



SKATE WA ARTISTIC COMMITTEE
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR 2018 ARTISTIC LEAGUES

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER:

Skate Australia Competitive members

Mini Rollers & Exhibition Skaters must be registered as Development skaters with Skate Australia

FEES:

Description:	Total (GST Inc)
Registration - Per Skater:	\$ 29.00
Nomination - Per Event:	\$ 15.00
Maximum per Skater:	\$ 62.00
Maximum per Family:	\$ 120.00

Mini Rollers & Exhibition Skaters need to pay Development (\$55) membership therefore all leagues (excluding Novice championships) will be covered for insurance and no further payment is necessary for competitions.

Late Nominations: (LEAGUES ONLY)

1. Club:

Summary Sheets with accompanying Nomination Forms and Club cheque must be received by (L Kealley) at the close of nominations date.

Any Club submitting their Nominations after closing date will be charged a late penalty of \$20.00.

2. Individual:

Late Nominations will be accepted up to 14 days prior to competition at a charge of \$15.00 per skater **per Event**.

NO LATE NOMINATIONS ON THE DAY are accepted for any event (including Mini Rollers).

NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Skaters must be Competitive Skate Australia members

Mini Rollers & Exhibition skaters must be registered with Skate Australia as Development members

FEES:

Description:	Total (GST Inc)
Registration:	\$42.00 per Skater
For second Skater in Family	\$35.00
For third Skater in Family	\$30.00
For fourth or more Skaters per Family	\$25.00
Nomination:	\$20.00
Mini Rollers & Exhibition Skaters:	\$15.00

(NO LATE NOMINATIONS)

AGE:

Where age determines the eligibility for entry into a particular grade, it shall be decided by the age in years of the skater on 1st January of that skating year i.e. 01/01/18 for this skating year.

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COMPETITIVE GRADES:

Four sets of grades will be available for skaters to enter.

- The first is Development. Development skaters will be able to compete at League competitions. In the Novice Championships, development grades may be included as invitation (non-championship) events. Development is a beginner level intended to cater for the very beginner, and is only permitted for one year unless written permission is given by the Skate WA Artistic Committee.
- The second set is the Novice Levels, intended for the beginner and less advanced skaters. These skaters are eligible to skate at the Novice Championships.
- The third set comprises the National Grades. These are Tiny Tot, Preliminary, Advanced, Masters, Advanced Masters, Open, Inline Couples and Inline Open. Skaters in these grades may enter League competitions, State and National Championships.
- The fourth set comprises the International grades namely Primary, Juvenile, Cadet, Youth, Junior, Senior, Inline Junior and Inline Senior. Skaters in these grades may enter League competitions, State and National Championships, and will be able to compete in a range of international competitions.

Skaters may enter only one grade per discipline, except as allowed by the rules of Novice Figures and precision, and skaters nominated for an event in the Oceania Championships with higher requirement than their normal event.

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER - "NOVICE LEVELS" - ALL DISCIPLINES

The coach should grade the skaters into an appropriate "Level" according to their ability.

Any Skate WA Competitive Member skater may enter any Level (subject to any age restrictions in the following rules) and may stay in that Level until they are ready to proceed to a higher Level.

Skaters wishing to move to a lower Level in league competition must receive written approval from the Skate WA Artistic Committee.

Any Novice event with 15 or more skaters may be split into two (2) equal groups with the first Group being the larger should an odd number of nominations be received.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL GRADE SKATERS, ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER "NOVICE LEVELS"

Skaters whose highest competitive grade is Tiny Tot, Primary, Juvenile, Masters may enter any novice level in another discipline.

Those whose highest competitive grade is Cadet or Preliminary must receive the written approval of the Skate WA Artistic Committee prior to the close of nominations, if they wish to enter a level 1 event.

Other skaters are only able to compete at level 2 and above in other disciplines.

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL GRADES

Any Skate WA Competitive Member skater may enter any National or International Grade event, provided that they are eligible under the "Rules of the Australian Artistic Committee".

