

ISU RULE 102 ELIGIBILITY**1. Eligibility Status**

- a) The eligibility rules of the I.S.U are based upon the principle that:
 - i) a person has the privilege to take part in the activities and competitions under the jurisdiction of the ISU only if such person respects the principles and policies of the ISU as expressed in the ISU Constitution and Regulations, and fulfills those obligations on the basis of which the ISU functions and governs all its activities;
 - ii) the condition of eligibility is made for the adequate protection of the economic and other interests of the ISU, which uses its financial revenues for the administration and development of the ISU sport disciplines and for the support and benefit of the Members and their Skaters

- b) an eligible person is one who elects to take part only in international competitions which are:
 - i) sanctioned by the Member and/or the ISU;
 - ii) conducted by ISU recognized and approved Officials, including Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Judges, Starters, Competitors Stewards and others; and
 - iii) conducted under ISU Regulations

- c) a skater wishing to take part in ISU activities should not be placed at a disadvantage by reason of the necessity to prepare for and participate in ISU Events, the Olympic Winter Games, and all international competitions, exhibitions and tours properly sanctioned by the ISU or a Member. Accordingly, a skater may receive payments for appearances, endorsements and exhibition performances and still remain eligible, provided:
 - i) such skater complies with conditions established by the respective Member of which such skater is a member concerning such appearances, endorsements and exhibition performances, including all financial arrangements;
 - ii) payments or other benefits to be received by such skater for any skating appearance are made through the respective Member of which such skater is a member or at least with full information on such payments or benefits given by such skater to the Member;
 - iii) such skater complies with all other provisions of this Rule 102

- d) it is the responsibility of each Member to establish the basis for the receipt of payments by such skater for appearances, endorsements and exhibition performances. Members may share such payments in consideration of past and present support of such persons, but with not more than 10%. Members shall monitor their skaters to ensure that they do not participate in competitions that would render them ineligible.

2. Definition of an ineligible person

A person becomes ineligible to participate in ISU activities and competitions by:

- i) skating or officiating without the prior express authorization of the respective Member, in any capacity in a skating competition, exhibition or tour in any of the sport disciplines of the ISU;
- ii) skating or officiating in a competition conducted by officials (Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Judges, Starters, Competitors Ste-wards, etc.) not on the approved list of the respective Member or on the ISU approved list;
- iii) skating or officiating in an event not sanctioned by a Member and/or the ISU;
or
- iv) otherwise violating this Rule 102.

In addition to the consequences and status of ineligibility described in Rule 102, paragraph 7 and Rule 103, paragraph 1, a person specifically declared ineligible by the Council, if the Council so states in its decision, may be also declared to be *persona non grata* within the ISU and such person may not take part in ISU activities, stand for or hold any ISU Office, be a delegate to any Congress, be an ISU Official, be granted credentials to any ISU Event, seminar or meeting in any capacity, or otherwise occupy any position, appointed or otherwise, identified in the ISU Constitution, Regulations, Event Memorandums, Communications or Circular Letters as a position of service or responsibility on behalf of the ISU.

3. Participation of eligible persons

Only eligible persons, including skaters, are permitted to take part in ISU Events, the Olympic Winter Games and other international competitions unless another rule explicitly provides otherwise (See paragraph 4 below and Rule 121, paragraph 3.a). Eligible persons may take part in exhibitions and tours which may include ineligible skaters, only if such exhibitions and tours are sanctioned by a Member and/or the ISU. Eligible persons may participate in ISU approved Open International Competitions that include invited ineligible skaters as approved by the Council.

4. Restricted eligibility

Eligibility rights are restricted as follows:

- a) A person (although not otherwise ineligible under other provisions of this Rule) who receives remuneration from ownership or management of an ice show or skating exhibition tour may not be a Referee, Assistant Referee, Technical Controller, Technical Specialist, Competitors Steward, Judge or Starter in ISU Events, the Olympic Winter Games or any other international competitions sanctioned by a Member or the ISU, and such persons may not be a member of the ISU Council, a Technical Committee, or the Disciplinary Commission, or a delegate to an ISU Congress;
- b) paid employees of ISU Members and their affiliated clubs, and remunerated coaches, may not be a Referee, Assistant Referee, Technical Controller, Judge, Starter or Competitors Stewards in ISU Events or any other international competitions sanctioned by an ISU Member or the ISU, and such

persons may not be a member of the Council, an elected member of a Technical Committee or the Disciplinary Commission. However, such persons may attend ISU Congresses subject to the Procedural Provision of the Constitution, Part A., paragraph 13, but without the right to vote. Such persons may also act as Technical Specialist, Data Operator or Replay Operator in ISU sanctioned competitions;

- c) a person may not serve as an appointed member of the Technical Committee or as a leader of an ISU seminar or course if such person participated after July 1, 1998 as an official in the administration of events defined in Rule 102, paragraphs 2 (ii) and (iii);
- d) ineligible skaters may serve as Technical Specialists, Data Operators and Replay Operators.

