

INTERNATIONAL INTERCLUB A-COMPETITION REGULATIONS

General rules:

Members of Belgian skating clubs can participate in Belgian International Interclub A-Competitions according their age and obtained level.

Special remarks for Belgian competitors:

- Members of Belgian skating clubs who are participating in the category Pre-Novice in Belgian <u>National A-Competitions</u> will participate in the category Miniemen in Belgian <u>International Interclub</u> <u>A-Competitions</u> as Finlandia-Cup, Kempen-Trophy and Ice Talent-Trophy.
- All <u>Novice A</u> skaters age wise who have obtained their <u>Junior level</u> need to participate in the <u>Advanced Novice category</u>.
- All <u>Novice B</u> skaters age wise who have obtained their <u>Junior level</u> need to participate in the <u>Advanced Novice category</u>.
- <u>Novice A</u> skaters age wise who have obtained their <u>Advanced Novice level</u> may participate in the <u>Novice A or Advanced Novice category</u>.
- <u>Novice B</u> skaters age wise who have obtained their <u>Advanced Novice level</u> may participate in the <u>Novice B or Advanced Novice category</u>.
- <u>Junior</u> skaters age wise who have obtained their <u>Senior level</u> may participate in the <u>Junior or Senior</u> <u>category</u>.
- Once a skater starts to compete in a category, he/she cannot participate in a lower category in the following International Interclub A-competitions.

Conditions for Belgian competitors in case of a new figure skating level obtained:

- When there is a higher level obtained, a skater can still participate in the <u>same category during the</u> <u>season</u> in Belgian International Interclub A-Competitions.
- A skater can also upgrade the category after obtaining a higher level for the following Belgian A-Competitions, if it's the skater's choice but it's not mandatory.
- In case of an upgrade to a higher category during the season, the club has to inform the <u>National</u> <u>General Secretary, the Regional Secretary and the Responsible National Competitions</u> about the respective competition at least two (2) weeks before the first competition day.

National General Secretary: <u>secretariaat.kbkf@telenet.be</u> Regional Secretary Flemish speaking federation: <u>mariabouwens@hotmail.com</u> Regional Secretary French speaking federation: <u>ffpa.christian.pieman@skynet.be</u> Responsible National Competitions: <u>ludod@telenet.be</u>

Citizenship requirements:

Members of Belgian skating clubs can only compete in Belgian International Interclub A-Competitions if:

- They have the Belgian citizenship.
- For more information, see latest ISU communication n° 2030 Rule 109

<u>Foreign clubs and or federations need to make sure that the citizenship requirements are fulfilled if they</u> want to enter their skaters in a Belgian International Interclub A-competition.

Warm-up:

- Miniemen Girls and Boys warm up groups can be maximum up to eight (8) skaters.
- Singles Girls and Boys for <u>all Novice Divisions</u> warm-up groups can be maximum up to <u>eight (8)</u> skaters.
- Boys will have separate warm-up groups from the girls. However, starting from <u>Novice A</u> boys can be put together in one warm-up group (Novice A, Novice B and Advanced Novice).

<u>Junior and Senior Ladies and Men</u> need to have separate warm-up groups (according ISU rules). Warm-up groups can be maximum up to <u>six (6)</u> skaters.

• Boys/Men can skate before or after the Girls/Ladies categories.

Categories more than 36 entrees:

If there are categories of more than 36 entrees in Belgian International Interclub A-Competitions, these categories must be divided into age groups. Organizing Clubs are allowed to divide smaller groups as well using the same criteria.

The age groups will be divided as follows:

Miniemen - U9 (U9 means under 9 years old) Miniemen - S9 (S9 means starting from 9 years old) Novice A - U11 Novice A - S11 Novice B - U14 Novice B - S14 Advanced Novice - U13 Advanced Novice - S13 Junior - U16 Junior - S16

- Skaters need to have the age by July 1st preceding the competition.
- When there are less than three (3) skaters in an age group, skaters will participate in one category whatever their age.
- Clubs enter their competitors in the categories they need to participate in for the competition and the Belgian Federation will publish, in time, if categories will be divided into age groups or not. This will be published on the website <u>www.skatebelgium.be</u>.

Organizing clubs:

• All Belgian clubs who organize an International Interclub A-competition need to put these regulations of the federation KBKF/FRBPA in their announcement for the categories for which they are valid.

MINIEMEN

Has not reached the age of 10 by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys.

Only skaters with a **Miniemen and/or Novice A level** can participate in this category.

