

# **Rules & Regulations**

## **Icelandic Skating Association**

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## **I. General**

### **Regulation 100 On laws, rules and regulations and published documents**

All published documents that contain rules set by the Icelandic Skating Association are regulations, although they are not part of the actual rules of the association.

This applies, among other things, to the Tournament Handbook, Basic Test Manual, Officials Handbook, „Skate the Rainbow“, National team criteria, competition rules, judging sheets, or any other documents that are published and will be complied to with the operation of skating sports.

Unless otherwise stated, the date of issue of each document is the date of which its contents take effect. In case of discrepancies the most recent document should be followed, however no published documents can overwrite competition rules.

All current rules are accessible for members either on the ÍSS website or the shared content feed.

### **Regulation 110 Membership- and trainee fees**

ÍSS members pay a membership fee to the ÍSS. The fee is a fixed amount decided by the ÍSS's board of directors. Due date for membership fees is September 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

The membership fee is for access to the basic service provided by ÍSS that concerns the general trainee of skating sports, such as coaches' education, general education and „Skate the Rainbow“

An active trainee of ÍSS members pays a trainee fee to the ÍSS. The fee is a fixed amount decided by the board of director. Due date of trainee fees is once per semester, January 1<sup>st</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup>, each year per active trainee. ÍSS members collect the fee and pay to the ÍSS.

An active trainee is regarded as a person who has paid a participation fee, to their respective club, for the full semester.

### **Regulation 111 ÍSS's Code of Conduct**

ÍSS operates in accordance with the ÍSí and ISU Code of Conduct. In accordance with these codes of conduct, the ÍSS board of directors sets the Code of Conduct for the ÍSS.

The Code of Conduct applies to ÍSS's board of directors, its members and their boards, employees, volunteers, competitors, coaches, parents and anyone who is involved in events and activities of skating sports and are they obliged to comply with them.

Learn this code of conduct and adhere to these standards. Act with complete integrity and let your attitude reflect your belief in the principles and goals of the Icelandic Skating Association.

1. Read and familiarize yourself with the ISS laws, rules and regulations and have your demeanor and behavior reflect them.
2. Maintain honesty, impartiality and fairness.
3. Be an example of athletic behavior and mutual respect
4. At sporting events you may not:
  - Consume and/or be in possession of narcotics
  - Participate directly or indirectly and/or assist in violation of doping rules or other infringements. Such behavior discredits the sports and, in addition, shows a poor example for young people.

5. Be respectful to skaters, coaches, volunteers and staff. And keep in mind that within the sport, the majority of practitioners are in their formative years
6. By participating in sporting events, you are involved in the shaping and image of the sports and you should therefore act accordingly. Both positive and negative rhetoric and behavior, including social media, influences the image of the sport.
7. The respect and fairness of individuals on grounds of gender, ethnicity, race, culture, language, religion, sexual orientation and beliefs should not be abused.
8. In general, gifts cannot be given or accepted if their values exceed what may be considered normal. Similarly, it is not permitted to accept gifts in exchange for a favor resulting in a violation of the code of conduct.
9. It is prohibited to engage in betting in connection with a competition or events of skating.
10. Be objective in your communications. In the event of a conflict of interest, the persona concerned shall withdraw from the discussion, evaluation or election of the matter concerned.
11. Do not abuse your position and authority. Any violence, mental, physical or sexual, will not be tolerated.
12. Specialists within the ÍSS, can participate in public debate if the discussion is part of a larger event and realize that it is important to discuss the sport in a positive and constructive view objectively where it is not being detrimentally on one rather than another.
13. As a representative of the Icelandic Skating Association and the sport in general, you realize that if you are in violation of the ÍSS Code of Conduct it may affect the assessment for a further cooperation.

Code of conduct is based on the honesty and ethics of each person to whom the rules apply. Violations should be referred to the ÍSS Board of directors for further assessment.

Individuals who have been convicted of violations of the provisions of Chapter XXIII of the General Penal Code, no. 19/1940, are not permitted to work within skating. This applies to both volunteers and employees.

### **Regulation 112 Anti-Doping**

The Icelandic Anti-Doping Committee of The Icelandic Anti-Doping Organization (Lyfjæftirlit Íslands) handles the implementation of anti-doping control among athletes in Iceland. The Anti-Doping Committee operates in accordance with WADA rules.

