

Artistic Skating Victoria Inc

2015 VICTORIAN OPEN & STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Members from other Federations are welcome

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VICTORIAN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Nominations

- 1.1. All competitors nominating for the State Championships must be competitive members of Skate Australia by the closing date of nominations.
 Member from other Federations are also welcome
- 1.2. All competitors must be members of an Artistic Skating Victoria (ASVI)/SA registered Club or be an unattached member of Skate Australia (non-Victorian skaters exempted).
- 1.3. Club members must nominate through their Club on the nomination forms provided.
- 1.4. A skater who changes clubs between close of nominations and the championships will skate under the name of the club in which they were a member at the close of nominations.
- 1.5. Skaters must nominate in grades in accordance with AAC 2015 National & State approved requirements.
- 1.6. If skaters would like to be considered for Nationals selection they must have attained the proficiency level relative to their nominated event prior to nominating in the Victorian Championship. Skaters who do not wish to skate at Nationals do not require the proficiency level to skate at the Victorian State Championships – Victorian skaters only
- 1.7. Nominations formats:
 - 1.7.1. For Victorian registered skaters the nominations must be through their Club's electronic Nomination form.
 - 1.7.2. For non-Victorian registered skaters the nominations must be made using the Victorian Championships 2015 Nomination Form. Skaters in this category should contact the Victorian Artistic Skating Committee Chairperson for further details or obtain the blank nomination form from the website at ... <http://artsk8vic.angelfire.com>

2. Fees:

2.1. Registration Fees

2.1.1. Championship Grade (inclusive of GST):

- 2.1.1.1. \$100.00 per Artistic entrant (First skater in family)
- 2.1.1.2. \$80.00 per Artistic entrant (Second skater in family)
- 2.1.1.3. \$70.00 for a skater only participating in a Precision event.

2.2. Nomination Fees

- 2.2.1. Fee is \$30.00 per event per skater for all disciplines.

2.3. Capping of fees (inclusive of GST):

- 2.3.1. Family: \$300

2.3.2. Single Skaters: \$220

2.4. The registration and nomination fee is to be paid by the Clubs to the “Artistic Skating Victoria Inc” account using direct debit or direct deposit. Cash and other forms of payment are not acceptable.

2.4.1. Bank Account details

Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 063 616

Account: 1045 1873

2.5. The Club’s total registration and nomination fees amount for all skaters is to be fully paid no later than *Friday 24th April 2015*. Note: nomination closure date is Thursday April 9th, 2015.

3. Closing Date of Nominations

3.1. Closure of Nominations:

3.1.1. All nominations must be received via the electronic nomination form

3.1.2. Each Club/State must complete and submit their Nominations List in accordance with standard practice. The electronic nominations sent by the club must reach the Artistic Skating Committee Chairperson no later than Thursday April 9th, 2015.

3.1.3. The email address for the Artistic Skating Committee Chairperson is artvicvp@hotmail.com

3.2. Late entries will only be accepted after being specifically negotiated with the Artistic Skating Committee. Late entries accepted may incur an administration fee of \$50.00

3.3. Replacements will be allowed for Precision only before *Friday April 24th, 2015*. A replacement skater must be a current competitive member of ASVI/SA.

3.4. No refunds will be issued on withdrawals.

4. Spectator Charges

4.1.1. No Artistic session will incur a spectator entrance fee.

5. Draws

5.1. Figure Draw Non-International:

- 5.1.1. The draw for all non-international grade Figure Groups and Starting Foot will be completed by two current CAOC officials who do not have a conflict of interest regarding figures.
- 5.1.2. The draw for all non-international grade Figure Groups and Starting Foot will be made and posted no later than 8pm on Friday April 3rd, 2015.

5.2. Figure Draw Junior International:

- 5.2.1. The Group to be skated by Junior International Grades will be drawn with above on Friday April 3, 2015. The draw for the Starting Foot will be posted no later than 8pm on Friday April 24th, 2015.