Such skaters may enter a grade higher than their own for the leagues, but they are not permitted to move to a lower grade in league competition without written application to, and the approval of Skate WA Artistic committee.

In the State Championships skaters may skate in any grade for which they are eligible by the rules of the Australian Championships regardless of the grade in which they skate at the leagues.

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EVENTS WITH MULTIPLE PARTS

In League competitions, the International grades Juvenile, Cadet and Youth, where there are two parts or more to the event (any of compulsory dance, free dance, freeskating short and long program) skaters must nominate for each separately and each part will be run and judged as a separate event. This permits skaters not intending to proceed to the National Championships to compete at these levels.

For State Championships the events will be combined as per National Championship requirements. Skaters must skate in all parts of the event concerned.

In League competitions, where requirements match sufficiently, and depending on the numbers of entrants, any of these separate part events may be combined into one competitive event. This applies at least to:

- Juvenile and Preliminary Solo Freedance
- Cadet, Youth and Advanced Solo Free Dance
- Open, Cadet and Youth Short Program

NOVICE LEVELS:

NOVICE FREESKATING - There are two grades, Level 1 and Level 2. The two grades may be entered by skaters of any age.

NOVICE INLINE FREESKATING: There is one grade, Open. This grade may be entered by skaters of any age except 'A' grade quad skaters (unless they have had written permission from Skate WA). Vocal music is permitted for the Novice Inline free skating. Obscene words in any language will carry a penalty of 2.0 from the "B" mark at the discretion of the referee.

NOVICE DANCE: There are 2 grades, Level 1 and Level 2. The two grades may be entered by skaters of any age.

NOVICE OSP: There is one novice OSP grade - Open.

NOVICE SOLO DANCE (QUADS OR IN LINE) - There is 2 grades, Level 1 and Level 2. The two grades may be entered by skaters of any age.

NOVICE SOLO CREATIVE DANCE: There is one grade, Open. This grade may be entered by skaters of any age.

OPEN SOLO FREE DANCE: This event is open to all skaters from Novice to A Grade skaters and can be skated at the State Championships as well as Novice Championships as one group and calculated as one group.

NOVICE FIGURES: There are 6 grades, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 & Level 4. Open Loop Challenge and Open Mohawk Figure can be entered in addition to one of the other 4 levels.

NOVICE PRECISION/QUARTET: There is one novice precision and one novice quartet grade. The "Open Novice" grade shall be entered by skaters of any age. Other team membership rules are as per their "A" Grade equivalents with the exception that the number of skaters in Novice Precision is a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 24.

"A" GRADES:

All "A" Grades will be entered according to the rules for the grades set out in the "Rules of the Australian Artistic Committee".

REQUIREMENTS:

The requirements schedule for the NOVICE LEVELS will be set by Skate WA requirements committee and ratified at the Skate WA AGM each skating year.

The requirements schedule for the "A" GRADES will be Australian Championship Requirements, set by the A.A.C. Requirements Committee and ratified by the Australian Artistic Committee.

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For the first league of each year only (and the last if it is after the Nationals and Novice Championships) the first element of "A" grade, multi-program and dance events will be compulsory, with the other elements being optional. In each subsequent league ALL elements will be compulsory.

MOVE UP RULES:

Skaters may choose to move to a higher grade at any time, however skaters may not move to a lower grade without written application to and approval from Skate WA. Any reasonable request to move to a lower grade will be looked on favourably.

There is no compulsory move up rules for "Novice Level". And a membership level change is required for "Development Level".

Skaters may not compete in a grade lower than their age permits according to the rules.

DRAWS FOR FIGURES:

NOVICE LEVELS: The starting foot and group (when required) draw for leagues will be released on the Friday two weeks prior to the competition. For the Novice Championships the draw shall be released on the Friday one month prior to the Championship.