International anti-doping control is executed in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code (WADA) and the international standards of WADA.

Athletes who take drugs regularly need to check with their doctor whether the drug or its dosage is unauthorized by WADA. All athletes must keep themselves updated on the renewal of WADA's Prohibited List.

All athletes within the Icelandic Skating Association must adhere to anti-doping rules by The National Sports and Olympic Association of Iceland (ÍSí) and those of the International Skating Union (ISU).

### **Regulation 113 Ineligibility**

A board-/committee member must vacate his seat when treating and dealing with matters that his close friends or relatives are concerned, in particular that is generally expected that his position will be shaped to some extent.

A board-/committee member is ineligible to handle a case if:

- He is a party to the case
- He is related to a party to the case
- If circumstances correctly question his impartiality

If a board-/committee member realizes that a conflict of interest will arise, he shall draw attention to it. He may, in any proceedings that his ineligibility extends to, clarify his position.

A board-/committee members or staff member who is ineligible shall leave the meeting and it shall be stated in the minutes.

#### **Regulation 114 – 119 reserved**

#### **Regulation 120 Labeling and advertisements**

All markings and advertising on persons and/or their clothing shall be in accordance with Rule 102 in ISU Constitution and General Regulations.

This applies to all Icelandic competitors, coaches, personnel and officials.

When representing Iceland / ÍSS competitors, coaches and personnel shall only bear markings and advertising from ÍSS on their person and/or clothing.

#### **Regulation 121 – 129 reserved**

#### **Regulation 130 Skater of the Year**

Each year the ÍSS Board of directors recognizes a skater that has excelled that year. The title can be given to one male and one female skater.

The skater shall have reached, at least, the age of 16 in the year in question.

The Elite Committee submits an opinion to the board of director on the choice of The Skater of the Year as soon as possible. The selection is formally confirmed by the ÍSS Board of directors. The Elite Committee's decision making is based, among other things, on their results from International competitions, results from ÍSS Tournaments or comparable competitions, active participation during the year together with positive behavior and good example.

#### **Regulation 131 Honorary Members and ÍSS Honor Badge**

The ÍSS Board of directors may award the ÍSS Honor Badge to persons that have worked tirelessly and of dynamism to advance and grow skating sports in Iceland. The Honor Badges shall be presented at the ÍSS Congress or on an occasion decided by the ÍSS Board of directors. The board shall be unanimous in granting the Honor Badge. A list of all Honor Badges previously presented shall be published in a report at the ÍSS Congress each year, as well as being accessible in the ÍSS website. A maximum of four (4) Honor Badges can be awarded per year.

ÍSS Honor Badges have three (3) variations.

##### **ÍSS Silver Badge**

This Badge is a pin made up of the ÍSS logo in silver and can be given to those who have worked hard and selflessly in the interest of skating in Iceland for at least 10 years. However, the ÍSS Board of directors can honor persons with the silver badge, if there are special reasons, without 10 years of work.

A person can also earn the silver badge after a long career as a national team member or national team coach.

##### **ÍSS Gold Badge**

This Badge is a pin made up of the ÍSS logo in gold and can be given to those who have worked hard and selflessly in the interest of skating in Iceland for at least 20 years. However, the ÍSS Board of directors can honor persons with the gold badge, if there are special reasons, without 20 years of work.

#### ÍSS Honor Star

This badge is a pin made up of the ÍSS logo in a star in the official ÍSS colors with a ribbon in the Icelandic flag colors.

The ÍSS Honor Star is the highest accreditation of the ÍSS and is granted only under special circumstances to those who have been active in skating sports in Iceland for majority of their upbringing and adult professional life. Honor Star shall be accompanied by a special honorary document.

#### **Regulations 132 – 199 Reserved**

## II. ÍSS Committees

### **Regulation 200** **ÍSS Standing Committees and Handling of documents**

ÍSS committees shall have a minimum of three (3) members: Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary. Other members are Board members. The ÍSS board of directors appoints an observer for each committee.

