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SQUAD SELECTION POLICY For 2020/2021

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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The objective of the Singapore Ice Skating Association (SISA) Squad Selection Policy is to ensure the best possible athletes are selected to represent Singapore internationally.
- 1.2 This Policy applies to eligible figure skating athletes, and members of SISA, seeking selection into the National or National Development Squad and in consideration of the skater's selection and participation in ISU Events, International and Regional Competitions.
- 1.3 This Policy is for the current international skating season and remains in force until amended or revoked by the SISA Executive Committee.
- 1.4 The following definitions apply throughout this policy:

Eligible	Age Eligibility ISU Rule 108 and meet all ISU and SISA residency requirements (ISU Communication 2030) to be able to represent Singapore.
2019/2020 Season	The ISU Skating Season that commenced on the 1 st July 2019 and concluded on the 30 th June 2020.
2020/2021 Season	The ISU Skating Season that commences on 1 st July 2020 and concludes on the 30 th June 2021.
SISA National Championships	2019 SISA National Championships
ISU Events	ISU Championships ISU Junior Grand Prix
International Competitions	All other competitions as listed in the annual ISU Communication published by the ISU as defined in ISU Rule 107.4 Interclub competitions with participants from at least two members Rule 107.15 (e.g. Asian Junior Skating Challenge events) may be included, following an evaluation on the judge and technical panel qualifications by the SISA Selection Panel following the competition.
2020/2021 SISA Nominated Qualifying events	To be published accordingly.
SISA Minimum Technical Element Scores (TES)	The minimum standard for Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice, Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior. No change from 2019/2020 due to COVID-19 situation.
Senior Equalized Score	A Senior Free Skate Technical Element Score, less the value for the Choreographic Sequence
SISA Selection Panel	A panel comprising of up to five, but no less than 3 National selectors as appointed by SISA Executive Committee.
Tiering System	Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 National Championships is cancelled, thus there are no selection competitions relevant for the 2020/2021 selection. The tiering system created shall formulise the 2020/2021 squad.
SISA Mandated Events	Training (on & off ice), Events and Competitions held in Singapore.

2 GUIDELINES

- 2.1 The SISA Executive Committee (EXCO) has overall and final responsibility for all performance criteria and individual selection decisions.
- 2.2 The SISA EXCO may appoint, at its discretion, a panel of up to five but no less than three National Selectors (SISA Selection Panel) whose task will be to consider athlete/s based on the performance criteria outlined below for the SISA International / Development Squad.
- 2.3 The SISA 2020/2021 Squad will be published and subsequently updated following SISA Nominated Benchmark event/s.

3 QUALIFICATION

- 3.1 In order to be included in the SISA International or Development Squad, each athlete must:
 - i. Be an individual member of SISA
 - ii. Competed in the 2019 SISA National Championships
 - iii. Adhere to division Age Limits - ISU Rule 108
 - iv. Adhere to Citizenship/Residence requirements and Clearance Procedure ISU Communication 2030 – ‘Update to Rule 109’
 - v. Adhere to ISU Eligibility (ISU Rule 102, ISU Rule 103)
- 3.2 Athletes will be included in the SISA International or Development Squad when they have:
 - i. Fulfill all of Section 3.1(i) to (v) (above)
 - ii. Achieve the SISA Minimum Technical Element Scores (Short and Free) at either of the following:
 - 2019 SISA National Championships
 - 2019/2020 ISU International Events & SISA Sanctioned Events
 - via the identified video recorded review period
 - 2020/2021 ISU International Events
 - 2020/2021 SISA Nominated Qualifying events

International Squad		<u>SHORT</u>	<u>FREE</u>
SENIOR DIVISION	Ladies	14.08	26.44
	Men	16.49	28.70
JUNIOR DIVISION OR SENIOR EQUALISED SCORE IN SENIOR DIVISION	Ladies	12.90	20.44
	Men	13.47	27.70
ADVANCED NOVICE DIVISION	Ladies	11.07	15.48
	Men	11.07	16.25
INTERMEDIATE NOVICE DIVISION	Ladies/Men		12.79
BASIC NOVICE DIVISION	Ladies/Men		11.92

Development Squad		<u>SHORT</u>	<u>FREE</u>
SENIOR DIVISION	Ladies	12.17	20.92
	Men	12.78	22.25
JUNIOR DIVISION OR SENIOR EQUALISED SCORE IN SENIOR DIVISION	Ladies	10.85	16.02
	Men	12.21	17.01
ADVANCED NOVICE DIVISION	Ladies	9.63	13.54
	Men	10.03	13.89
INTERMEDIATE NOVICE DIVISION	Ladies/Men		9.87
BASIC NOVICE DIVISION	Ladies/Men		9.0

3.3 The athletes will then be tiered as follows:

Tiering System	Status (from 2019/2020 season)	Qualification into 2020/2021 season*
1	International and Development Squad members	Automatic upon invitation
2	Squad members who have been tested and passed the test and plan to start competing in the last tested category	Require video recorded review [^] of new category
3	Development Squad members who wish to be upgraded into the International Squad	Require video recorded review [^]
4	Non-squad skaters who have competed in the 2019 Nationals, who have been tested and passed the test (Basic Novice and upwards) after March 2019	Require video recorded review [^]
5	Non-squad skaters who have competed in the 2019 Nationals (Advance Novice and upwards)	Require video recorded review [^]

*And upon accepting and submission of the squad agreement and the necessary forms

[^] The first video recorded review shall commence from November 2020. Subject to change.