Free Skating Program for Girls & Boys: 2:30 min +/- 10 sec.

Warm-up: 4 minutes. Warm-up groups can be maximum up to eight (8) skaters.

Vocal music is allowed in this category.

There will be **no** Bonus for jump elements performed in the second half of the Free program.

A well balanced Free Skating Program for Miniemen singles Girls and Boys must contain:

a) Maximum of 4 jump elements one of which must be an Axel type jump for Girls and Boys.

There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences.

Jump combinations can contain only two (2) jumps.

A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but <u>only the two (2) most difficult jumps will be</u> <u>counted</u>.

Any single and double jumps (including Double Axel) <u>cannot</u> be executed <u>more than twice</u> in total. **Rule 612, para 2, part Repetitions:** <u>If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is</u> <u>not according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.</u>

Triple jumps are **NOT** permitted.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation)

One (1) combination spin: a spin combination with a change of foot minimum eight (8) revolutions or without a change of foot minimum six (6) revolutions.

One (1) spin with no change of position: a spin in one position with a change of foot minimum eight (8) revolutions or spin in one position without a change of foot minimum six (6) revolutions. In both spins flying entries are NOT allowed.

The minimum of required revolutions must be counted from the entry of the spin until its exit (except final wind-up in spins in one position spin).

c) For Girls and Boys there must be one (1) step sequence with fully utilizing the ice surface.

The Program Components are only judges in:

- Skating Skills
- Performance

Component factor: 2.5

LEVEL EXPLANATIONS:

All elements, which are subject to levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted.

Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

If a **double Axel (2A)** is executed and called by the Technical Panel (no < or <<) in the program, a bonus of 0.5 will be given even if there is a fall.

Fall -0.5Pt: A Fall is defined as loss of control by a Skater with the result that the majority of his/her own body weight is on the ice supported by any other part of the body other than the blades e.g. hand(s), knee(s), buttock(s), or any part of the arm (Rule 503, para1).

NOVICE A

Has reached a least the age of ten (10) by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys. Has not reached the age of thirteen (13) by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys.

Only skaters with a Novice A and/or Novice B and Advanced Novice level can participate in this category.

Free Skating Program for Girls & Boys: 2:30 min +/- 10 sec.

Warm-up: **6 minutes.** Warm-up groups can be maximum up to eight (8) skaters. Vocal music is allowed in this category. There will be **no** Bonus for jump elements performed in the second half of the Free Program.

A well balanced Free Skating program for singles A Girls and Boys must contain:

(According ISU communication n° 2024)

a) Maximum of <u>4 jump elements for Girls and Boys</u> of which must be an Axel type jump.

There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences.

Jump combinations can contain only two (2) jumps.

A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but <u>only the two (2) most difficult jumps will be</u> <u>counted</u>.

Any single and double jumps (including Double Axel) <u>cannot</u> be executed <u>more than twice</u> in total. **Rule 612, para 2, part Repetitions:** <u>If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not</u> <u>according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.</u> Triple jumps are <u>NOT</u> permitted.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation)

One (1) Spin combination: a spin combination with a change of foot minimum eight (8) revolutions or without a change of foot minimum six (6) revolutions.

<u>One (1) Spin with no change of position</u>: a spin in one position with a change of foot minimum eight (8) revolutions or spin in one position without a change of foot minimum six (6) revolutions. In both spins flying entries ARE allowed.

The minimum of required revolutions must be counted from the entry of the spin until its exit (except final wind-up in spins in one position spin).

c) There must be one (1) step sequence with fully utilizing the ice surface.

The Program components are only judged in:

- Skating Skills
- Performance

Component factor: 2.5

LEVEL EXPLANATION:

All elements, which are subject to levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted.

Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

If a **double Axel (2A)** is executed and called by the Technical Panel (no < or <<) in the program, a bonus of 0.5 will be given even if there is a fall.

FALL -0.5 Pt: A Fall is defined as loss of control by a Skater with the result that the majority of his/her own body weight is on the ice supported by any other part of the body other than the blades e.g. hand(s), knee(s), buttock(s), or any part of the arm (Rule 503, para1).

NOVICE B

Has reached a least the age of thirteen (13) by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys. Has not reached the age of fifteen (15) by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys.

Only skaters with a Novice B level and/or Advanced Novice level can participate in this category.

Free Skating Program for Girls & Boys: 3:00 min +/- 10 sec.

