



COMPETITION RULE CHANGES FOR 2021-2022 SEASON

Please make note of the following temporary rule change that will apply at National Competitions for the 2021-2022 season (Qualifier & Canadian Championships & Canadian Masters Championships):

All 13-15 athletes who are members of a team can take part in figures events

Currently, by rule, only up to 10 athletes can be registered as part of a team and enter the figures event. Because of current safety and training restrictions, some clubs may have more than 10 athletes as part of a team. This rule change allows all these athletes to take part in the figures event (even if they're not entered in any other routine event). Note that only 10 athletes can still be registered for the team event, but that this group can be changed from Qualifier to Nationals.

RATIONALE

Increase flexibility for clubs to manage athlete rosters, and facilitate participation.

International athletes can enter the solo or duet events at Qualifier as Exhibition routines

Currently, by rule, international athletes are not allowed to take part in the solo or duet events at Qualifier.

RATIONALE

Make the domestic calendar more welcoming for international athletes, and give increased opportunities for athletes to compete.

Masters athletes do not have to enter a Technical routine (solo, duet, trio or team) to be eligible to enter the corresponding Free routine at 2022 Masters Championships

RATIONALE

Having been kept out of the water for most of the past 2 years in some areas, Masters athletes deserve the flexibility to be able to enter only a routine (tech or free) if they want at the National Championships.

Results will be produced separately for technical and free events, and no combined results will be used.

INFORMATION

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