CHALLENGERS SERIES IN FIGURE SKATING 
REVISION OF MINIMUM ENTRY CRITERIA TO QUALIFY AS CHALLENGER 
SERIES EVENT

ISU Communication No. 1858 established the basic principles of the ISU Challenger Series including 
the minimum number of entries for an International Competition to qualify as a Challenger Series 
event.

The selected International Competitions were announced in ISU Communication No. 1876 and are:

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<td>U.S. International Figure Skating Classic</td>
<td>Salt Lake City</td>
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<td>Autumn Classic International</td>
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Each Organizing Member of an International Competition, linked with the ISU Challenger Series, 
must make every attempt to reach the required number of participants as stated in paragraph 2 of ISU 
Communication 1858. However, the monitoring of the ongoing entries to the above-mentioned 
International Competitions indicates that the set minimum number of entries appears to be too high 
and by no fault of their own certain Organizing Committees/Organized Members might not be able 
to meet this entries criteria.

Therefore in order to maintain and secure the main purpose of this series, namely to give adequate 
opportunities for many Skaters (mostly not qualified to enter Grand Prix events) to compete at the 
international senior level and earn World Standing Points, the Council determined to apply the 
following (revised) criteria for an International Competition to become a Challenger Series event:

A minimum of the following entries at the time of the draw are required for the identified 
International Competitions (which are lower than those stated in para 2 of Communication 1858):
• a minimum of 12 Members must have made entries (in total - not per category, which is unchanged from Communication 1858)
• Men: 8 entries from 4 Members (instead of 15 entries from 7 Members as para 2 of Communication 1858)
• Ladies: 8 entries from 4 Members (instead of 15 entries from 7 Members as per para 2 of Communication 1858)
• Pairs: 5 entries from 3 Members (instead of 8 entries from 4 Members as per para 2 of Communication 1858)
• Ice Dance: 6 entries from 4 Members (instead of 10 entries from 5 Members as per para 2 of Communication 1858)

The other criteria as stated in Communication 1858 remain unchanged.

Provided that the above mentioned criteria are met, the event in question will be considered to be a full part of the ISU Challenger Series with all further consequences, e.g. full ISU contribution, higher World Standing Points, ranking within the ISU Challenger Series, participating in the Challenger Series Prize Money etc.

In the case that one discipline within an event of the ISU Challenger Series does not meet the above mentioned revised minimum number of participants, this discipline will not be considered as part of the ISU Challenger Event. Consequently no World Standing Points would be awarded for this discipline and the participants of the discipline in question would not be awarded points for the special ranking of the series. The event, however, would still count for “Seasons Best Score” and “Minimum total Technical Score”.

**Correction to Communication No. 1858, point 5**

For the World Standing Points for Pairs, 5th place, a typing error occurred. The Communication should read:

5th place  Pairs  198 points (164)

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