Warm-up: **6 minutes.** Warm-up groups can be maximum up to eight (8) skaters. Vocal music is allowed in this category. There will be **no** Bonus for jump elements performed in the second half of the Free Program.

A well balanced Free Skating program for singles B must contain:

(According ISU communication n° 2024)

a) Maximum of <u>five (5) jump elements for Girls</u> one of which must be an Axel type jump. Maximum of <u>six (6) jump elements for Boys</u> one of which must be an Axel type jump.

There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences.

A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps.

A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but <u>only the two most difficult jumps will</u> <u>be counted.</u>

Only <u>two (2) jumps</u> with two and a half (2 $\frac{1}{2}$) or more revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.

Any single, double (including Double Axel) or triple jumps cannot be executed more than twice in total.

Rule 612, para 2, part Repetitions: If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.

a) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation)

One (1) Spin combination: a spin combination with a change of foot minimum of eight (8 revolutions or without a change of foot minimum six (6) revolutions.

One (1) Spin with no change of position: a spin in one position with a change of foot minimum eight (8) revolutions or without change of foot minimum six (6) revolutions.

In both spins flying entries ARE allowed.

The minimum of required revolutions must be counted from the entry of the spin until its exit (except final wind-up in spins in one position spin).

c) There must be one (1) step sequence with fully utilizing the ice surface.

The Program Components are only judged in:

- Skating Skills
- Performance
- Interpretation of the Music

Component factor for Girls: 1.7

Component factor for Boys: 2.0

LEVEL EXPLANATION:

All elements, which are subject to levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

If a **double Axel (2A) and/or a triple jump** is executed and called by the Technical Panel (no < or <<) in the program, a bonus of 0.5 will be given even if there is a fall.

FALL -0.5 Pt: A Fall is defined as loss of control by a Skater with the result that the majority of his/her own body weight is on the ice supported by any other part of the body other than the blades e.g. hand(s), knee(s), buttock(s), or any part of the arm (Rule 503, para1).

ADVANCED NOVICE

Has reached a least the age of ten (10) by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys. Has not reached the age of fifteen (15) by July 1st preceding the competition for Girls and Boys.

Only skaters with an Advanced Novice level and/or Junior level can participate in this category.

Short Program for Girls and Boys: 2:20 min +/- 10 sec.

Free Skating Program for Girls: 3:00 min +/- 10 sec. **Free Skating Program for Boys**: 3:30 min +/- 10 sec.

Warm-up: 6 minutes. Warm-up groups can be maximum up to eight (8) skaters.

Vocal music is allowed in Short and or Free Skating in this Category.

There will be **no** Bonus for jump elements performed in the second half of the Short and Free Skating Program.

The **Short Program for Boys** shall consist of the following elements: (According ISU Communication n° 2024)

- a) Single Axel or double Axel.
- b) Double or triple jump immediately preceded by connecting steps, may not repeat jump a).
- c) **One (1) jump combination** consisting of two (2) double jumps or one double and one triple jump, both jumps may not repeat jump a) or b).
- d) **Camel, sit or <u>upright</u> spin** with change of foot and NO flying entrance (minimum five (5) revolutions on each foot).
- e) Spin combination with only one change of foot (minimum five (5) revolutions on each foot) Flying entry IS allowed.
- f) **One (1) step sequence** fully utilizing the ice surface.

The Short Program for Girls shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Single Axel or double Axel.
- b) Double or triple jump immediately preceded by connecting steps, may not repeat jump a).
- c) **One (1) jump combination** consisting of two (2) double jumps or one double and one triple jump, both jumps may not repeat jump a) or b).
- d) Layback/Sideways leaning spin <u>or spin in one basic position</u> with NO change of foot (minimum six (6) revolutions).
- e) **Spin combination with only one change of foot** (minimum five (5) revolutions on each foot). Flying entry IS allowed.
- f) One (1) step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface.

Rule 611, para 4, part Jump combination: If the same jump is executed as a solo jump and as a part of the jump combination, the repeated jump will not be counted (if this repetition is in a jump combination, only the individual jump which is not according to the above requirements will not be counted). If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirements will have

no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.

A well balanced Free Skating Program for Advanced Novice Girls and Boys must contain:

a) Maximum <u>6 jump elements for Girls</u> one of which must be an Axel type jump. Maximum <u>7 jump elements for Boys</u> one of which must be an Axel type jump.

