

Team Victoria Selection Policy

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Related Policies/ Procedures/Forms:	Bye and Special Consideration Policy		

1. Purpose

To outline the qualification requirements and selection process for Victorian Athletes attending the Australian Figure Skating Championships as part of Team Victoria.

2. Application

This policy applies to Athletes seeking selection for a place in Team Victoria.

3. Team Victoria

3.1 Selection Criteria

To be eligible, all athletes must have:

- a. Competed at the Victorian Figure Skating Championships of that Championship year, or received a bye under the *Bye and Special Consideration Policy*. A withdrawal mid event requires the submission of an application of a bye under the *Bye and Special Consideration Policy*. Athletes seeking selection in either Junior or Senior Singles, Pairs or Ice Dance are exempt from competing at the Victorian Figure Skating Championships.
- b. Obtained a Team Victoria Qualification Score as outlined in section four (4) of this policy.

3.2 Final date for qualifying

Saturday October 16 2021 is the last day to be considered for Team Victoria. No scores attained after this date will be considered for direct selection.

3.3 Rankings

Athletes who meet the Selection Criteria will be ranked based on their highest obtained Team Victoria Qualification Score for each of the AFSC divisions.

Carry over scores do not hold any special weighting in the ranking process.

3.4 Selection process

Those Athletes ranked in the top four (4) will be selected for Team Victoria. When the AFSC is held in Victoria, the top five (5) Athletes will be selected as per ISA Rule 610. From time to time ISA may allocate additional places to Victorian Athletes.

If allocated places remain after all ranked athletes have either been selected or selected Athletes turned down their place, the Board may consider sending one (1) discretionary Athlete per division. Discretionary Athletes will be determined on a case by case basis. Discretionary Athletes are Athletes who do not meet all aspects of the Selection Criteria. Individual circumstances will be taken into consideration including, but not limited to:

- a. Competition history
- b. Individual progress and development

The Board can not select more Athletes than places allocated by ISA.

Any Director of the Board who has an association with an athlete in consideration for selection must declare their association and abstain from any discussion or vote for the selection of the athlete in question, or the selection of any other athletes in the same division.

An association with an athlete may include, but is not limited to:

- a. Family member of the athlete
- b. Spouse or partner of the athlete
- c. Providing financial support to the athlete
- d. Providing services to the athlete for financial gain
- e. Spouse or partner of person providing services to the athlete for financial gain

4. Team Victoria Qualifying Score

4.1 Calculation of score

The Team Victoria Qualifying Score is the Technical Element Score (TES) from a baseline program.

The TES is calculated based on the competition requirements for each division and the ISU Scale of Values. The Board, in consultation with a senior judge, will develop a baseline program for each division. This program, in most instances, will use a Base value for each element and a Grade of Execution score of zero (0).

The Board reserves the right to generate a Team Victoria Qualifying Score using unconventional means, if the situation arises.

Scores may be adjusted up or down during the season based on ISA or ISU rule changes.

4.2 Eligible events

- a. Victorian Figure Skating Championships
- b. Any ISA Benchmark/Champ Series event in Australia
- c. New Zealand Ice Figure Skating Championships

- d. An International Skating Union approved International event
- e. Other interstate and international competitions may be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Board

4.3 Table of scores - 2020

Division	TES	Division	TES
Basic Novice Ladies (FS)	9.7	Basic Novice Men (FS)	9.7
Intermediate Novice Ladies (FS)	10.5	Intermediate Novice Men (FS)	10.5
Intermediate Ladies (FS)	10.5	Intermediate Men (FS)	10.5
Advanced Novice Ladies (SP)	10.4	Advanced Novice Men (SP)	10.8
Junior Ladies	13.0	Junior Men	13.4
Senior Ladies	14.7	Senior Men	18.0
Senior Dance	14.6	Adult Pairs	7.0
Adult Silver Ladies	9.0	Adult Silver Men	9.0
Adult Gold Ladies	9.5	Adult Gold Men	9.5
Adult Masters Ladies	12.0	Adult Masters Men	12.0
Adult Elite Masters Ladies	12.0	Adult Elite Masters Men	12.0
Adult Synchronized	10.5 TBC	Basic Novice Synchronized	TBC
Mixed Age Synchronized	TBC	Advanced Novice Synchronized	TBC
Junior Synchronised	TBC	Senior Synchronized	TBC

Scores listed as TBC are not yet finalised and are awaiting ISU rule changes to be published.

- SP - Short Program
- FS - Free Skate
- FD - Free Dance
- RD - Rhythm Dance

4.4 Carry over score

An Athlete can obtain a carry over score in the previous season and have it count as a Team Victorian Qualification Score in the current season.

Carry over scores can be obtained in three ways, by:

- i. Achieving a Team Victoria Qualification Score four (4) times in the same season.

- ii. Achieving a Team Victoria Qualification Score two (2) times in the same season, and achieving a Team Victoria Qualification Score at the Australian Figure Skating Championships.
- iii. Achieving a season's best Team Victoria Qualification Score at the Australian Figure Skating Championships.

The highest obtained score will form the carry over score.

Carry over scores are subject to the following provisions:

- i. If a singles Athlete moves up divisions, other than from Intermediate Novice to Intermediate, their carry over score is not lost
- ii. If a Pairs, Ice Dance or Synchronized team changes division, their carry over score is lost
- iii. If a Pair or Ice Dance team obtains a carry over score and splits and reforms with new partners, their carry over score is lost
- iv. If a Synchronized team obtains a carry over score and then the team composition changes resulting in more than a 25% change in the original team, their carry over score is lost

4.5 Intermediate Novice ageing out

Any Athlete who has a Team Victoria Qualifying Score in Intermediate Novice and surpasses the age restrictions into Intermediate during the competition season will be allowed to retain their scores achieved in the former division for the purpose of being selected for Team Victoria.

This provision only applies to the Intermediate Novice division as the program requirements and program duration are the same as Intermediate.

5. Definitions

ISV	Ice Skating Victoria
ISA	Ice Skating Australia

6. Version history

Version	Approval date	Changes
9.0	Jan 2021	New policy name, relocation of VFSC Standard Score to a seperate policy.
8.0	Jun 2020	
7.0	Dec 2019	
6.0	Apr 2018	
5.0	May 2017	
4.0	May 2016	
3.0	Sep 2015	
2.0	Jun 2014	
1.0	Feb 2013	Initial version