5.3. Figure Draw Senior International:

- 5.3.1. The Group and Starting Foot for Senior International Grades will be drawn and posted at the same time as the Junior International Grades' Starting Foot draw, no later than 8pm on Friday April 24th, 2015.

6. Withdrawals

- 6.1. Club Artistic Representatives must give the Artistic Skating Victoria Inc Committee chairperson notice of any withdrawals as soon as possible, once known.
- 6.2. A skater who is unable to skate in the Championships for any reason may follow the guidelines of Sec 2424 should they wish to qualify for Victorian team selection.

7. Reporting to Marshals

- 7.1. Skaters should be in the Championship Venue and ready to skate their event at least one (1) hour before the published schedule time in the Program of Events.
- 7.2. Designated marshalling areas are to be kept clear. Accredited coaches and authorized persons registered with Skate Victoria will be the only persons permitted in that area besides skaters. Coaches-in-training are permitted in the marshalling areas with their Supervisor.
- 7.3. While in the marshalling area, skaters, coaches and other authorised persons will be under the direction of the Championship Director or nominee. No skater will leave the marshalling area without the permission of the marshal. Failure to comply with these rules may lead to disqualification for that skater from the event or from the marshal area for other non-compliant persons.
- 7.4. Skaters are to report to the Marshal in the marshal area when their event number is posted by the marshals.
- 7.5. When reporting to the Marshal skaters should wear their skating outfits and their skates must be with them but not necessarily on their feet.
- 7.6. Anyone who does not present themselves as advised above may be disqualified by the Championship Director.

7.7. Artistic Skating Victoria Committee requirements in relation to scrutineering of skates prior to marshalling will apply at the State Championships.

8. Entrance to and Exit from the Rink Floor

8.1. Skaters must use the way indicated by the Marshal on duty to enter and leave the floor.

9. Warm Ups

9.1. Warm ups will be as designated in the Program of Events which will contain only event warm-ups. Where numbers dictate there will be skater group warm ups within an event.

9.2. Where there are a small number of skaters in adjacent events, the events' warm ups may be combined.

9.3. The Championship Director has the right to alter designated warm ups as necessary. This extends to include permitting a general warm up, in which skaters may not perform their routine, not perform jumps or spins and must skate in an anti-clockwise direction.

9.4. An announcement will be made on the instruction of the Championship Director when there are changes to the times designated in the Program of Events.

9.5. A general warm-up will be supervised by a designated official.

9.6. During warm-up skating on the rink the skating attire must be the correct attire the skater would wear for the event when skating to be judged. In addition they may opt to wear additional clothing as below:

9.6.1. Given the temperature of the venue for the Victorian Championships a skater may wear an approved tracksuit (ie current Club or State) or appropriate warm top or equivalent and discrete leg coverings to remain warm.

9.6.2. The Championship Director will be the sole judge of what constitutes appropriate, non-dangerous or discrete warm covering and reserves the right to request a skater to remove any additional clothing to their correct attire. Should the skater want to remain on the rink the skater must comply or else the skater must exit the rink.

9.6.3. Skaters should be alert to any wording, symbols or graphics on their additional clothing to ensure it is appropriate for public display when skating. Scarfs, glued items, loose beading, loose clothing etc may be considered as dangerous so attention in this area is appreciated.

10. Announcements

10.1. Announcements will be made only by the official announcers or the Championship Director or nominee.

10.2. Only the Championship Director or nominee is authorized to remove official notices, which remain the property of the Artistic Skating Committee.

11. Results

- 11.1. Results will be announced and posted on the notice board.
- 11.2. Only the Championship Director or nominee is authorised to remove official results and these remain the property of the Artistic Skating Committee.

12. Medals

- 12.1. Awards will be made to the 1st, 2nd or 3rd placed skaters and teams.
- 12.2. Where a non-Victorian registered skater is placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd, there will be two (2) medal presentations. The first will be designated as the Victorian Open Championship Award and the second the Victorian Championship Award.
- 12.3. Victorian skaters who win a Victorian Open Championship medal must return this medal before presentation of the Victorian Championship medal.
- 12.4. Medals will be awarded to each member of a Precision team placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd.