There may be up to <u>two (2) jump combinations or sequences</u>. A jump combination can contain only <u>two (2) jumps</u>. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only the <u>two most difficult jumps will be</u> <u>counted</u>. Only <u>two (2) jumps with three (3) or more revolutions</u> can be repeated either in a jump

combination or in a jump sequence.

Any single, double (including Double Axel) or triple jumps cannot be executed more than twice in total.

Rule 612, para 2, part Repetitions: If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirement will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.

 b) There must be a maximum of <u>two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation)</u>
<u>One (1) spin combination:</u> a spin combination <u>with change of foot</u> minimum eight (8) revolutions. Flying entrance is NOT allowed.

One (1) flying spin or spin with a flying entrance: a flying spin minimum six (6) revolutions or a spin in one position with change of foot and a flying entrance minimum eight (8) revolutions. The minimum of required revolutions must be counted from the entry of the spin until its exit (except final wind-up in spins in one position spin).

c) There must be one (1) step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface.

The Program Components are only judged in:

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance
- Interpretation of the Music

Component factor short for Girls:0.8Component factor free for Girls:1.6Component factor short for Boys:0.9Component factor free for Boys:1.8

LEVEL EXPLANATION:

All elements, which are subject to levels, only features up to **Level 3** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

In short and free program, if a **double Axel (2A) and/or a triple jump** is executed and called by the Technical Panel (no < or <<) in the program, a bonus of 0.5 will be given even if there is a fall.

FALL -0.5 Pt: A Fall is defined as loss of control by a Skater with the result that the majority of his/her own body weight is on the ice supported by any other part of the body other than the blades e.g. hand(s), knee(s), buttock(s), or any part of the arm (Rule 503, para1).

JUNIOR

Has reached a least the age of thirteen (13) by July 1st preceding the competition for Ladies and Men. Has not reached the age of nineteen (19) by July 1st preceding the competition for Ladies and Men.

Only skaters with a Junior level and/or Senior level can participate in this category.

Short Program for Ladies & Men: 2:40 min +/- 10 sec.

Free Skating Program for Ladies: 3:30 min +/- 10 sec. Free Skating Program for Men: 4:00 min +/- 10 sec.

Warm-up: 6 minutes. Warm-up groups can be maximum up to six (6) skaters.

Vocal music is allowed in this Category.

There will be a Bonus for jump elements performed in the second half of the Short and Free Skating Program.

The Short Program for Men shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Double or triple Axel
- b) Double or triple <u>Loop</u> jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or by other comparable Free Skating movements
- c) <u>Jump combination</u> consisting of a double and a triple or two triple jumps
- d) <u>Flying camel spin</u> (minimum of eight (8) revolutions)
- e) Sit spin with only one change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions on each foot)
- f) Spin combination with only one change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions on each foot)
- g) Steps sequence fully utilizing the ice surface

The Short Program for Ladies shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Double Axel
- b) Double or triple <u>Loop</u> jump immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or by other comparable Free Skating movements
- c) <u>Jump combination</u> consisting of two double jumps or one double and one triple jump or two triple jumps
- d) <u>Flying camel spin</u> (minimum of eight (8) revolutions)
- e) Layback/Sideways leaning spin or sit spin WITHOUT change of foot (minimum eight (8) revolutions)
- f) Spin combination with only one change of foot (minimum six (6) revolutions on each foot)
- g) Step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface

Rule 611, para 4, part Jump combinations: If the same jump is executed as a solo jump and as a part of the jump combination, the repeated jump will not be counted (if this repetition is in a jump combination, only the individual jump which is not according to the above requirements will not be counted). If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.

For more remarks: see ISU SPECIAL REGULATION & TECHNICAL RULES – SINGLE AND PAIR SKATING Rule 611 Short Program Singles.

A well balanced Free Skating Program for Junior Ladies and Men must contain:

- a) Maximum of seven (7) jump elements for Ladies, one of which must be an Axel type jump Maximum of eight (8) jump elements for Men, one of which must be an Axel type jump Rule 612, para 2, part Repetitions: If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.
- b) Maximum of <u>three (3) spins</u>
 <u>A spin combination</u> with or without change of foot (minimum ten (10) revolutions in total)
 <u>A flying spin or spin with flying entrance</u> with or without change of foot
 (minimum six (6) revolutions in total)
 <u>A spin in one position</u> with or without change of foot (minimum six (6) revolutions in total)
- c) Maximum of one (1) step sequence

For more remarks:

see ISU SPECIAL REGULATION & TECHNICAL RULES – SINGLE AND PAIR SKATING Rule 612 Free Skating Singles

The program components:

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance
- Composition
- Interpretation of the Music

Component factor Short for Ladies:0.8Component factor Free for Ladies:1.6Component factor Short for Men:1.0Component factor Free for Men:2.0

LEVEL EXPLANATION:

All elements, which are subject to levels, only features up to **Level 4** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

In short and free program, if **a triple jump** is executed and called by the Technical Panel (no < or <<) in the program, a bonus of 1.0 will be given even if there is a fall.

