INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1628

DECLARATION FOR COMPETITORS AND OFFICIALS ENTERING ISU EVENTS (Rule 131)
(This Communication cancels and replaces ISU Communication No. 1523)

The 2010 ISU Congress revised General Regulation Rule 131 covering the forms required to be used by a Member to enter a competitor or Official in an ISU Event. According to the Rule, each competitor, Official and Member must sign a Declaration form confirming familiarity with and acceptance of the ISU Statutes governing participation in ISU Events and activities. Such declaration forms are intended as explicit reminders of certain of the comprehensive provisions of the ISU Statutes and other official regulations applicable to and binding upon all participants in ISU competitions and activities. In case of competitors who have not reached the age of 18, such Declaration must be co-signed by at least one of the parents or other legal guardian.

For the competitors and Officials entered by the Members (judges, team leaders, team doctors, physiotherapists, coaches, choreographers and team officials), the Declaration form must be returned by the Members to the ISU Secretariat annually, as soon as possible as of August 1 every season but latest two (2) weeks prior to the competitor’s or Official’s first competition of the season.

For Officials appointed to ISU Events by the ISU (ISU or International Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data/Replay Operators, Starters, Competitor Stewards) the form can be returned to the ISU Secretariat directly by the Officials and does not require the Member’s signature. The signed Declaration may be transmitted by fax (+41 21 612 66 77) or email (declaration@isu.ch) but must be confirmed by a correspondence sent out simultaneously to the ISU Secretariat by post or courier.

As directed by Rule 131, the attached Declaration for Competitors and Officials Entering ISU Events has been prepared and approved by the Council for ISU use. Note that Officials appointed by the Member (judges, team leaders, team doctors, physiotherapists, coaches, choreographers and team officials) and ISU appointed Officials serving at an ISU Event must each file a Declaration for each season.

For Synchronized Skating Events, the Declaration shall be signed by the Team Captain on behalf of all members of the Team. It is the responsibility of the Member and Team Captain to make the Team members familiar with the Declaration.

A copy of revised Rule 131 as adopted by the 2010 Congress is attached to this Communication for quick reference.

Milano, July 21, 2010

Lausanne, ottavio cinquanta, president

Fredi Schmid, Director General
Rule 131
as adopted by the 2010 Congress – changes compared to the 2008 version are underlined

Entries
Entries for all ISU Events must be made through the respective Members (for exceptions see Rule 109, paragraph 5 and 6).

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The Declaration form must be returned to the ISU Secretariat annually two (2) weeks prior to the competitor’s or Official’s first competition of the season.

The Director General and Sports Directorate shall prepare appropriate Declaration forms for review and approval by the Council. Separate forms may be proposed for each of Figure Skating, Speed Skating and ISU Officials. Upon approval, such forms shall be copied into the respective ISU Memorandum, if issued, governing the ISU Events and published in a Communication posted on the ISU website. The Declaration forms shall include (but not be limited to) the following subjects:

a) All competitors, Officials and Members shall acknowledge acceptance of:
   i) the applicability the ISU Constitution, which establishes an ISU Disciplinary Commission (Article 24) and recognizes the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), in Lausanne, Switzerland as the arbitration tribunal authorized to issue final and binding awards involving the ISU, its Members and all participants in ISU activities, excluding all recourse to ordinary courts (Articles 25 & 26).
   ii) inclusion of the ISU Event in the television and other media exhibition arrangements entered into by the ISU pursuant to Rule 105, and that the competitor’s performance(s) and all activity related to the ISU Event, may be filmed, televised, photographed, identified, and otherwise depicted, recorded and further exhibited and distributed worldwide under conditions and for the purposes now or hereafter authorized by the ISU in relation to promoting the Figure and Speed Skating sports.

b) All Figure Skating competitors and their Members shall:
   (i) certify and warrant that the music and choreography presented and used by the competitor have been fully cleared and authorized for public use and television and other media exhibition broadcast and re-broadcast throughout the world without further clearances or payments of any kind on the part of the ISU, the organizing Member, the Organizing Committee or the relevant television networks or broadcasters being required.
   (ii) declare that they understand and will comply with ISU General Regulations, Rule 102 paragraph 6.a) regarding the display and non-display of trademarks during Events, including, but not limited to, prize-giving ceremonies, and recognize that negative consequences as outlined in ISU Communication 1625, titled “Uniforms/Racing Suits/Clothing” (or any update of this Communication) will result from non-compliance with the ISU requirements.