The board of directors shall elect the chairmen of the committees and, in consultation with them, their colleagues. If interested, anyone can submit their candidacy, granted that they meet the requirements needed for the respective committee.

The committees are appointed for one year at a time. Their term of office shall be the competitive season. If a committee member is absent for a longer time, a new representative shall be appointed in his place by the ÍSS board of directors, in cooperation with the chairman of the respective committee.

ÍSS's standing committees are, cf. Article 14 of the ÍSS Constitution:

- Competition committee
- Elite committee
- Legal committee
- Technical committee
- Coaching- and Educational Committee

All standing committees shall bear the development and future of the sport in mind.

#### **Tasks shall be divided as follows:**

Chairman:

- Convenes the meetings and manages them
- Is the contact to the observer from the ÍSS board of directors.
- Shall be present at ÍSS board meetings when the committee's proposals are presented if requested.
- Assigns tasks, manages meetings and monitors project completion before sending them to the board of directors.

Vice Chairman: is the deputy chairman in his absence.

Secretary: writes the minutes and sends them to committee members and observer within a week of the meeting.

Board members: work on strategic planning and take on projects that need resolution

Observer on behalf of the board of directors: is authorized to attend the committee's meetings as an observer but does not have the right to vote.

If one or more members of the committee are not Icelandic speakers, communication shall take place in English.

Committees shall convene regularly during their term and handle matters that fall within their scope of work at the appointed deadline. Minutes shall be written and sent to committee members within a week of the meeting. The committee's proposals shall be submitted in writing, including arguments, to the board of directors for review and approval. If the board of directors has any comments, the proposal shall be returned to the committee for further explanation and / or justification before it is finalized or resubmitted.

Democracy applies to the work of the committees, which means that a majority of votes cast a ruling, or alternatively, a special argument can be given to express all opinions, but a majority opinion must always be submitted to the board.

All documents based on the committees' proposals must be sent to committee members for approval before being submitted to the board of directors and later published. Proposed amendments that overlap between committees shall be prepared in consultation between the committees before they are taken up by the board. Formal communication between committees shall take place through chairmen.



Committee members shall work in accordance with the Code of Conduct of ÍSS, ÍSÍ and ISU, as well as other general rules and regulations of the ÍSS.

### **Handling of documents**

In an accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), documents and other data relevant to the work of committees and / or the ÍSS Board of directors must always be treated as confidential and as an asset of the Icelandic Skating Association.

Each committee has a designated e-mail and online file and data storage where communications and data should be kept. It is strictly prohibited to destroy data or communications concerning general committee work and its activities.

Data prepared in the committees is the property of the Icelandic Skating Association and committee members shall ensure that it is stored in the online file and data storage at the end of their term.

## **Regulation 201 Technical Committee**

### **Appointment of the Figure Skating Technical committee**

The Technical committee shall be appointed from judges and technical specialists or technical controllers having national or higher qualifications. At least one members of the committee shall have international qualifications from the ISU. The chairman shall be appointed by the board of directors, who then elects members in collaboration / consultations with the board of directors.

Active trainees, board members or employees of ÍSS member clubs, other than coaches, cannot have a seat on the committee. If a committee member also works as a coach, the person in question must be aware of the ÍSS Code of Conduct, including ineligibility and separation of judges and coaches.

### **Appointment of the Speed Skating Technical committee**

The Technical committee shall be appointed from referees, starters, stewards, judges and timekeepers having national or higher qualifications. At least one members of the committee shall have international qualifications from the ISU. The chairman shall be appointed by the board of directors, who then elects members in collaboration / consultations with the board of directors.

Active trainees, board members or employees of ÍSS member clubs, other than coaches, cannot have a seat on the committee. If a committee member also works as a coach, the person in question must be aware of the ÍSS Code of Conduct, including ineligibility and separation of judges and coaches.

