

Communication No. 2332

Decisions of the Council

The ISU Council met on June 15, 2020 via an online meeting. The following were among the decisions taken by the Council during the meeting.

1. Full ISU Membership

The Council granted full ISU Membership with immediate effect to the Skating Federation of North Macedonia for the Figure Skating Branch.

2. Definite allotment of ISU Championships season 2020/21

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU General Regulations, the Council has definitely allotted the Championships for 2021 as follows:

Speed Skating

ISU European Speed Skating Championships to be held in Heerenveen, Netherlands on January 8-10, 2021

ISU Four Continents Speed Skating Championships to be held in Calgary, Canada on January 15-17, 2021

ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships to be held in Hachinohe City, Japan on February 19-21, 2021

ISU World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships to be held in Beijing, China on February 25-28, 2021

Short Track Speed Skating

ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships to be held in (tbd), Poland on January 15-17, 2021

The definite allotment remains pending, subject to confirmation of the venue.

ISU Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championships to be held in Salt Lake City, USA on January 22-24, 2021

ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships to be held in Salt Lake City, USA on January 29-31, 2021

ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2021 to be held in Rotterdam, Netherlands on March 12-14, 2021.

Single & Pair Skating/Ice Dance

ISU European Figure Skating Championships to be held in Zagreb, Croatia on January 25-31, 2021

ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships to be held in Sydney, Australia on February 8-14, 2021

ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships to be held in Harbin, China on March 1-7, 2021

ISU World Figure Skating Championships to be held in Stockholm, Sweden on March 22-28, 2021

Synchronized Skating

ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships to be held on March 12-13, 2021
The definite allotment remains pending, subject to confirmation of the venue.

ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships to be held in Zagreb, Croatia on April 8-10, 2021

Note regarding the Covid-19 situation:

The ISU Council will closely monitor the COVID-19 related developments in close consultation with the appointed Working Groups (see ISU Communications 2320 and 2327) and the organizing ISU Members of all ISU Events and will decide upon and communicate any postponement and/or change of location and/or cancellations as soon as possible.

3. Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating season 2020/21

Following the cancellation of the first two Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events that were to have been held in Canada and Slovak Republic, the Council approved the application from Riga / LAT to host a Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Event.

The revised ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series will therefore be as follows:

1st event	September 9-12, 2020	Budapest / HUN
2nd event	September 16-19, 2020	Yokohama / JPN
3rd event (incl. Pair Skating)	September 23-26, 2020	Ostrava / CZE
4th event (incl. Pair Skating)	Sept. 30-Oct. 3, 2020	Tashkent / UZB
5th event	October 7-10, 2020	Ljubljana / SLO
6th event (incl. Pair Skating)	October 14-17, 2020	Riga / LAT

A further update will be given after the Council meeting to be held on July 6, 2020.

4. ISU Figure Skating Championships 2021 – Minimum Total Element Scores

The Council decided to keep the same Minimum Total Element Scores necessary for participation in the 2021 ISU Figure Skating Championships and earned at competitions in the season 2019/20 and in the season 2020/21 as approved for the 2020 Championships.

Note regarding the Covid-19 situation:

In case that due to the Covid-19 pandemic an extended number of Competitions are cancelled during the fall 2020 the Council will review the situation in regard to the Minimum Total Elements Score again at the time of the October Council meeting.

The Council determined that the Skaters/Couples participating in the ISU Championships 2021 must have reached the following Minimum Total Elements Scores during the ongoing season (2020/21) or the immediately preceding season (2019/20):

ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021

	SP/RD	FS/FD
MEN	34.00	64.00
LADIES	30.00	51.00
PAIR SKATING	27.00	44.00
ICE DANCE	33.00	47.00

ISU European, ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships 2021:

	SP/RD	FS/FD
MEN	28.00	46.00
LADIES	23.00	40.00
PAIR SKATING	25.00	42.00
ICE DANCE	28.00	44.00

ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2021:

	SP/RD	FS/FD
JUNIOR MEN	23.00	42.00
JUNIOR LADIES	23.00	38.00
JUNIOR PAIR SKATING	23.00	34.00
JUNIOR ICE DANCE	23.00	37.00

The required Minimum Total Elements Score for the Short Program/Rhythm Dance and the Free Skating/Free Dance to participate in Senior ISU Championships (ISU European Figure Skating Championships, ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships and ISU World Figure Skating Championships) can only be obtained in Senior International Competitions. Likewise, the required Minimum Total Elements Score for the Short Program/Rhythm Dance and the Free Skating/Free Dance segment to participate in the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships can only be obtained in International Junior Competitions.

The Minimum Technical Elements Score (not including Component Scores) is a Technical Score and must have been reached in an ISU recognized International Competition (as per Article 39, paragraph 7 of the ISU Constitution and Rule 107, paragraphs 1 to 10 of the ISU General Regulations) during the ongoing or immediately preceding season in both segments, Short Program/Rhythm Dance and Free Skating/Free Dance (See ISU Special Regulations Single & Pair Skating Ice Dance, Rule 378, paragraph 3).

While the Minimum Technical Elements Score must be reached separately in each segment (not a total of the two segments), the Minimum Technical Elements Score for each segment may be reached at different competitions.

The Minimum Technical Elements Score must be reached 21 (twenty-one) days before the first day (first official practice day) of the Championships concerned (same as entry deadline).

If it would become evident that the number of entries based on the Minimum Technical Elements Scores listed above would be significantly higher or lower than expected, the ISU Council reserves the right to adjust the Minimum Technical Elements Scores in order to achieve the above-mentioned objective.

ISU Members will be informed latest 45 days prior to the entry deadline of the respective Championships if the announced required minimum Technical Score will be adjusted or will remain as announced. In case of the continental Championships the announcement for both European and Four Continents Championships will be made 45 days prior to the entry deadline of the earlier Championships, in this case the European Championships.

5. ISU Communication 2323 (Single & Pair Skating Scale of Values season 2020/21) and ISU Communication 2324 (Single & Pair Skating Levels of Difficulty and Guidelines for making Grade of Execution and Program Components Season 2020/21)

Considering the worldwide COVID-19 developments and the slow re-opening of ice rinks and training activities and also based on feedback received from ISU Members, the Council decided to suspend with immediate effect the above-mentioned ISU Communications 2323 and 2324. The corresponding previous ISU Communications 2253 and 2254 remain basically in force.

The Council, in cooperation with the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, is currently evaluating whether and to what extent some clarifications and minor adjustments to ISU Communications 2253 and 2254 would be necessary, and if so, will issue a new ISU Communication shortly.

6. Judges Draw – ISU Figure Skating Championships 2021

The ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2020 and ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2020 were not held, but a Judges draw was done for them and was not used, therefore the unused draw will remain valid and shall be used for the 2021 Championships.

For the remaining 2021 ISU Figure Skating Championships, the annual Judges Draw shall be held on the morning of Thursday October 15, 2020. If the Council meeting scheduled for October 16-18, 2020 takes place in Geneva, Switzerland then the draw will also take place there. If the Council meeting is held online, then the Judges Draw will be held in Lausanne, Switzerland.

The Judges draw for the ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2021 will include the ISU Members present at the 2020 Championships in Nottingham, GBR and also the five ISU Members that were obliged to withdraw from those Championships, namely, France, Italy, Japan, Spain and USA.

7. Next Council meeting

The Council will meet again online on Monday July 6, 2020.

Tubbergen,
June 17, 2020
Lausanne,

Jan Dijkema, President

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