13. Presentations

- 13.1. All presentations will be made at the end of each Session.
- 13.2. Skaters should assemble in the designated area and be ready for presentations.
- 13.3. Skaters receiving medals must be in full competition outfits, including wearing skates.
- 13.4. Skaters must be at the presentation ceremony in order to receive their medal. If a skater must leave prior to the ceremony they must notify the Championship Director. Where possible this ceremony will be rescheduled. The Championship Director retains the right to withhold a medal from a skater who is not present at the awards ceremony and does not provide sufficient reason for non-attendance. Withholding medals does not alter the placing of skaters.

14. Rules

- 14.1. Electronic copies of all the appropriate Rules and Regulations will be kept by the Championship Director.
- 14.2. No foreign substance may be introduced onto the skating wheels or skating surface unless otherwise authorized by the Championship Director.

15. Music for Freedance, Original Set Pattern Dance, Freeskating, Freeskating Pairs and Precision Skating

- 15.1. Music must be recorded and named according to AAC Rules. Except where AAC rules state otherwise, vocal music will not be permitted.
- 15.2. All music will be played via the Artistic Skating Victoria computer.

15.3. Music files must be sent to the Artistic Skating Victoria Chairperson no later than Friday April 24th, 2015.

15.3.1. MP3 format is preferred.

16. Music for Compulsory Dance & OD

16.1. Compulsory dance music will be supplied and arranged by the Victorian State and checked by the Referee before the event. Vocal music which has been certified as the correct tempo and rhythm may be used.

17. Figure Circles

17.1. The Championship Director will select the set of circles to be used by A and B panel.

17.2. International Skaters may choose which loops & circles to skate on within the A-panel area.

18. Protests and Complaints

18.1. All Skaters and Team Managers should refer to the appropriate rule book/s.

18.2. Any protest should be lodged with the event Referee within 15 minutes of the ending of that event. The event is considered ended when the last skater's marks have been displayed and then lowered.

18.3. Where a protest is to be made in an event that has more than one part, the protest should be lodged with that event's Referee within 15 minutes of that event part ending to which the protest relates. The event part is considered ended when the last skater exits the floor following their performance.

18.4. A Protest Fee must accompany all protests. The fee is set at \$80.00 and will be refunded when the protest is upheld or at the discretion of the Championship Director.

18.5. All protests are to be lodged with the Championship Director and in writing.

18.6. General complaints which are not part of an official protest process should in the first instance be directed to the Championship Director or the Referee in charge of the event.

19. Suitable Dress for Events

19.1. Costumes worn by Artistic skaters must meet the requirements as set out in the CAOC rules. Females in a precision team may wear trousers.

20. General Behaviour and Observance of Rules

20.1. While participating in the Championships all competing skaters, coaches and team members are subject to Skate Australia Disciplinary Tribunal, Membership

- Protection Policy, Artistic Code of Conduct and Conditions of Entry, whether skating in a session or acting as a spectator.
- 20.2. The principles of good sportsmanship are required at all Artistic skating activities. All attendees will respect the competition, respect competitors and respect officials.
- 20.3. Patrons are reminded that while in the venue they are subject to Artistic Skating Victoria's Conditions of Entry. The Championship Director reserves the right to require a patron who does not abide by these conditions to leave the venue.
- 20.4. The observance of rules extends beyond the end of the Championships. Disciplinary Action can be taken after the event under Skate Australia Disciplinary Tribunals By-Law No 8.

21. Privacy Policy

- 21.1. The competitors consent to Skate Australia privacy policy. Artistic Skating Victoria is committed to respecting the privacy of personal information. Information provided by skaters will only be used for the purpose for which it was provided.
- 21.2. Photographs of medal presentations and of skaters competing may be used for publicity purposes or placed on the website.

22. Requirements and Special Rules for Artistic

- 22.1. Requirements shall be as per the approved schedule for the 2015 Australian Championships.
- 22.2. Qualification for entry into Grades and rules for moving up grades are as per the rules of the Australian Artistic Committee.
- 22.3. Precision skating events will be conducted in accordance with the rules of the Australian Artistic Committee and as detailed in the Precision skating manual.