### **Technical committee duties:**

Yearly duties of the committee are:

- The technical execution of ÍSS tournaments:
  - Updating Icelandic competition rules in ISU-calc and other recognized judging systems.
  - Set up of judging programs and software.
  - Approval of panels for all competitions
  - Review the execution of the seasons tournaments and make recommendation for improvement as needed.
- Review competition rules and Basic tests for all competition categories as well as judging sheets before the end of each season.
- Updating the Officials Manual
- Assist with organization and execution of education for judges, technical specialists, referees and other officials. Seminars should be held at least once a year.
- Review criteria for the national team in consultation with the Elite committee
- Various projects that the ÍSS board of directors assigns to the committee or which the committee takes up on its own and is relevant to the work of the committee

## **Regulation 202**

### **Coaching- and Educational Committee**

#### **Appointment of the Coaching- and Educational Committee**

The committee shall be composed of representatives of coaches, judges and technical specialists or technical controllers.

Active trainees, board members or employees of ÍSS member clubs, other than coaches, cannot have a seat on the committee.

#### **Coaching- and Educational committee duties:**

The committee oversees the education of professionals from the field of coaching and judging as well as general education and promotion of the sports, e.g. seminars and lectures.

The committee works on issues regarding the ÍSS testing system, among other things, „Skate the Rainbow“, Basic Tests and updating the Basic Test Manual.

#### **Yearly duties of the committee are:**

- Review of „Skate the Rainbow“
- Organization and execution of coaches' education. Seminars should be held at least every other year.
- Organization of education for judges and technical panel.
- Review of Basic Tests and the Basic Test Manual in cooperation with the Technical committee.

## **Regulation 203**

### **Elite Committee**

#### **Appointment of the Elite Committee**

The committee shall be composed of individuals that have extensive knowledge in the field of coaching or judging. Active trainees, board members or employees of ÍSS member clubs, other than coaches, cannot have a seat on the committee. Members of the committee shall not participate in the training of skaters discussed by the committee or are on elite level. The impartiality of the members towards individuals to whom the projects are directed needs to be present and therefore they must not be involved in the daily training of the group of skaters in question.

The committee works according to ÍSS's published criteria for the selection in national teams. The committee can make an assessment in the event of illness, accident or other valid reasons that prevents the skaters from meeting the requirements for participation in tournaments used for the national team criteria. All doctor's notes of such absence shall be submitted to the committee for review and discussion and sent to [afreksnefnd@iceskate.is](mailto:afreksnefnd@iceskate.is).

#### **Yearly duties of the committee are:**

- Verification, follow-up and management of skaters' performance and that they meet the criteria for elite groups with regular review of protocols.
- Selection of skaters for the national team and/or specific projects on behalf of ÍSS, including International and ISU competitions as well as seminars where participation is on behalf of the ÍSS.
- Discussion and approval of eligibility of competitors for competitions requested for participation.
- A representative from the committee shall be present at all ÍSS competitions.
- Selection of the Skater of the Year. The selection shall be submitted annually to the board of directors within a week of the Icelandic National Championships.
- Revision of the ÍSS Criteria
- Policy planning for ÍSS's achievement program, in collaboration with the ÍSS board of directors.
- Various projects that the ÍSS board of directors assigns to the committee or which the committee takes up on its own and is relevant to the work of the committee

The committee's conclusions, together with justification, shall be made available in a report and submitted to the ÍSS Board of directors for confirmation. Deviations from the published criteria should be argued and justified in the committee's report.

#### **Regulation 204 Competition Committee**

##### **Appointment of the Competition Committee**

The committee is open to those who are interested in participating in the work of competitions and tournaments, they may however not be employees or board members of ÍSS member clubs. In addition, each member shall appoint a competition manager for each season no later than July 1<sup>st</sup> each year. These managers are the point of contact between the ÍSS competition committee and member clubs as well as in charge of staffing volunteer positions at international events held by the ÍSS.

The competition committee appoints regulators at tournaments, and is the representative present during the event.

##### **The Competition committee's duties are:**

- Oversee the execution of all competitions in Iceland and manage all ÍSS tournaments.
- Review and update all documents concerning competitions, such as competition manual and instructions for presenters.
- Ensure that member clubs announce competitions to ÍSS, submit reports and that all competitions are in accordance with the ÍSS competition manual
- The committee submits a complete report for the season to the ÍSS Board of directors at the end of the season, but no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> each year.
- Be in charge of a yearly seminar for competitions hosts and managers from member clubs.

#### **Regulation 205 Legal Committee**

##### **Appointment of the Legal Committee**

Members should have extensive knowledge of the skating sports and their operation.

