

SECTION 5

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Effective May 2016

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rule 510

The Association will, if practicable, conduct annual Championships at places and dates to be decided by the Council, and announced immediately after the Annual General Meeting of the year preceding that in which the events are to be held.

Rule 511

The Championship Meeting will, so far as possible, be held in turn in each of the States where adequate facilities are available for the conduct of the meeting.

Rule 512

The Championship Meeting will be held at a time to be determined by the Council.

Rule 513

TITLES

1. The title "Australian Champion" shall be awarded only to persons who, at the time of the commencement of the applicable Australian Championship are:

Ladies and men who are Australian citizens or have been ordinarily resident in Australia for a period of not less than one year

OR

A pair or dance couple with at least one partner who is an Australian citizen and the other partner has been ordinarily resident in Australia for a period of not less than one year

AND

Synchronized teams with at least 75% of the team who are Australian citizens.
2. The title "Australian Champion" shall be awarded to the winner of each event at the Australian Championship Meeting, in as many divisions of figure skating, pair skating, ice dancing and synchronized skating as the Council shall determine.
3. The winner of a Championship event shall bear the title: "Australian Ladies'/Men's Champion" (year); Australian Junior Ladies'/Men's Champion" (year); etc. "Australian Pair Champion (year); "Australian Junior Pair Champion" (year); etc."Australian Ice Dance Champions" (year); "Australian Junior Ice Dance Champions" (year); etc. "Australian Synchronized Team Champions" (year); etc.

Rule 514

ORGANISATION OF CHAMPIONSHIP MEETINGS

1. The organisation of Championship Meetings shall be under the general control of the Council, which may delegate the organisation of the meeting to a State association or club, or a specially designated Committee.
2. Championship Meetings may be held at different times or places for different divisions, as may be required to meet conditions or circumstances.

Rule 515**CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

1. No alteration of the regulations relating to a Championship or Competition may be made after the announcement of the event concerned.
2. No amendment to existing Championship rules may be made within 2 months of the Australian Championship Meeting concerned.
3. New rules or new events may be introduced only if published at least two months before the announced date of the event.

Rule 516**ELIGIBILITY**

1. Participation in an Australian Championship is open to a person belonging to a State association, who is eligible in accordance with the conditions applicable to the particular event.
2. The Council may, in its discretion, allow persons from other countries to participate in an Australian Championship meeting.
3. Invited participants from other countries competing in Australian Championships, must meet Australian entry standards and requirements in all respects. Such skaters must meet the specified test requirements, or their own equivalent, and may not compete in a lower division than that in which they have competed in their home countries.

Rule 517**AWARDS**

1. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be presented to the Champion and the second and third placed competitors respectively.
2. Invited participants from other ISU members, who place in any of the three positions in an Australian Championship event, will be given appropriate medals, in addition to the medals awarded to the three highest-placed Australian competitors.

Rule 518**OFFICIALS**

1. All Officials for Championship events will be selected by the Operational Director Judging and Officials
2. Nominations for all officials shall be submitted to the Operational Director no later than four weeks preceding the first day of the competition.
3. The following Officials are recommended:
 - a) Referee;
 - b) A panel of a minimum of four judges;
 - c) A Technical Controller;
 - d) A Technical Specialist;
 - e) An Assistant Technical Specialist;
 - f) A Data and Replay Operator.
4. The following competition personnel are necessary, and are selected and managed by the Organising Committee:
 - a) An announcer to summon the Competitors and to read the scores and results (Refer ISU Rule 352);

- b) Two accountants to manage the ISU Judging System
 - c) Supplementary Officials (if necessary) to guarantee the orderly conduct of the competition in other respects.
5. Nominations for auxiliary competition personnel shall be forwarded to the Organising Committee no later than four weeks preceding the first day of the competition.
 6. So far as possible, there will be at least one judge from each State, but no State should have a majority of judges on any panel.
 7. The Operational Director Judging and Officials or, in the absence of the Operational Director, the President shall have the power to decide any variation from these requirements, which are rendered necessary by circumstances.

Rule 519

ENTRIES

1. Entry for a Championship shall be made by the person's State association no later than four weeks preceding the first day of the competition.
2. Entries shall be forwarded to the Organising Committee and the Administration Officer in writing, accompanied by the required entry fees.
3. Each State shall be entitled to nominate up to four (4) entrants in each Championship event.
4. The host State may nominate a fifth entrant in each event.
5. Title holders may defend their titles without being counted in a State's quota in any event where defence of title is permitted.
6. The Council may, in its discretion, accept further entries for any event from any State.
7. Entry fees payable shall be set by the Council each year.
8. The Council may accept entries after the closing date upon payment of double the entry fee.