"A" GRADES: The starting foot and group (when required) draw for leagues will be released on the Friday two weeks prior to the competition, this will also include Junior International, and starting foot draw released the day before the competition and Senior International skaters who will have both group and starting foot draw released the day before the competition.

MISCELLANEOUS GRADE RULES:

In ALL figure, "A" Grade Free skating under 12 years of age, Novice Free skating and Solo Dance events, males and females of the same grade will skate against each other in the one event.

Competitors in Solo Dance Events will be judged individually in a continuous rotation (refer to CAOC rules).

Competitors in single skater events will have the option to transfer their nomination to another event provided they do not compete in a lower grade.

These Rules are to be read with and are additional to the "Rules of the Australian Artistic Committee", "Requirements for Novice Levels 2018" and "2018 Australian Championship Artistic Requirements" and "Rules of the Commissioned Artistic Officials Committee".

MINI ROLLERS AND EXHIBITION SKATE:

MINI ROLLERS; Skaters will need to pay Development (\$55) membership therefore nomination fee for leagues is exempt (excluding Novice Championship). This may be entered by any child up to 9 years of age and who has not skated any free skating event except "Mini Rollers".

This event will be skated with all skaters on the floor at the same time, to background music supplied by Skate WA.

As this is an exhibition event, a certificate of participation will be given to each skater.

One parent may accompany each skater in the marshalling area for the "Mini Rollers" event.

EXHIBITION SKATE: Skaters need to pay Development (\$55) membership therefore nomination fee for leagues is exempt (excluding Novice Championship). This may be entered by any child 9 years and over who has not skated any free skating event except "Mini Rollers" or "Exhibition Skate".

This event will be skated with all skaters on the floor at the same time, to background music supplied by Skate WA.

As this is an exhibition event, a certificate of participation will be given to each skater.

COACHES & TEAM OFFICIALS:

- Only fully accredited coaches to be allowed in the marshalling area at all competitions and proficiency tests. Coaches who are in training for Development are allowed in the marshalling area for leagues only with their nominated Mentor coach. If a coaches accreditation expiry date has passed and they have not submitted the

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renewal to the WA Coaches Chairman they will not be allowed in the marshalling area. All coaches must also be fully paid up Skate Australia members.

- All skaters need to be at the venue 1 hour prior to commencement of their event
- All skaters must remain in the marshalling area until the finish of their event out of courtesy to their fellow skaters.
- All skaters must be in costume and skates when being presented with medals, the exception being when a skater has been judging prior to presentation.
- All skaters' axles need to be checked by the Marshall prior to skating on a wooden floor
- Coaches **MUST** follow the directions of Marshals, Championship Director, Assistant Championship Directors and Referees with regards to the running of an event.
- Club and Precision Team Managers may be in the marshalling area with the team provided Skate WA is advised in writing as to the name of their official team manager.

AWARDS:

Awards will be presented for skaters placing First, Second or third in all events.

Special Awards will be given at the end of the year to A Grade and Novice skaters who achieve the most points by placing in Leagues /Championship throughout the year.

POINTS AWARDED: First place: 8 points - Second place: 4 points - Third place: 2 points

SPECIAL CASES AFFECTING AWARDS:

DANCE: For the first League of each skating year (and the last League if it is held after the Nationals and Novice Championships), the **OD/OSP** and/ or **Solo Free dance** are **NOT** required, but skaters may skate these parts of the event and be judged in all elements. In this instance, **ONE SET OF AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED** to the highest place getters in the event.

In each subsequent League, dance events incorporate OD/O.S.P/ Free dance as part of the compulsory requirements, but it will be permissible for couples to skate and be judged in the compulsory dance section only. They will **NOT** however be able to place in that event and as such, will not receive an award.

FREESKATING, PRECISION, PAIRS: For the first League of each skating year (and the last league if it is held after the Nationals and Novice Championships), the Long/Final program is **NOT** required, but skaters/teams may skate both Short and Long programs and be judged in all elements. In this instance, **ONE SET OF AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED** to the highest place getters in the event.