##### **The Legal committee's duties:**

The committee reviews the ÍSS constitution, Rules and Regulations and other published documents for coordination and / or correction. The committee shall also arrange proposals for legislative and / or regulatory amendments.

The committee shall review all documents containing rules and submit suggestions for improvements if necessary. The ÍSS board of directors shall inform the committee on all published documents.

All proposals for regulatory changes shall be substantiated and submitted to the board of directors for final consideration.

The Legal committee may, if necessary, give an opinion on individual and obvious errors in the constitution that could lead to disputes or misinterpretations.

The committee shall submit its opinion and proposals for legislative amendments to the ÍSS board of directors at least four (4) weeks before ÍSS Congress.

#### **Regulation 206 - 209 reserved**

## **Regulation 210 Election Committee**

### **Appointment of the Election Committee**

The election committee is appointed by the ÍSS board of directors no later than February 1st each year, cf. Article 7 of the ÍSS Constitution and acts according to the ÍSS and the ISU Code of Ethics. The committee shall convene two to three times before congress to plan their work. The committee elects a chairman. Their submissions shall be unanimous. All votes are equal.

Each member shall have a representative on the committee.

### **The Election committee's duties**

The role of the election committee is to accept nominations for candidates to the ÍSS Board of directors and alternates as well as submit proposals to the ÍSS Congress on new board members, as the ÍSS Constitution states. They are election supervisors at congress.

- a. At the start of the term the committee publishes an advertisement for candidates. The advertisement is published on the ÍSS website as well as sent to each member
- b. If nominations are not received within the published deadline the committee can prolong the deadline. The new deadline should refer to a 10 day prolongation.
- c. The committee keeps record of the nominations. When the second invite to congress is published a short introduction of candidates shall be sent to all members.
- d. If no nominations are sent in the committee shall work towards finding candidates.

The committee will use the e-mail [kjornefnd@iceskate.is](mailto:kjornefnd@iceskate.is). All advertisements and documents shall be published in cooperation with the ÍSS office.

## **Regulations 211 – 299 Reserved**

### **III. Tournament- and Competition Rules**

#### **Regulation 300 Competitions**

The ÍSS defines all tournaments and competitions in Iceland and the ÍSS Competition Committee oversees compliance with the rules and regulations.

Competitions are a competitive skating events between individuals or groups carried on in pursuit of a prize, or participation diplomas, while being judged. At competition events, the competition manual shall be respected and followed.

In addition, ÍSS follows the ÍSÍ and ISU competitor's rules.

Competitions in Iceland are divided into the following categories: Open International Competitions, Interclub competitions, ÍSS Tournaments, Special Olympics competitions (SO), Adaptive Skating competitions (AS), multi club competitions and club competitions.

Event organizers and Referees shall submit reports on the competitions and tournaments for which they are responsible.

The ÍSS hosts the Icelandic Nationals, which is divided into the Icelandic Nationals for children and youth on the one hand and on the other hand The Icelandic National Championships. Other ÍSS tournaments are hosted by member clubs in collaboration with the ÍSS. The competition program must be updated annually, no later than May 1st of each year.

International Competitions held by the ÍSS, RIG and Nordics, are held in collaboration with member clubs.

#### **Regulation 301 Competition- and Competitor's Rules**

The competitive season is from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, cf. ISU rules, and the division by age of the competition categories shall be based on the age of the competitors on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The ÍSS defines the competition categories in Iceland and issues competition rules other than defined by the ISU.

The competition system is divided into the following: ISU Competition rules, ÍSS Competition rules, Club competitions, Special Olympics (SO) and Adaptive Skating (AS)

In order to qualify for an ÍSS tournament, a competitor must be a member of an ÍSS member club and have passed the relevant ÍSS Basic Tests.

#### **Competition rules**

Competition rules are reviewed by the ÍSS Technical committee in accordance with the ÍSS Regulation on the duties of the Technical committee.

#### **Regulation 302 Transfers**

Anyone who wishes to transfer and qualifies for ÍSS tournaments shall submit a declaration of the transfer to the ÍSS on a form that can be found on the ÍSS website. Notification in another form are not valid.

It is the responsibility of the skater, or his guardian, for the transfer to take place according to rules.