3.4 By application only

- i. Skaters who fall under Tier 2 – 5 shall submit the Squad Selection Application Form (Annex A) within 2-weeks from the release of this policy or subsequent/related notifications.
- ii. Skaters who do not fulfil the above criteria but competed in the 2019 Nationals (Basic Novice up) may also submit Annex A with their intention to be in the squad clearly listed.

4 VIDEO RECORDED REVIEW REQUIREMENTS AND TIMELINE

4.1 Requirements

- i. Program(s) must be recorded in one take
- ii. No editing allowed
- iii. Recording must be taken within the stipulated period
- iv. Footage must be clear – visual and audio (music)

4.2 Timeline

- i. Results will be provided 4-weeks after the submission deadline.
- ii. Late submissions will not be considered.
- iii. Submissions not fulfilling 4.1 will be rejected and will be given one chance to retake and resubmit within the deadline.

5 ATHLETE RESPONSIBILITIES

- 5.1 In order to confirm and maintain his/her selection in the National and National Development Squad, each athlete must:
 - (a) Sign and comply with SISA's Athlete Agreement
 - (b) Abide by the Statement of Anti-Doping of Singapore
 - (c) Complete the ISU Declaration Form (as per ISU rule 131)
 - (d) Submit an annual training and competition plan (YPI) including key performance indicators (KPIs) in consultation with your coach.
 - (e) Maintain a level of fitness commensurate with that of an elite athlete (i.e. at least commit to 80% of training per week as per indication in the YPI). If an athlete has a loss of fitness, form or suffers an injury or illness that prevents the athlete from competing or training for extended periods of time, he/she must notify the SISA Selection Panel within 48 hours of being diagnosed. The SISA Selection Panel also has the discretion if an athlete's entry should be removed for any relevant events.
- 5.2 If an athlete is unable to attend any assigned competitions, he/she must write in to the SISA Executive Committee with documentary evidence of his/her reasons (for e.g. medical certificate) to the SISA Selection Panel in order to be considered for future ISU competitions and/or to be retained on the squad.
- 5.3 If an athlete is unable to comply with the SISA Mandated and/or Assigned Events, it must only be due to the Exceptional Circumstances in order to be retained in the squad.
- 5.4 If a selected athlete, through his/her misconduct brings SISA or the sport of skating into disrepute, he/she may be removed from the International and Development Squad by the SISA Selection Panel in consultation with the SISA EXCO.

6 SELECTION APPEAL PROCEDURE

- 6.1 For all appeals regarding an athletes' inclusion in the SISA International or Development Squad (Figure Skating), an official appeal must be made in writing and addressed to the President, Singapore Ice Skating Association no more than 3 days following the announcement. Failing which no appeal will be entertained.
- 6.2 The grounds on which an appeal can be made to SISA are based on:
- i. The relevant policy has not been properly followed and/or implemented; and/or
 - ii. The decision was affected by actual bias.

REFERENCES

www.isu.org

ISU Rule 102 – 'Eligibility'

ISU Rule 103 – 'Reinstatement as an Eligible person'

ISU Rule 108 – 'Age Limits'

ISU Communication 2030 – 'Update to Rule 109 on Citizenship/Residence requirements and Clearance Procedure

ISU Rule 131 – Declaration

SISA Declaration Exceptional Circumstance and Medical Notification and Clearance Policy Current and Potential Team Members

(<https://sisa.org.sg/images/ConstitutionPolicies/2019/Medical2019.pdf>)

Annex A

**2020/2021 SQUAD SELECTION
Application Form**

FAMILY NAME:		FIRST NAME:		DATE OF BIRTH:	
					DAY MONTH YEAR

Checklist

- Be an individual member of SISA
- Competed in the 2019 SISA National Championships
- Adhere to division Age Limits - ISU Rule 108
- Adhere to Citizenship/Residence requirements and Clearance Procedure ISU Communication 2030 – 'Update to Rule 109'
- Adhere to ISU Eligibility (ISU Rule 102, ISU Rule 103)

Current status (select only ONE)

- Tier 2
- Tier 3
- Tier 4
- Tier 5
- Do not fall under any of the tiers. I would like to request to be considered in the squad. My intention to be selected is:

Achieved the SISA Performance Standard at (select only ONE and provide TES):

- 2019 SISA National Championships:
- 2019/2020 ISU Events, International Competition & SISA Sanctioned Events:
- 2020/2021 ISU Events, International Competition & SISA Sanctioned Events:
- 2020/2021 SISA Nominated Qualifying events:
- Not yet achieve the SISA Minimum Technical Element Scores, video recorded review required

Signature of Skater

Name & Signature of Parent/Guardian
(if athlete is under 18 years of age)

Date:

Date:

Note: All applications will be reviewed, and a decision will be made within 3 weeks of the deadline for submission of application to be considered for the video recorded review.