23. Scoring/Calculators

- 23.1. Open Scoring shall be used for all events except those consisting of two parts where the first part does not display marks.
- 23.2. Calculating of events shall be as per CIPA rules.
- 23.3. Only qualified judges and officials shall officiate providing they hold current 2015 Skate Australian membership.
- 23.4. Results will be calculated by computer in the first instance, or manually failing this.

24. Victorian National Skater Eligibility

24.1. Selection Criteria

24.1.1. Firstly, the following criteria must be complied with in order to be considered for the Victorian National's Team 2015:

- a) That there is no restriction imposed upon the skater outside of these selection rules preventing them from being selected. For example, the skater is an ASVI and SA financial member; the skater owes no monies to ASVI; there is no SA restriction on the skater, etc.
- b) The skater must indicate on the Victorian State Championships' nomination form their desire to be selected for Victoria and go to Australian Championships 2015.
- c) The skater has complied with both the following:
 - 1) Skated in at least one (1) League competition for that discipline, or has been granted consideration as if they had skated one League competition
 - 2) Skated at the Victorian State Championships in the event that they wish to nominate for Nationals.

24.1.2. Secondly, and only when the skater has complied with all of the above points:

- a) For an event with SA imposed number limitation, the skaters will be selected in their finishing order at State Championships. That is, Gold medal first selected, then Silver medal as second selected, and so on.
- b) For an event with SA unlimited number of entries, upon adherence to the event requirements the skater will automatically be selected for this event.

24.1.3. Thirdly, and only when the skater has been granted consideration without skating at the Victorian State Championships, see 24.3 below.

24.2. Skater did not skate one League in discipline before State Championships

24.2.1. When the skater has not competed in one (1) league for that discipline before Victorian State Championships, then:

- a) The skater or their representative must write to the ASVI Chairperson requesting special selection consideration for that discipline. The request must be submitted before the closure of Victorian State Championships nominations.
- b) The ASVI Chairperson, following discussion with the ASVI committee, will determine whether or not the skater's request will be granted.
- c) Being granted special consideration does not mean the skater has been selected for that discipline in the Victorian National's Team; merely that they are eligible to be treated the same as a skater who has done one league.
- d) The skater will still need to skate Victorian State Championships.

24.3. Skater did not skate State Championships

24.3.1. When the skater did not skate in their discipline at the Victorian State Championships, then:

- a) The skater or their representative must write to the ASVI Chairperson by the end of the Victorian State Championships, requesting special selection consideration for that discipline for the Victorian National's Team.
- b) The ASVI Chairperson is the solo adjudicator on whether or not the skater's request will be granted. Where possible the ASVI Chairperson will consult with the ASVI Executive when making the decision.
- c) Being granted special consideration does not mean the skater has been selected for that discipline in the Victorian National's Team; merely that they are eligible to be selected. A skater who has not skated in the Victorian Championships cannot be selected above a skater who did skate regardless of whether special consideration was granted by the ASVI Chairperson.
- d) When there are multiple skaters who have been granted exceptional consideration for a discipline but not enough positions available for them all, the ASVI Chairperson will be the solo adjudicator on which skaters will be granted the available positions. Where possible the ASVI Chairperson will consult with the ASVI Executive when making the decision.

24.4. Selection Flowchart

24.4.1. See Appendix B for a detailed order explanation.

25. Open Short Event

- 25.1. A skater who has complied with Sec 24 and wishes to nominate to represent Victoria in Open Short at Nationals can only have their nomination accepted for Open Short when:
 - 25.1.1. The skater is skating in Cadet, Juvenile, Intermediate or Advanced free skating at Nationals; or
 - 25.1.2. The skater is a Preliminary free skater who finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the Open Short at Victorian States.

Appendix B – Nationals team selection for Victorian skaters 2015

Victorian Skater Selection for Nationals