Rule 520

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

The Championship of Australia shall be open to Ladies and Men, shall be in one or two parts, depending on the relevant section:

1. A Short Program
2. A Free Skating Program

Rule 521

BASIC NOVICE B SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in a Basic Novice B Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Basic Novice B Level Singles Test or its equivalent, but not higher at the close of entries;
2. passed at a minimum the Basic Novice B Level Pattern Skills Test;
3. has not reached the age of fourteen (15) before July 1st preceding the event;

Rule 522 (Reserved)**Rule 523**

FREE SKATING As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 320](#)

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Rule 524 (Reserved)**Rule 525****INTERMEDIATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in an Intermediate Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has, at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Basic Novice B Level Singles Test or its equivalent, but not higher at the close of entries;
2. at a minimum passed the Basic Novice B Level Pattern Skills Test;
3. has reached the age of fourteen (15) before July 1st preceding the event.

Rule 526 (Reserved)**Rule 527**

FREE SKATING As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 320](#)

Rule 528 (Reserved)**Rule 529****ADVANCED NOVICE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in a Advanced Novice Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has, at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Advanced Novice Level Singles Test or its equivalent;
2. passed at a minimum the Advanced Novice Level Technical Pattern skills test;
3. not won a previous Advanced Novice Singles Championship of Australia, except that skaters who have not reached the age of 15 before July 1st preceding the event may defend their titles;

Rule 530

SHORT PROGRAM As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 310.2](#)

Rule 531

FREE SKATING As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 320](#)

Rule 532 (Reserved)**Rule 533****JUNIOR SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in a Junior Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has, at the closing of entries,

1. passed the Junior Level Singles Test or its equivalent,
2. passed at a minimum the Junior Level Pattern Skills Test;

and

EITHER has:

not exceeded the ISU Junior age of 19 for Ladies and Men in singles competition before July 1st preceding the event;

OR has:

1. not won a previous Junior Singles Championship of Australia;
2. not competed in a Senior Singles Championship (State, Australian or other).

Rule 534

SHORT PROGRAM As specified in ISU Rule 510 and ISU Rule 501

Rule 535

FREE SKATING As specified in ISU Rule 520 and ISU Rule 501

Rule 536 (Reserved)

Rule 537

SENIOR SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in a Senior Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has, at the closing of entries,

1. passed the Senior Level Singles Test or its equivalent;
2. passed at a minimum the Senior Level Pattern Skills Test;

Rule 538

SHORT PROGRAM As specified in ISU Rule 510 and ISU Rule 501

Rule 539

FREE SKATING As specified in ISU Rule 520 and ISU Rule 501

Rule 540

PAIR SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Championships of Australia shall be open to pairs (comprising a lady and a man) and shall be in two parts:

1. A Short Program
2. A Free Skating Program

Rule 541

BASIC NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in a Basic Novice Pair Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Basic Novice Level Pair Test or its equivalent;
2. not won a previous Basic Novice Pair Championship of Australia, except that where the partners have not reached the age of 14 for ladies and 16 for men before July 1st preceding the event, the title may be defended; or
3. only one partner has won a previous Basic Novice Pair Championship of Australia, and ;

4. only one partner has competed in an Advanced Novice Pair Championship (State, Australian or other).

Rule 542 (Reserved)

Rule 543

FREE SKATING As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 321](#)

Rule 544

ADVANCED NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in a Advanced Novice Pair Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Advanced Novice Level Pair Test or its equivalent, but not higher at close of entries;
2. not won a previous Advanced Novice Pair Championship of Australia, except that where the partners have not reached the age of 15 for ladies and 17 for men before July 1st preceding the event, the title may be defended; or
3. only one partner has won a previous Advanced Novice Pair Championship of Australia, and ;
4. only one partner has competed in a Junior Pair Championship (State, Australian or other).

Rule 545

SHORT PROGRAM As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 313](#)

Rule 546

FREE SKATING As specified in [ISA Rule 305 and ISA Rule 321](#)

Rule 547

JUNIOR PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in a Junior Pair Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries, passed the Junior Level Pair Test or its equivalent, and where NEITHER partner has:

Exceeded the ISU Junior age of 19 for Ladies and 21 for Men in Pair Skating competition before July 1st preceding the event;

OR where:

1. Only one partner has won a previous Junior Pair Championship of Australia; or
2. Only one partner has competed in a Senior Pair Championship, (State, Australian or other).

Rule 548

SHORT PROGRAM As specified in ISU Rule 513 Duration: as specified in ISU Rule 501

Rule 549

FREE SKATING As specified in ISU Rule 520
Duration: as specified in ISU Rule 501

Rule 550

SENIOR PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in the Senior Pair Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries, passed the Senior Pair Test Level or its equivalent.

