

Communication No. 2304

Figure Skating

Frankfurt Seminar – July 5 – 12, 2020

1. RE-CERTIFICATION

Nomination of ISU and/or International Technical Controllers and/or Technical Specialists to the Frankfurt Seminar for re-certification

All Officials who continue to meet the criteria as outlined in the Special Regulations and who, considering the period of time elapsed since their initial appointment, require re-certification are eligible for acceptance to the Frankfurt Seminar 2020 – re-certification program.

The ISU Vice President Figure Skating, the ISU Sports Director Figure Skating and the respective ISU Technical Committee in cooperation with the ISU Secretariat will verify the eligibility of such persons. ISU Members wishing to nominate candidates from their Federation for re-certification must complete on behalf of the candidate(s) the attached application form (Appendix A) confirming that the established criteria have been or will be met. The application shall be submitted to the ISU Secretariat **no later than April 15, 2020**. Late applications cannot be accepted.

However, please note that, as done in the previous seasons, at all ISU Figure Skating Championships (ISU European Figure Skating Championships, ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championship, ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships, ISU World Figure Skating Championships, ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships and the ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships) as well as the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final (Senior & Junior), the officiating Technical Controllers and Technical Specialists will receive on-site training (mini seminar) that will be considered as an equivalent of an ISU recognized seminar for those functions, hence counting towards the fulfilment of such requirement (Rule 414, paragraph 4. c), Rule 415, paragraph 4. c), Rule 416, paragraph 3. d), Rule 417, paragraph 6, Rule 904, paragraph 4. c), Rule 905 paragraph 4 c.), for the Officials concerned. Consequently, the ISU Technical Controllers and ISU Technical Specialists officiating at ISU Figure Skating Championships within the time limitation according to the respective Rule, do not need to attend the Frankfurt Seminar 2020 for re-certification.

These Seminars will be held from July 5 to 8, 2020 for Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating. See also paragraph 8 for detailed travel information included in this Communication.

2. “NEW” INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL CONTROLLERS AND/OR TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS

Nomination of ‘new’ International Technical Controllers and/or Technical Specialists to the Frankfurt Seminar

In 2020 a limited number of ‘new’ candidates for training will be accepted. For organizational and budgeting reasons, the maximum number of ‘new’ participants in the Frankfurt Seminar 2020 will be limited according to disciplines and according to experiences of service within their national events. The ISU Vice President Figure Skating, the ISU Sports Director Figure Skating and the respective Technical Committees in cooperation with the ISU Secretariat will verify the eligibility of such persons. ISU Members are requested to complete the attached application form (Appendix B) confirming that the established criteria have been and will be met. The application shall be submitted to the ISU Secretariat **no later than April 15, 2020**. Late applications will not be accepted.

Candidates proposed as ‘new’ may be entered and accepted in only one discipline for the 2020 seminar.

These Seminars will be held from July 5 to 11, 2020 for Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating. See also paragraph 8 for detailed travel information included in this Communication.

3. PROMOTION TO BECOME AN ISU TECHNICAL CONTROLLER OR TECHNICAL SPECIALIST

Nomination of International Technical Controllers and/or Technical Specialists for promotion to become an ISU Technical Controller or ISU Technical Specialist

Technical Controllers/Technical Specialists currently listed as “International”, who fulfill the requirements of Rule 414, paragraph 3. a), b) and c), Rule 415, paragraph 3. a), b) and c), respectively Rule 904, paragraph 3. a), b) and c) and Rule 905, paragraph 3. a), b) and c), may enter the seminar for promotion purposes to become an ISU Technical Controller or ISU Technical Specialist.

Participation in more than one discipline will not be accepted.

The ISU Vice President, the ISU Sports Director of Figure Skating and respective ISU Technical Committee in cooperation with the ISU Secretariat will verify the eligibility of such candidates. Members wishing to nominate candidates from their Federation for promotion must complete, on behalf of the candidate(s), the attached application form (Appendix C) confirming that the established criteria have been and will be met. The application shall be submitted to the ISU Secretariat **no later than April 15, 2020**. Late applications cannot be accepted.

