Interstate, National and International Competitions and Activities Policy and Procedure

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1. Purpose of the Policy

This policy outlines the roles, requirements, and expectations of FSAT Skaters and officials when entering Interstate, National and International Competitions and Activities.

2. Application of the Policy

This policy applies to skaters and officials intending on entering an interstate, national or international competition.

3. Policy Statement

3.1 Skater Eligibility

Skaters wanting to compete in an interstate competition, Australian Figure Skating Championships (AFSC) or Australian Adult Figure Skating Championships (AAFSC) or international competition must:

- be a full financial member of FSAT prior to the close of entries for the competition;
- be in good standing (including financially) with FSAT;
- competed at the most recent Tasmanian Figure Skating Championships (TFSC);
- complete the *Interstate, AFSC or AAFSC or International Competition Expression of Interest* form.

If no TFSC is held in a skating season, it will be at the discretion of the committee to permit skaters to enter any competition outside of Tasmania.

When competing at any competition, skaters and officials represent FSAT and figure skating in Tasmania and are expected to behave in accordance with ISA Codes of Conduct and demonstrate good sportsmanship with teammates and all competitors and officials.

3.2 Interstate Competitions

Interstate competitions refer to competitions that are held in other Australian States and/or Territories and hosted by an ISA Member. This includes Aussie Skate™ and ISA level competitions.

3.2.1 Procedure of Entering and Competing in an Interstate Competition

Skaters entering an interstate competition must advise FSAT by completing the *Interstate, AFSC or AAFSC or International Competition Expression of Interest* form prior to entering the competition. Entries must be in accordance with ISA By-Laws. Non-compliance with ISA By-Laws may mean FSAT will not give approval to the competition Local Organising Committee (LOC) for the skater to compete.

All skaters approved will be noted in the minutes at the next committee meeting. If the event is held before the next committee meeting, the committee may tentatively approve the skater's entry outside of a committee meeting.

Once approved the secretary will email the skater. The skater can then proceed with entering the competition.

The secretary will review the entry lists of the competition when available to review entries are correct.

Skaters must either own or borrow an FSAT Uniform (at least the official jacket) to wear at the competition, official practice and official events.

3.3 Australian Figure Skating Championships (AFSC) and Australian Adult Figure Skating Championships (AAFSC)

The AFSC is the premier event on the Australian ice skating calendar, showcasing the nation's top athletes in the sport. The event is managed by a LOC under Ice Skating Australia (ISA).

Skaters who are over 18 years of age and compete in Adult divisions may participate in the AAFSC.

Qualification for AFSC and AAFSC is determined by FSAT and ISA requirements.

3.3.1 AFSC & AAFSC Eligibility

Skaters wanting to compete in the AFSC or AAFSC must meet the following criteria:

- have competed in the division for the competitive year they wish to compete in at AFSC or AAFSC, including TFSC;
- have received the required Technical Element Score (TES) as per the relevant ISA Communication;
- only represent Tasmania at AFSC. If entering more than one event, the skater cannot represent any other ISA Member;
- own, or borrow, an FSAT Uniform (at least the official jacket) to wear at the competition.

3.3.2 Procedure for Skater Selection and Entering AFSC or AAFSC

The process for selecting skaters to compete at AFSC and AAFSC is as follows:

- The FSAT Committee will review all skaters who have fulfilled the AFSC or AAFSC requirements and select based on available entries per ISA Affiliated Member;
- If there are multiple entries in one division, FSAT's decision will be based on placings at the most recent TFSC;
- In the event that no TFSC is held, selection will be based on skaters achieving the required technical score at ISA Qualification events as listed in the ISA Calendar;
- If a skater has not competed at the most recent TFSC, they may put a request in writing for special consideration to compete at AFSC or AAFSC. In this situation the skater will be ranked below those that competed;
- Skaters must complete the *Interstate, AFSC or AAFSC or International Competition Expression of Interest* form to request to compete at AFSC or AAFSC at least seven (7) days prior to close of entries;
- Once the Tasmanian team has been selected, those skaters will be notified by email.

Skaters will be responsible for organising and paying their entry as per the LOC requirements.

3.4 International Competitions

International competitions are competitions conducted outside of Australia or in any competition in Australia that is hosted by an ISU Member Federation.

3.4.1 International Competition Eligibility

Skaters wanting to compete at an international competition must meet the following criteria:

- must have fulfilled all requirements to be eligible as per ISA By-Laws, Policies and Communications;
- maintain a full Australian Passport and/or have ISA and where applicable ISU clearance to be an Australian representative;
- where applicable must be ISU age eligible for the nominated category and discipline.

3.4.2 Procedure for Entering an International Competition

Skaters intending on competing at an international event/competition must notify FSAT prior to submitting their entry by completing the *Interstate, AFSC or AAFSC or International Competition Expression of Interest* form.

Skaters must complete the relevant Expression of Interest as required by ISA (details are on the ISA website).

3.5 Procedure for ISA Tests conducted by Interstate Associations

Skaters intending on testing at session held by another ISA Member must:

- notify FSAT prior to submitting the test application, including the intended test level and date of the test;
- follow the ISA Member's test application procedure.

The secretary will confirm with the ISA Member of the skater's intention to test. After the test session, the secretary will confirm if the skater has passed/failed the test.

3.6 Aussie Skate Test Results from Interstate Testing

FSAT members have an obligation to advise FSAT of any Aussie Skate tests they undertake at an interstate rink. This includes:

- the test level passed;
- date of test;
- rink test undertaken at.

This should be done as soon as practicable after the test.

3.7 Attending Skating Camps/Seminars Held Interstate

If an FSAT member is planning on attending a skate camp/seminar held interstate, they are to advise FSAT prior to the commencement of the camp/seminar. Details of the location and date of the camp/seminar are to be provided.

3.8 Officials Expression of Interest

Officials intending to officiate at an interstate competition, AFSC, AAFSC or international competition must:

- be at least an associate member of FSAT prior to the close of entries for the competition;
- be in good standing (including financially) with FSAT;
- complete the *Interstate, AFSC or AAFSC or International Competition Expression of Interest* form prior to attending the competition.

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