AUTHORITY

The Championship Director shall have the final decision on any matter arising during the competition.

The Assistant Championship Director may make decisions on any matters arising during the competition.

The event Referee shall have the final decision on any matter arising regarding any event they are rostered to officiate.

SKATE WA ARTISTIC COMMITTEE reserves the right to change any and all League Rules and regulations, from time to time, and to amend League requirements from League to League in the interest of skating.

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FIGURE REQUIREMENTS FOR NOVICE LEVELS 2018

LEVEL ONE

LEAGUE 1

Group 1	1	ROF - LOF	Circle Eight
	2	RIF - LIF	Circle Eight

LEAGUE 2

Group 2	1b	LOIF - ROIF	Change Eight
	2a	RIOF - LIOF	Change Eight

LEAGUE 3

Group 3	1	ROF - LOF	Circle Eight
	1a	ROIF - LOIF	Change Eight

LEAGUE 4

Group 4	2	RIF - LIF	Circle Eight
	2b	LIOF - RIOF	Change Eight

LEVEL TWO

LEAGUE 1

Group 1	3a	ROB - LOB	Circle Eight
	5b	LOIF - RIOF	Serpentine

LEAGUE 2

Group 2	5b	LOIF - RIOF	Serpentine
	7	ROF - LOF	Three

LEAGUE 3

Group 3	3a	ROB - LOB	Circle Eight
	3b	LOF - ROF	Circle Eight

LEAGUE 4

Group 4	7a	ROF - LOF	Three
	7b	LOF - ROF	Three

LEVEL THREE

LEAGUE 1

Group 1	3a	ROB - LOB	Circle Eight
	9b	LIF - ROB	Three

LEAGUE 2

Group 2	3b	LOB - ROB	Circle Eight
	9a	RIF - LOB	Three

LEAGUE 3

Group 3	7a/b	OF - OF	Three
	9a/b	IF - OB	Three

LEAGUE 4

to be drawn from the 3 groups
two weeks prior to competition

LEVEL FOUR

LEAGUE 1

Group 1	4a	RIB - LIB	Circle Eight
	L1a	ROF - LOF	Loop Circle 8

LEAGUE 2

Group 2	4b	LIB - LIB	Circle Eight
	L2a	RIB - LIB	Loop circle 8

LEAGUE 3

Group 3	10a/b	OF - OF	Double Three
	26a/b	OIF - OIB	Serp Three

LEAGUE 4

to be drawn from the 3 groups
two weeks prior to competition

CHALLENGES

OPEN LOOP CHALLENGE

LEAGUE 1

Group 1	L1a	ROF - LOF	Loop
	L2b	LIF - ROF	Loop Circle

LEAGUE 2

Group 2	L5a	LOIF - RIOF	Serpentine
	L3b	LOB - ROB	Loop Circle

LEAGUE 3

Group 3	14a	ROF - LOF	Loop
	L4b	LIB - RIB	Loop Circle

LEAGUE 4

Group 4	15b	LIF - RIF	Loop
	L6a	ROIB - LIOB	Loop Serpentine

OPEN MOHAWK FIGURE

Eight Step Mohawk RIF - LIF Circle Eight
(Comprises RIF-LIB m/h to ROB.ROB-LOF m/h, open held, LOF-ROB closed m/h, Left (free) X in front of ROB to LIF, LIF-RIF completes circle, then LIF to next circle for foot reversed sequence.)

Draw foot for levels 2, 3 and 4 where applicable.