In 2020 a limited number of ‘promotion’ candidates for training will be accepted. For organizational and budgeting reasons, the maximum number of ‘promotion’ participants in the Frankfurt Seminar 2020 will be limited according to disciplines and according to experiences.

These Seminars will be held from July 5 to 11, 2020 for Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating. See also paragraph 8 for detailed travel information included in this Communication.

Should a “Promotion Candidate” not be accepted, the candidate’s application will be automatically registered as a “re-certification” candidate in order to maintain their current status. Verification of participation of the candidate should be confirmed by the ISU Member.

4. SYNCHRONIZED SKATING NATIONAL TECHNICAL CONTROLLERS AND /OR TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS **Nomination of National Technical Controllers and/or Technical Specialists for Synchronized Skating education purposes**

ISU Members, who do not have the possibility within their country, to educate properly the Technical Controllers/Technical Specialists in Synchronized Skating, can enter such persons to the 2020 Frankfurt seminar at own costs. A minimum of five (5) candidates is mandatory to confirm this additional Seminar. This Seminar is not for promotion purposes and will only substitute a National Seminar with the result of a National qualification. The ISU Vice President Figure Skating, the ISU Sports Director Figure Skating and the respective Technical Committee in cooperation with the ISU Secretariat will verify the eligibility of such persons.

This Seminar will be held from July 5 to 8 2020 for Synchronized Skating. See also paragraph 8 for detailed travel information included in this Communication.

ISU Members wishing to nominate candidates from their Federation must complete on behalf of the candidate(s) the attached application form (Appendix D) confirming that the established criteria have been or will be met. The application shall be submitted to the ISU Secretariat **no later than April 15, 2020**. Late applications cannot be accepted.

5. FIRST APPOINTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL JUDGES **ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations for first appointment of International Judges for Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance**

In line with Rule 413, paragraph 1. c) and d) and Rule 903, paragraph 1. d) and e), the ISU is including into the Frankfurt Seminar the ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations for the first appointment of International Judges for the Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance for those persons who might be nominated by their ISU Members provided the respective candidates fulfill the requirements of Rule 413, paragraph 1. and /or Rule 903, paragraph 1.

These ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations will be held on July 8 to 12, 2020 and will be conducted in the disciplines Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance. These Seminars are the only ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations for first appointment of International Judges in the season 2020/21. See also paragraph 8 for detailed travel information.

ISU Members wishing to nominate candidates from their Federation for these ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations must complete, on behalf of the candidate(s), the attached application form (Appendix E) confirming that the established criteria have been or will be met. The application shall be submitted to the ISU Secretariat **no later than April 15, 2020**. Late applications cannot be accepted. The ISU Vice President Figure Skating, the ISU Sports Director Figure Skating and the respective Technical Committee in cooperation with the ISU Secretariat will verify the eligibility of such persons.

To maintain the high level and quality of the Seminar we expect that the knowledge/skills of the accepted Participants be up to the Seminar requirements with adequate competition/serving experience.

- The Vice President of Figure Skating, Sports Director and the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee reserve the right to limit the number of candidates attending the first appointment seminar for International Single & Pair Skating Judges.
- The Vice President of Figure Skating, Sports Director and the Ice Dance Technical Committee reserve the right to cancel the first appointment seminar for Ice Dance judges should there be less than 6 candidates applying.

These ISU Examinations to become an International Judge will consist of two parts:

- a written part including true or false and multiple-choice questions and questions that require a written response in the English language, based on ISU Regulations and Technical Rules 2018 as well as pertinent ISU Communications, Handbooks and Manuals
- a practical examination, based on identification of elements, evaluation with the GOE and the Program Components and a “competition simulation”.

The criteria to pass the written part of these ISU Examinations are announced by the Technical Committees.

