

# **COMPETITION APPOINTMENT GUIDELINES: Singles and Pairs**

## **REGIONAL COMPETITION JUDGE**

### **Judging Appointment Requirements:**

- Silver Singles & Pairs Test or higher

### **Trial Judging Eligibility:**

- Judges can pursue Silver Singles & Pairs Test and Regional Competition appointments at the same time

### **Judges School:**

- IJS school within four years prior to application submission

### **Element ID:                   90% required to pass (average across all events)**

- Candidates must pass the Element ID (singles and pairs) to be considered for an appointment. If a candidate does not pass the Element ID, then the appointment will be returned to the monitor with a letter of explanation.

### **Appointment Exam:   80% required to pass**

### **Competition Activity:**

- Must demonstrate a commitment to being an active judge in both the testing and competition systems.
- Should judge nonqualifying competitions throughout the year and not limit this activity only to competitions that offer trial judging opportunities. All competition activity should be tracked and submitted with application for appointment.
- Should have judged juvenile, intermediate, novice, and junior events at several nonqualifying competitions.

### **Trial Judge Competition Activity for STANDARD CANDIDATE:**

- Only IJS activity counts toward promotion
- Singles events to be trial judged:
  1. Three juvenile free skate events
  2. Three complete singles events in each category intermediate, novice, junior and senior (minimum of three short program/three free skate in each event)\*\*
- Pairs events to be trial judged:
  1. Nine short programs total, with at least two pairs represented from each level (novice – junior). Senior pairs do count for activity as well, but are not required to be included in the nine short programs.
  2. 12 free skate programs total, with at least two pairs represented from each level (juvenile – junior). Senior pairs do count for activity as well, but are not required to be included in the 12 free skate programs.
- Must trial judge at least two regional or one regional and one US Junior championships (can be same year)

## **COMPETITION APPOINTMENT GUIDELINES: Singles and Pairs**

### **Trial Judge Competition Activity for ACCELERATED CANDIDATE:**

- Only IJS activity counts toward promotion
- Singles events to be trial judged:
  1. One juvenile free skate event
  2. One complete singles event in each category intermediate, novice, junior and senior\*\*
- Pairs events to be trial judged:
  1. Nine short programs total, with at least two pairs represented from each level (novice – junior). Senior pairs do count for activity as well, but are not required to be included in the nine short programs.
  2. 12 free skate programs total, with at least two pairs represented from each level (juvenile – junior). Senior pairs do count for activity as well, but are not required to be included in the 12 free skate programs.
- Must trial judge at least one regional or US Junior Championships

### **Trial Judge Competition Activity for SELECT CANDIDATE:**

- Will be determined by the appropriate SVC and Judges Chair

### **Trial Judge Opportunities:**

- Regionals, designated nonqualifying competitions, and US Junior Championships.
- Sectionals (Only pair events will be made available to prospective regional competition RC) candidate judges for official trial judge activity. RC prospective candidates may practice judge other events which will count toward CEUs, but these events will not offer formal event reviews by a designated JET. Prospective RC judges will have to apply to trial sectionals and be accepted based on prior judging and trial judging experience.)

\*\* If the JETs determine that only a portion of an event is to be trial judged because of scheduling conflicts, Element ID exercises, large number of skaters, or any reason they determine appropriate, the event will be counted as a complete event. The guideline is written to prevent trial judges from judging a few skaters in one event and then in another, at their discretion, and still count this activity toward meeting the requirements of judging an entire event. We need to determine that trial judges are able to concentrate for an extended period of time and sit through long events.

# COMPETITION APPOINTMENT GUIDELINES: Singles and Pairs

## **SECTIONAL COMPETITION JUDGE**

### **Judging Appointment Requirements:**

- Gold Singles & Pairs Test

### **Trial Judging Eligibility:**

- Judges can pursue Gold Singles & Pairs Test and Sectional Competition appointments at the same time

### **Judges School:**

- IJS school within four years prior to application submission

### **Element ID: 90% required to pass (for each portion: singles and pairs)**

Candidates must pass the Element ID (singles and pairs) to be considered for an appointment. If a candidate does not pass the Element ID, then the appointment will be returned to the monitor with a letter of explanation.

### **Appointment Exam: 80% required to pass**

### **Competition Activity:**

- Must judge at least one regionals.
- Must demonstrate a commitment to being an active judge in both the testing and competition systems.
- Should judge nonqualifying competitions throughout the year and not limit this activity only to competitions that offer trial judging opportunities. All competition activity should be tracked and submitted with application for appointment.
- Should have judged juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior, and senior events at several nonqualifying competitions and regionals.
- Should have judged a pair event at a nonqualifying competition
- If assigned to judge a final round juvenile or final round intermediate event at regionals or a designated nonqualifying competition, the event will count toward the Sectional Competition (SC) appointment trial activity as long as the judge attends and participates in the critique/roundtable.
- If assigned to judge a novice, junior or senior event at regionals or a designated nonqualifying competition, the event will count toward Sectional Competition appointment trial activity as long as the judge attends and participates in the critique/roundtable.

### **Trial Judge Competition Activity for STANDARD CANDIDATE:**

- Only IJS Activity counts toward promotion
- Singles events to be trial judged/judged:
  1. One final round juvenile free skate event (either final rounds at regionals or US Junior Championships)
  2. One final round intermediate free skate event (either final round at regionals or US Junior Championships)
  3. Three complete singles events (minimum of three short program/three free skate) in novice, junior, and senior events\*\*

## **COMPETITION APPOINTMENT GUIDELINES: Singles and Pairs**

- Pairs events to be trial judged:
  1. Eight short programs total with at least two pairs from each level, novice, junior, and senior
  2. Eight free skate programs total with at least two pairs from each level, novice, junior and senior
  3. One juvenile pair event at sectionals or US Junior Championships
  4. One intermediate pair event at sectionals or US Junior Championships
  
- Must trial judge at least one sectional and one US Junior Championships (can be same year)

### **Trial Judge Competition Activity for ACCELERATED CANDIDATE:**

- Only IJS Activity counts toward promotion
- Singles events to be trial judged/judged:
  1. One final round juvenile free skate event (either final round at regionals or US Junior Championships)
  2. One final round intermediate free skate event (either final round at regionals or US Junior Championships)
  3. One complete singles event in novice, junior, and senior events\*\*
- Pairs events to be trial judged:
  1. Eight short programs total with at least two pairs from each level, novice, junior, and senior
  2. Eight free skate programs total with at least two pairs from each level, novice, junior and senior
  3. One juvenile pair event at sectionals or US Junior Championships
  4. One Intermediate pair event at sectionals or US Junior Championships
  5. Must trial judge at least one sectional or US Junior Championships

### **Trial Judge Competition Activity for SELECT CANDIDATE:**

- Will be determined by the SVC and Judges Chair

### **Trial Judge Opportunities:**

- Designated nonqualifying competitions, sectionals and US Junior Championships

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