One group will be drawn for Novice Championships one month (Friday) prior to the Championships

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DANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NOVICE LEVELS 2017 COUPLES – SOLO - INLINES

LEVEL ONE

2018 Dances

League 1	Glide Waltz (120)	/	Masters Tango (100)
League 2	Masters Tango (100)	/	Olympic Foxtrot (104)
League 3	Olympic Foxtrot (104)	/	Skaters March (100)
League 4	A draw of 2 of the 4 dances, one Month before the competition		

LEVEL TWO

2018 Dances

League 1	Rhythm Blues (92)	/	Dutch Waltz (138)
League 2	Dutch Waltz (138)	/	Canasta Tango (100)
League 3	Canasta Tango (100)	/	La Vista Cha Cha (100) pattern 2
League 4	A draw of 2 of the 4 dances, one Month before the competition		

Novice Championships - a draw of one of the groups, one month prior Championships.

CREATIVE SOLO DANCE

OPEN NOVICE

One event – Big Band

Open Solo/Couples Free dance REQUIREMENTS FOR 2018

This event is aimed at all disciplines of artistic skaters to improve general skating skills and performance ability. (A-Grade and Novice Eligible).

- Optional jumps and spins.
- No more than 2 spins with a minimum of 3 revolutions
- No more than 3 jumps with a maximum of 1 revolution
- Compulsory straight away and diagonal footwork.
- No Props are allowed in Free dance.
- A Grade and Novice skaters can skate together, be calculated and medals presented together at leagues.
- A Grade and Novice skaters can skate at both State championships and Novice Championships as one event.

TIME LIMIT: 1 Min 30 Secs Up to 2Min 30 Secs

MUSIC: As per Australian Championships for Solo Free dance

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FREESKATING REQUIREMENTS FOR NOVICE LEVELS 2018

LEVEL 1.

- ❖ One easily recognised Straight way or diagonal sequence of footwork – any level
- ❖ Any full jumps
- ❖ Any upright, any sit spin (single position) or camel spin (single position)

LEVEL 2.

- ❖ One easily recognised Serpentine sequence of footwork – any level
- ❖ No “A” class spins
- ❖ Any double (two revolution) jumps allowed

Novice Levels: Please show at least **3 different jumps** and **3 different spins**, spins alone or in a combination / change spin must be included in the routine. Skaters will be rewarded for quality vs. quantity. As a guideline to coaches, it is recommended that a total of no more than 8 jumps and 3 spins, items be included in any routine (THIS IS A GUIDELINE ONLY - NOT A RULE).

Serpentine Pattern Footwork

Starting at any end of the skating floor and progress in at least two (2) Bold Curves of not less than one-half (½) of the width of the skating floor and ends at the opposite end of the skating floor using a variety of directions of rotation and levels of footwork to compliment the skaters skill level.

Where items exceed the allowed maximum level the skater will receive no credit for that item and will be penalised 0.3 on the Artistic Impression mark.

Each element not attempted is a deduction of 0.5 technical mark.

TIME LIMITS:

Levels 1 & 2 Up To 2.30 minutes

INLINE FREESKATING

OPEN NOVICE

- * up to 2.30 secs
- * Skaters may be of any age

NOTE: A Grade quad skaters can skate Novice In-Line provided they have written permission from Skate WA.

PRECISION/QUARTET

OPEN NOVICE

- * up to 3.0 minutes
- * Skaters may be of any age

Novice teams must be from 6 to 24 skaters, for precision.

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DEVELOPMENT GRADE

Grade may only be entered by skaters for one skating year. This grade may be entered by skaters of any age.

FIGURES

- 1 ROF – LOF Circle Eight
- 1b LOIF – ROIF Change Eight

League 1 & League 2 = One round
League 3 & League 4 = Two rounds

Touch down penalties will apply.

DANCE

Glide Waltz (120)
Masters Tango (100)

League 1 & League 2 = One Lap
League 3 & League 4 = Two Laps

Penalties for opening sequences exceeding 24 beats will apply.

FREESKATING (up to 2mins)

- One diagonal footwork
- Any two foot spin
- All four uprights (single position) permitted
- Any half jump
- Full Mapes and Salchow

Penalties for falls

MINI ROLLERS

There will be a 4 minute sequence made available at the start of the skating year. Mini rollers can create their own routines, of any duration, for this event.