6. DATA and REPLAY OPERATOR SEMINAR

In 2020 a limited number of ‘new’ candidates for training will be accepted. ISU Members wishing to nominate Data and Replay Operators must complete, on behalf of the candidate(s), the attached application form (Appendix F) confirming that the established criteria have been and will be met. The application shall be submitted to the ISU Secretariat no later than April 15, 2020. Late applications cannot be accepted. All expenses will be for the ISU Member of the candidate or the candidates themselves. Should they attain an ISU recommendation, the ISU will cover the cost of attendance to the current 2020 Global Seminar.

This Seminar will be held from July 7 to 11, 2020. See also paragraph 8 for detailed travel information included in this Communication.

7. Expense Guidelines for all accepted candidates to the Frankfurt Seminar 2020

7.1 Accommodation and Full Board

The ISU will cover hotel accommodation and full board for all accepted and confirmed participants for:

- Re-certification of their status as **ISU Technical Controller/ISU Technical Specialist** for the duration of the individual seminar during the days as indicated in the travel information.
- Candidates successful in achieving the status of ISU Technical Controller/ISU Technical Specialist may submit their receipts for room and board to the ISU Secretariat.

The ISU will **not** cover the costs for accommodation and full board for any accepted and confirmed participants for:

- Judges seminar for first appointment (International);
- TS/TC re-certification with the status “International”;
- SyS Seminar “National Technical Controller / Technical Specialists
- Data and Replay Operators.

ISU Members, who cancel participation after June 20, 2020, will need to cover the usual “no show fee”, which is 80% of the hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

7.1 Travel Expenses

The ISU will ONLY cover the travel expenses for candidates who are attending the following seminars:

- Re-certification as ISU Technical Controller/Technical Specialist

Attendees will have their travel cost (economy class flight ticket, train or car) reimbursed by the ISU after the attendance of the seminars, should provide an expense reimbursement request including supporting vouchers and will receive the following travel contribution per person:

- Participants from Germany: up to a maximum of CHF 100;
- Participants from Europe: up to a maximum of CHF 200;
- Participants from North America, South Africa and Asia: up to a maximum of CHF 500;
- Participants from Australia and Oceania: up to a maximum of CHF 800.

ISU Members with candidates who have successfully passed the examination in becoming ISU Technical Controller / Specialist may submit for reimbursement at the stated travel reimbursement rate to the ISU Secretariat.

All other participants must cover their travel expenses through their respective ISU Member or by themselves.

Reimbursement requests should be made to the ISU Secretariat within 4 months of the end of the seminar at the latest.

8. Travel Information for Arrival and Departure Dates

The opening of the respective seminars will be:

- Sunday – July 5, 2020 – 18:00 hours
 - Recertification TC/TS – All Disciplines
 - “new” International TC/TS – All Disciplines
 - Promotion TC/TS – All Disciplines
- Wednesday – July 8, 2020 – 18:00 hours
 - International Judges – First Appointment
 - Singles & Pair Skating
 - Ice Dance

a) Technical Controller/Technical Specialist Seminars – for re-certification:

For Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating

Arrival by 18:00 hours on Sunday July 5, 2020

Departure after 14:00 hours on Wednesday, July 8, 2020

b) Technical Controller/Technical Specialist Seminars – for New and Promotion

For Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating

Arrival by 18:00 hours on Sunday July 5, 2020

Departure after 12:00 on Saturday, July 11, 2020

c) Judges Seminar for first appointment - International:

Arrival by 18:00 hours on Wednesday, July 8, 2020

Departure after 12:00 hours on Sunday, July 12, 2020

d) National Technical Controller/Technical Specialist Seminar for education purpose (SyS):

Arrival by 18:00 hours on Sunday, July 5, 2020

Departure after 14:00 hours on Wednesday, July 8, 2020

e) Data Replay Operators

Arrival on Monday – July 6, 2020

Seminar commences on Tuesday – July 7, 2020 at 9:00 AM

Departure after 12:00 Noon on Saturday – July 11, 2020

Language

The Seminars will be conducted in **English**.

Tubbergen,
January 28, 2020
Lausanne,

Jan Dijkema, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General