 75% of the time* and is in charge of planning and development of the athletes.

Where 2 coaches hold equal responsibility for the planning and development of the athletes each coach **MUST** be working with the athletes at least 45% of the time and include documentation outlining their individual roles and responsibilities and coaching time per week.

In the case an athlete(s) changes coaches during the season the previous coach will receive credit for the following 12 months UNLESS the new coach can show a significant improvement in the team during their time with them for that season.

ISA Int'l Benchmark Score: The sub committee have considered the ISA Benchmark scores and determined the scores published as of 2021 will be used retrospectively to ensure equality. In the case the SOV has drastically changed the TES of the individual skater/team will be reassessed using the current SOV. In the case a coach has been teaching in another country, the athletes must have achieved the ISA Benchmark score at a National event with Technical and Judging panels that meet the same criteria as the ISA Benchmark events or at an ISU International event.

Advanced Performance (3P)	Senior (4)	High Performance (5)	Elite (6)	Master (7)
Teams at 3 Diff AFSC who achieve the ISA Int'l Benchmark Score	Teams at 3 Diff AFSC who achieve the ISA Int'l Benchmark Score	Teams at multiple (4) ISU International competitions.	Teams at multiple (4) ISU World Jnr Championships / World Junior Challenge Cup n/ world Championships.	Teams at multiple (4) ISU World Championships.
Basic Novice to Senior	Advanced Novice to Senior	Junior / Senior	Junior / Senior	Senior
Achieved at an ISA Benchmark event / AFSC	Achieved at an ISA benchmark event / AFSC / ISU Int'l	Achieved the ISA Int'l benchmark score at an ISU Int'l competition.	Attained at least one (1) top 75% finish at the event.	Attained at least one (1) top 75% finish at an ISU World Championship.
Knowledge to develop Teams from the club/state level to Nationals.	Thorough knowledge of developing Teams from National to Int'l pathway.	Have the technical skills and knowledge to coach ISU Jnr and Snr required elements and have sustained experience in successfully coaching at this level over a sustained period of time (7years)	Must have considerable experience in successfully coaching elite Teams over a sustained period of time (10years) with recognition as an authority in their discipline at the National or Int'l level	Must have substantial experience in successfully coaching elite Teams over an enduring period of time (15 years) with standing and recognition as an authority in their discipline Internationally.

INTERNATIONAL BENCHMARK SCORES REQUIRED

(Note: these may be amended at the total discretion of APSA)

BASIC NOVICE		INT. NOVICE		ADV NOVICE		JUNIOR		SENIOR		
	SP/PD	LP/FD	SP/PD	LP/FD	SP/PD	LP/FD	SP/RD	LP/FD	SP/RD	LP/FD
Mens	N/A	13	N/A	14	14	22	18	28	20	36
Womens	N/A	13	N/A	14	14	19	16	23	18	30
Pairs	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	8	13	13	23	16	28
Dance	9	12	10	13	13	16	14	18	16	21

FOR THE PERIOD 2006 TO 2020 (inclusive) for Basic Novice /Jnr / Snr thereafter as per published Benchmark Scores N.B in 2009 scores attained considerably higher but this is only 1 season and teams need to achieve these scores over multiple seasons.
Prior to 2005, to be assessed case by case due to the significant changes to the discipline.

Sync	N/A	13	N/A	N/A	N/A	20	13	24	17	30
					2007-2014	16				
					Prior to 2007					