Trainees may transfer between clubs once per season, unless special circumstances exist.

If the rules on the transfer have been followed, the ÍSS will notify the trainee and the new club of the time at which they are considered eligible. However, such a deadline is never shorter than five (5) weeks from the date of notification of transfer accepted by the ÍSS.

### **Regulation 303 – 309 reserved**

### **Regulation 310 The Icelandic National Champion**

At the Icelandic Nationals the Icelandic National Champion is awarded in higher level categories. The following categories compete for the Icelandic National Champion of all disciplines of Figure Skating; Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior. The following categories compete for the Icelandic National Champion of all disciplines of Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating; Junior and Senior. The Icelandic National Champion can only become a skater who competes for a ÍSS member club, cf. Competition- and Competitor's rules of the ÍSí.

In the event of a fewer than three (3) skaters / pairs / teams are entered in a discipline the title of the Icelandic National Champion can be awarded at an event outside of Iceland, if recognized by the ÍSS and the event meets the minimum requirements for a National event.

### **Regulation 311 ÍSS Cup Series**

The Cup Series is a series of ÍSS tournaments where member clubs collect points. A Cup Champion is crowned at the last tournament of the series.

A club, as a whole, becomes the Cup Champion and its team receives the cup at the end of the series.

The tournaments that are a part of the series are announced by the ÍSS at the beginning of each competition season.

In the event of a cancelled tournament in the Cup Series due to uncontrollable circumstances, the ÍSS board of directors may decide on temporary changes to the rules in the Cup Series so that the Cup Champion can be crowned.

#### **Scoring and publication of results**

Points are awarded in each category of each competition that has competitors from all member clubs. Points are awarded to the skater at the top from each club. One from each member. The club collects points in the Cup Series throughout the year in the categories in which all clubs participate.

If there are not competitors from all clubs in any competition category in an individual tournament within the Cup Series, points shall be calculated in those competition categories where only one club is missing. Points awarded: 15 points, 13 points, 11 points. If there are more than three participating clubs, points shall be awarded at two-point intervals (9 points, 7 points etc.).

The ÍSS office shall be in charge of publication and administration of results. Results shall be published on the ÍSS website.

Arrangements for award ceremony can be found in the ÍSS Competition Manual.

### **The Trophy**

The Cup Series includes a trophy owned by the ÍSS that the current Cup Series winner has for safe keeping and display, engraved wall plaque and a trophy given to the winner each year for their permanent ownership.

On the trophy owned by the ÍSS shall be engraved with “Bikarmeistari ÍSS”. The trophy shall be kept in a conspicuous but safe place in the winner’s clubhouse. The trophy must be brought to ÍSS at least a month before the final tournament of the series. The relevant club is fully responsible for the trophy while it is in their custody and the club will compensate for any damage to it or replacement in case of loss.

The wall plaque is kept at the ÍSS office. It shall be engraved with “Bikarmeistarar ÍSS”. Each year, the name of the club and the year the title of ÍSS Cup Series is awarded to them shall be engraved on a small shield that is attached to the plaque.

Each year’s Cup Series Champion receives a smaller trophy. It shall be engraved with “Bikarmeistari ÍSS” and the relevant year.

### **Regulation 312 - 319 reserved**

#### **Regulation 320 Skate the Rainbow**

Skate the Rainbow is a system for skating schools to promote basic skating. It is managed by the clubs but is overseen by the Icelandic Skating Association.

Instruction is carried out by the clubs and is based on group lessons conducted by coaches who have completed a minimum of first level coaching education.

Skate the Rainbow is divided into 7 levels. You can go through the levels regardless of time or sequence in consultation with the coach. Once the skater has reached all levels with his club, he takes his first ÍSS Basic Test.

#### **Regulation 321 Basic Tests**

The Icelandic Skating Association publishes a Basic Test Manual and the execution of basic tests shall be in accordance with that manual.

Judges, Technical Controllers (TC) and Technical Specialists (TS) shall have the qualifications according to the Panel Officials Manual.

Judging sheets for basic tests are official ÍSS examination documents.