FALL -1.0 Pt: A Fall is defined as loss of control by a Skater with the result that the majority of his/her own body weight is on the ice supported by any other part of the body other than the blades e.g. hand(s), knee(s), buttock(s), or any part of the arm (Rule 503, para1).

SENIOR

Has reached a least the age of fifteen (15) by July 1st preceding the competition for Ladies and Men.

Only skaters with a Senior and/or Master level can participate in this category.

Short Program for Ladies & Men: 2:40 min +/- 10 sec.

Free Skating Program for Ladies: 4:00 min +/- 10 sec. **Free Skating Program for Men**: 4:30 min +/- 10 sec.

Warm-up: **6 minutes.** Warm-up groups can be maximum up to six (6) skaters. Vocal music is allowed in this Category. There will be a Bonus for jump elements performed in the second half of the Short and Free Skating Program.

The Short Program for Men shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Double or triple Axel
- b) <u>Triple or quadruple jump</u> immediately by connecting steps and/or other comparable Free Skating movements
- c) <u>Jump combination</u> consisting of a double jump and a triple jump or two triple jumps or a quadruple and a double jump or a triple jump
- d) Flying spin (minimum of eight (8) revolutions)
- e) Camel or sit spin with only one change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions on each foot)
- f) Spin combination with only one change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions on each foot)
- g) Step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface

The Short Program for Ladies shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Double or triple Axel
- b) <u>Triple jump</u> immediately preceded by connecting steps and/or other comparable Free Skating movements
- c) Jump combination consisting of a double and a triple jump or two triple jumps
- d) <u>Flying spin</u> (minimum of eight (8) revolutions)
- e) Layback/Sideways leaning spin or sit/camel spin WITHOUT change of foot (minimum eight (8) revs. in this position)
- f) Spin combination with only one change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions on each foot)
- g) Step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface

Rule 611, para 4, part Jump combinations: If the same jump is executed as a solo jump and as a part of the jump combination, the repeated jump will not be counted (if this repetition is in a jump combination, only the individual jump which is not according to the above requirements will not be counted). If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.

For more remarks: See ISU SPECIAL REGULATION & TECHNICAL RULES – SINGLE AND PAIR SKATING Rule 611 Short program Singles

A well balanced Free Skating Program for Senior Ladies and Men must contain:

- a) Maximum of seven (7) jump elements for Ladies, one of which must be an Axel type jump Maximum of eight (8) jump elements for Men, one of which must be an Axel type jump Rule 612, para 2, part Repetitions: If an extra jump(s) is executed, only the individual jump(s) which is not according to the requirements will have no value. The jumps are considered in the order of execution.
- b) Maximum of <u>three (3) spins</u>
 <u>A spin combination</u> with or without change of foot (minimum ten (10) revolutions in total)
 <u>A flying spin or spin with flying entrance</u> with or without change of foot
 (minimum six (6) revolutions in total)
 <u>A spin in one position</u> with or without change of foot (minimum six (6) revolutions in total)
- c) Maximum of one (1) step sequence
- d) Maximum of one (1) choreographic sequence

For more remarks:

See ISU SPECIAL REGULATION & TECHNICAL RULES – SINGLE AND PAIR SKATING Rule 612 Free Skating Singles

The program components:

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance
- Composition
- Interpretation of the Music

Component factor Short for Ladies:0.8Component factor Free for Ladies:1.6Component factor Short for Men:1.0Component factor Free for Men:2.0

LEVEL EXPLANATION:

All elements, which are subject to levels, only features up to **Level 4** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

Increase deduction for multiple falls in Senior Single Skating: -1.0 for the first and second fall, -2.0 for the third and fourth falls, -3.0 for the fifth and any further falls.

A Fall is defined as loss of control by a Skater with the result that the majority of his/her own body weight is on the ice supported by any other part of the body other than the blades e.g. hand(s), knee(s), buttock(s), or any part of the arm (Rule 503, para1).