c) All Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating competitors and their Members shall:
   (i) declare that they understand and will comply with ISU Communication 1625, titled “Uniforms/Racing Suits/Clothing” (or any update of this Communication) and recognize that negative consequences will result from non-compliance with the ISU requirements.
   (ii) declare that they understand and will comply with ISU General Regulations Rule 102 paragraph 6.b) regarding the display and non-display of trademarks during Events, including, but not limited to, award ceremonies.
Declaration for Competitors and Officials entering ISU Events
(in accordance with ISU Regulations, Rule 131)

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY:
2 weeks prior to the competitor’s or Official’s first competition of the season

Please fill in with computer!

I /we, the undersigned
(full name of Competitor or Official)

born on (day, month, year)

Residing at (full address)

To be entered as (Competitor, Referee, Judge,
Technical Controller, Technical Specialist, Data/Replay Operator, Starter, Competitor Steward,
Coach, Team Leader, Team Doctor, Physiotherapist, team officials)

Entered by (name of ISU Member federation and name and title of the authorized ISU Member Representative such as President, General Secretary, Executive Director, CEO as per Rule 104/4) - Not applicable for ISU appointed Officials

hereby make the following declaration and confirm that it is applicable to all of the above-mentioned Competitor’s or Official’s activities, performances, services, rights and responsibilities in the above-mentioned ISU Event and in all other events and activities conducted under the auspices, sanction or jurisdiction of the ISU. Declarations of Competitors who have not reached the age of 18 (the age of majority in Swiss law which governs ISU matters) must be co-signed by at least one of the Competitor’s parents or the Competitor’s lawful guardian.

I/we, the undersigned,

I) accept the ISU Constitution, which establishes an ISU Disciplinary Commission (Article 24) and recognizes the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), in Lausanne, Switzerland as the arbitration tribunal authorized to issue final and binding awards involving the ISU, its Members and all participants in ISU activities, excluding all recourse to ordinary courts (Articles 25 & 26); and

II) accept the inclusion of the ISU Event in the television and other media exhibition arrangements entered into by the ISU pursuant to ISU Rule 105, and that the Competitor’s performance(s) and all activity related to the ISU Event, may be filmed, televised, photographed, identified, and otherwise depicted, recorded and further exhibited and distributed worldwide under conditions and for the purposes now or hereafter authorized by the ISU in relation to promoting the Figure and Speed Skating sports; and

III) confirm that the Competitor or Official entered is eligible to compete/officialize according to ISU Rule 102. (in the case of ineligible skaters entered in Open International Competitions to be crossed out and initialed by the ineligible skater); and

IV) certify and warrant that for Figure Skating ISU Events the music and choreography presented and used by the Competitor in ISU Events or International Competitions have been fully cleared and authorized for public use and television and other media exhibition broadcast and re-broadcast throughout the world without further clearances or payments of any kind on the part of ISU, the Organizing Member, the Organizing Committee or the relevant television network or broadcaster being required; and

V) declare that I/we understand and will comply with ISU General Regulations, Rule 102 paragraph 6.a) for Figure Skating and respectively Rule 102, paragraph 6.b) for Speed Skating regarding the display and non-display of trademarks during ISU Events, including, but not limited to, prize-giving ceremonies, and recognize that negative consequences as outlined in ISU Communication 1625 titled “Uniforms/Racing Suits/Clothing” (or any update of this Communication) will result from non-compliance with its requirements.

VI) am familiar with the ISU Code of Ethics (ISU Communication 1433 or any update of this Communication) as well as ISU Anti-Doping Rules (ISU Communication 1603 & 1604 or any update of these Communications) and also with the current List of Prohibited Substances and Methods and I declare that I will fully comply with such Rules.

Competitor or Official: Date: Signature: 

Competitor’s parent or lawful guardian for Competitors who have not reached the age of 18: Date: Signature: 

ISU Member Representative: (not applicable for ISU appointed Officials) Date: Signature: 

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