### **Regulation 322 – 329 reserved**

#### **Regulation 330 Judging Systems and Technical Equipment**

**The ÍSS uses the following judging systems for figure skating:**

- International Judging System (IJS)
- Club Competition Judging system
- Special Olympics and Adaptive Skating judging systems

Variations of the Judging Systems can be found in the ÍSS Competition Manual.

### **Regulation 331**

#### **Officials**

**All ÍSS officials are educated by the ÍSS according to ÍSS and ISU rules.**

**All officials at ÍSS sanctioned events must be approved by the ÍSS**

All officials must be familiar with the systems on which their rights state and regularly obtain information on changes if they have occurred. Beginners should observe as officials for training.

Officials must have good knowledge of the English language, both in writing and speech, exercise good communications and be able to work in a group under pressure.

Officials who are invited to work at competitions abroad should notify the ÍSS as soon as such invitation is received. The ÍSS may require that tournaments on behalf of the Icelandic Skating Association take priority.

Officials shall submit to the ÍSS a report on their work no later than June 15<sup>th</sup> each year.

Rules regarding seminars, rating system and duties of officials are published in the Officials Manual.

### **Regulation 332**

#### **Officials Figure Skating**

<b>Open International Competition</b>	The ÍSS appoints officials, cf. Rules 107 and 121 of the ISU Constitutions and General Regulations.
<b>Interclub Competitions</b>	Judges, technical controllers (TC) and technical specialists (TS) shall have a minimum of national qualifications. The Referee shall have International qualifications as a judge and referee qualifications from their home country.
<b>ÍSS Tournaments – ISU categories; Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior</b>	Judges, technical controllers (TC) and technical specialists (TS) shall have a minimum of national qualifications. However, 1 Judge and 1 Technical Specialists may have lower qualifications. The Referee shall have referee qualifications and a minimum of three years' experience as a national judge or higher.
<b>ÍSS Tournaments – other categories</b>	Judges, technical controllers (TC) and technical specialists (TS) shall have a minimum of basic level qualifications. The Referees shall have referee qualifications and at least the qualification of a national judge.
<b>Multi- or single club competitions in ÍSS categories</b>	Judges, technical controllers (TC) and technical specialists (TS) shall have a minimum of basic qualifications. The Referees shall have referee qualifications and at least the qualification of a basic level judge.
<b>Multi- or single club competitions</b>	All judges shall have the qualification to judge in the Club competition judging system. The Referee shall have referee qualifications.
<b>SO and AS</b>	All judges shall have the qualification to judge in the Club competition judging system. The Referee shall have experience in judging SO/AS.



### **Regulation 333 – 335 reserved**

### **Regulation 336 Selection of officials for ÍSS Projects**

When selection personnel for ÍSS projects the officials must meet the requirements of the project in question. If more than one similar project is available, they are split between individual officials.

Its projects cannot be divided equally between officials, the following should be considered:

- Length of employment\*
- Experience\*
- Demonstrated work in the previous season:
  - The person has worked at ÍSS tournaments
  - The person has worked at ÍSS Basic Tests
  - The person has worked with member clubs
  - The person has held a seminar upon the request of the ÍSS
  - The person serves on committees or working groups within the ÍSS
- The persons interest in the project in question
- The person has taken initiative in projects that fall under his/her field of work

\*Information on employment history and individual experience is collected and kept for reference at the ÍSS office.

### **Regulations 337 – 399 Reserved**

### **III. ÍSS Elite Foundation**

#### **Regulation 400 Elite Foundation**

The ÍSS board of directors has set up a foundation for the elite program. The foundation is allocated 60% of the ÍSí achievement subsidy as well as specially marked funds from the ISU.

If the ÍSS receives grants that are specially marked for the Elite Foundation they will be transferred in full to the foundation. In addition, the board will aim to raise funds for the elite program and part of them will be donated to the fund. Other grants will go towards the general development of the elite program.

Payments from the Elite Foundation are intended for the elite athletes in order to meet the direct costs of participating in competitions abroad.

Competitors who have met the ÍSS criteria for the Elite group can apply for a grant from the foundation.

The application deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup> each year and payments are made on May 15<sup>th</sup> each year.

#### **ÍSS Criteria and the National Team**

The ÍSS National Team at any given time is selected from the Elite Group for each project. Skaters who have reached the criteria are added to the relevant group and to so over the season as soon as the criteria is reached. (See ÍSS Criteria for relevant seasons).

