



Nonqualifying Synchronized Competition Judge Appointment Guidelines

General Comments

1. A Nonqualifying Synchronized Competition Appointment is **not** a pre-requisite to obtaining a Junior Sectional Synchronized Competition Appointment.
2. It is understood that judges with Nonqualifying Competition Appointments will be actively working toward obtaining a Bronze Test Appointment, if they have not obtained one already.
3. Judges with Nonqualifying Synchronized Competition Appointments are qualified to judge all levels in synchronized skating at nonqualifying competitions.
4. A minority of a judging panel at a nonqualifying competition event can consist of judges with only a Nonqualifying Competition Appointment.

Criteria to Obtain Nonqualifying Synchronized Competition Appointment

1. **Synchronized Skating**: Must be a current or former competitor at the collegiate, junior or senior level at the U.S. Synchronized Skating Championships

A candidate may not take the nonqualifying competition appointment test unless they have met the above criteria.

Guidelines to Obtain Nonqualifying Synchronized Competition Appointment

To apply for this appointment, the candidate must complete **one of the following**:

1. **Judges School**:
 - a. Attend a judges school approved by the Judges Committee for that purpose **and**
 - b. Pass a proficiency test with a minimum passing grade of 80%. The test will cover all aspects of competition judging, including but not limited to ethics, element identification, 6.0 rules and IJS rules.

OR

2. **Trial Judging**:
 - a. Trial judge a minimum of six segments at a competition approved by the Judges Committee for trial judging
 - i. Each segment must consist of at least six teams.
 - ii. Must include at least one event judged under the 6.0 system and at least one event judged under IJS.
 - iii. Must include both short program and free skate events.
 - b. If the JET determines that the candidate is eligible to take the exam, a proficiency test will thereafter be sent to the candidate. That test must be passed with a minimum passing grade of 80%. The test will cover all aspects of competition judging, including but not limited to ethics, element identification, 6.0 rules and IJS rules.