Rule 551

SHORT PROGRAM As specified in ISU Rule 513
Duration: as specified in ISU Rule 501

Rule 552

FREE SKATING As specified in ISU Rule 520
Duration: as specified in ISU Rule 501

Rules 553 - 554 (Reserved)**Rule 555****ICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Championships of Australia shall be open to couples (comprising a lady and a man) and shall be in two parts:

1. Pattern Dances or Short Dance
2. Free Dance

Rule 556**BASIC NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in a Basic Novice Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Basic Novice Level Dance Test or its equivalent;
2. not won a previous Basic Novice Dance Championship of Australia, except that where the partners have not reached the age of 14 for ladies and 16 for men before July 1st preceding the event, the title may be defended; or
3. only one partner has won a previous Basic Novice Dance Championship of Australia, and
4. only one partner has competed in an Advanced Novice Dance Championship (State, Australian or other).

Rule 557

PATTERN DANCES As specified in [ISA Rule 337](#)

Rule 558 (Reserved)**Rule 559**

FREE DANCE As specified in [ISA Rule 339](#)

Rule 560**ADVANCED NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in a Advanced Novice Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association, who have, at the closing of entries:

1. passed the Advanced Novice Level Dance Test or equivalent; and
2. not won a previous Advanced Novice Dance Championship of Australia, except that where the partners have not reached the age of 15 for ladies and 17 for men before July 1st preceding the event, the title may be defended; or
3. only one partner has won a previous Advanced Novice Dance Championship of Australia, and

4. only one partner has competed in a Junior Dance Championship (State, Australian or other).

Rule 561

PATTERN DANCES As specified in [ISA Rule 337](#)

Rule 562 (Reserved)**Rule 563**

FREE DANCE As specified in [ISA Rule 339](#)

Rule 564 (Reserved)**Rule 565****JUNIOR DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in a Junior Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries, passed the Junior Dance Test or equivalent and where NEITHER partner has:

Exceeded the ISU Junior age of 19 for Ladies and the age of 21 for Men in Ice Dancing competition before July 1st preceding the event;

OR where:

1. only one partner has won a previous Junior or higher Dance Championship of Australia;
OR
2. only one partner has competed in a Senior Dance Championship (State, Australian or other).

Rule 566 (Reserved)**Rule 567**

SHORT DANCE As defined by the ISU and in accordance with ISU Rule 609.
Duration: refer ISU Rule 641

Rule 568

FREE DANCE In accordance with ISU Rule 610
Duration: refer ISU Rule 641

Rule 569 (Reserved)**Rule 570****SENIOR DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in the Senior Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association, who have, at the closing of entries passed the Senior Dance Test or equivalent.

Rule 571 (Reserved)**Rule 572**

SHORT DANCE As defined by the ISU and in accordance with ISU Rule 609.
Duration: refer ISU Rule 641.

Rule 573

FREE DANCE In accordance with ISU Rule 610.

Duration: refer ISU Rule 641

Rule 574

ADULT CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

The Adult Championship of Australia shall be open to Adult Ladies and Men, and is defined as eligible for Adult Competitions as per ISA Rule 601, paragraph 30, at the close of entries.

Rule 575

ADULT SILVER SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in the Adult Silver Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Elementary Technical Pattern Skills Tests at the close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 576

ADULT GOLD SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in the Adult Gold Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Pre-Primary Technical Pattern Skills Tests at the close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 577

ADULT MASTER SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in the Adult Master Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Primary Technical Pattern Skills Tests at the close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 578

ADULT ELITE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in the Adult Elite Singles Championship shall be open to a member of a State association who has at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Novice Technical Pattern Skills Tests at the close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 579

ADULT MASTER PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA

Participation in the Adult Master Pairs Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Primary Level Pairs Test or its equivalent at close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 580**ADULT ELITE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in the Adult Elite Pairs Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Novice Level Pairs Test or its equivalent at close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 581**ADULT SILVER FREE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in the Adult Silver Free Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Primary Level Dance Test or its equivalent at close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 582**ADULT GOLD FREE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in the Adult Gold Free Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Primary Level Dance Test or its equivalent at close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 583**ADULT MASTERS FREE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in the Adult Masters Free Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Novice Level Dance Test or its equivalent at close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rule 584**ADULT ELITE FREE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRALIA**

Participation in the Adult Elite Free Dance Championship shall be open to members of a State association who have, at the closing of entries:

1. Passed the Junior Level Dance Test or its equivalent at close of entries.

FREE SKATING As specified in ISA Rule 360

Rules 585 - 599 (Reserved)