#### **Regulation 401 Allocation Rules**

##### **Allocation Rules for the ÍSS Elite Foundation and National Team projects.**

The ÍSS board of directors reserves the right to select competitors from Iceland to participate in tournaments that are on official lists of the ISU

##### **ISU European Championships / ISU World Championships / ISU Junior Worlds**

Skaters who reach the minimum scores for participation in the above-mentioned championships receive a full grant from ÍSS. Travel expenses and accommodation for skaters are paid, as well as one coach and one team leader. In addition daily allowances are paid to the coach and team manager.

##### **Junior Grand Prix (JGP)**

ÍSS aims to send skaters to assigned JGP tournaments.

ÍSS sponsors competitors and pays a percentage of total costs.<sup>1</sup>

- Skaters in the Elite Group receive a 100% grant
- Skaters in the Elite Material Group receive a 60% grant

Travel costs to and from the next international airport and cost of food is covered by the competitors.

A coach receives a daily allowance according to ÍSS's tariff during the trip.

If two or more competitors are from the Elite Material Group, they will pay the same amount, or 40% of the average of the trips. If only one competitor is from the Elite Material Group, he pays 40% of his own trip.

##### **ISU Challenger Series**

- Competitors from the Elite Group can apply for a travel-grant for travel to ISU tournaments up to a maximum of two times per season. The grant amounts to kr. 50.000,- for each tournament.
- Competitors from the Elite Material Group can apply for a travel-grant for travel to ISU tournaments up to a maximum of two times per season. The grant amounts to kr. 30.000,- for each tournament.

##### **EYOF**

The ÍSS provides a support that amounts to 50% of the cost charged by ÍSí.

<sup>1</sup> Total Cost consists of the total sum of travel- and accommodation expenses for skaters and one coach, including daily allowances.

### **ÍSS's National Team at ISU competitions**

ÍSS chooses one ISU tournament in the fall semester, which is classified as a national team project. The minimum participation in a national team project is four (4) competitors. The ISU tournament that is selected each season is supported to the extent that ÍSS provides a Team Leader. The Team Leader meets the group at the competition venue (or at the airport in the country where the competition takes place) and accompanies them to assist until at the airport on the day of departure.

### **Nordics**

ÍSS provides a Team Leader that meets the group at the competition venue.

Costs for coaches are covered by the respective clubs/skaters.

Grants for the Nordics:

- Competitors from the Elite Group can apply for a grant that amounts to kr. 70.000,-.
- Competitors from the Elite Material Group can apply for a grant that amounts to kr. 50.000,-.
- Competitors who have not reached the ÍSS criteria but are eligible for participation do not have the possibility of funding.

### **Other ISU competitions**

Member clubs / coaches can, according to the Elite committees' rules, apply to the ÍSS Elite committee to attend ISU competitions. The committee evaluates the relevant competitors in accordance with the level of the competition applied for.

Grants for ISU competitions

- Competitors from the Elite Group can apply for a travel-grant for travel to ISU tournaments up to a maximum of two times per season. The grant amounts to kr. 50.000,- for each tournament.
- Competitors from the Elite Material Group can apply for a travel-grant for travel to ISU tournaments up to a maximum of two times per season. The grant amounts to kr. 30.000,- for each tournament.

### **RIG**

The RIG tournament is an international competition on the ISU list and is held in Iceland. The competition is held at the expense of the ÍSS and is therefore outside of the Elite foundation. No funds can be applied for this event.

### **Senior**

Skaters who compete in the Senior category can apply for special grants for competition participation, regardless of the position on the ÍSS Elite Groups<sup>2</sup>.

Competitors can apply for a travel-grant for travel to ISU tournaments up to a maximum of two times per season. The grant amounts to kr. 30.000,- for each tournament.

### **Transport subsidy**

If the distance from the skaters' home to and from the nearest international airport is longer than 100 km, it is possible to apply for a grant, up to twice per season, for domestic travel costs amounting to kr. 5.500,-.

**Regulation 402 – 499 reserved**

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<sup>2</sup> A maximum of one grant can be applied for, for each competition.