5. Payments

Payments may be made either by the Member concerned or the ISU, as applicable, to competitors, Referees, Assistant Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Judges, Data Operators, Replay Operators, Starters or Competitors Stewards in all events listed in Rule 107 and members of the ISU Council, Technical Committees, the Disciplinary Commission and Advisors or other persons serving the ISU in other capacities in connection with the preparation for or participation in such ISU activities or competitions. If payments are made, the ISU must be informed in writing within a two month period as to the amounts paid.

6. Trademarks

- a) In all ISU Figure Skating Championships, ISU Events, and all other Figure Skating competitions organized under the auspices of the ISU, competitors, team officials, coaches and service personnel may display on their persons, clothing and/or technical equipment not more than two trademarks (which must be dignified and with a maximum of thirty (30) square centimeters each) for any commercial products, services or enterprises (tobacco and alcohol excluded) only while being off the ice including in the "kiss and cry" area, the television interview area and during practice sessions. One trademark of the clothing supplier may also be displayed, not larger than thirteen square centimeters. Trademarks and advertising markings may be measured by the Officials for compliance while being worn.
During the competitive performance, the exhibition at the end of an event and for the medal award ceremony no trademarks on skaters costumes are allowed.
In other off-ice areas additional trademarks with no limitation in size are allowed. However, such additional trademarks must be authorized by the respective Member;
- b) in all ISU Championships and all other Competitions in Speed Skating or Short Track Speed Skating organized under the auspices of the ISU, team officials, coaches, service personnel and competitors of the same national

team (entered by the same ISU Member) must wear identical uniforms while within the premises of the arena or ice track during the whole period of the Championships or competition including official practice sessions, which clearly identify their country, with a design, as prescribed by the Members which enter the skaters for competition. The Members have the obligation to submit the design to the ISU for approval.

The team officials, Coaches, service personnel and skaters may display on their persons, clothing and/or technical equipment, advertising markings (tobacco and alcohol excluded) in the competition area, in the television interview area and during the award ceremonies, in accordance with the following:

- i) the total maximum surface area of all advertising markings shall not exceed 595 cm². The maximum number of advertising markings shall not exceed five (5) on the upper body (above the waist) and two (2) on the lower body (below the waist) and shall be dignified.
Arms are to be excluded from any advertising in Speed Skating.
The maximum surface area for a single advertising marking is 45 cm² for the upper body and 30 cm² on the cap for Speed Skating.
The maximum surface area for a single advertising marking on the lower body is 200 cm²;
- ii) the determination of the design, without any commercial images or registered trademarks, and advertising markings on the clothing of competitors and team officials, Coaches and service personnel of the same national team is the sole right and responsibility of the national associations as Members of the ISU to ensure compliance with this Rule. It is recommended that the Members consider providing the use of advertising markings to the athletes or personnel
- iii) one manufacturer's trademark may appear on each piece of equipment and clothing (skin suits being considered as two pieces; one piece upper body and one piece lower body) and shall reflect standard commercial practices and not exceed 20 cm²;
- iv) trademarks and advertising markings may be measured by the Officials for compliance while being worn;
- v) the racing and warm-up suits of the skaters must display the name of the country or its official ISU abbreviation (letters of maximum 15 cm high).
In Speed Skating the country name or abbreviation should be placed on the back of the upper body.
In Short Track Speed Skating the country name or abbreviation shall be placed on the external part of both lower legs, the size of the characters not to be smaller than 5 cm high.

7. Loss of eligibility

- a) The consequence of a breach of the eligibility rules shall be the loss of eligibility. The status of a person disqualified or suspended under other applicable Rules, does not affect the eligible status of such person, but it limits, according to the terms of the applicable disciplinary sanction, the right

of such person to participate in the competitions and activities of the ISU;

- b) the ISU Council, upon the presentation of such evidence as it considers sufficient at its sole discretion, may rule upon an alleged breach of the eligibility rules, whether or not any protest has been made against an individual's eligible status in skating;
 - c) before a ruling is made by the Council, both the Member and the person concerned shall be notified and the person concerned shall be given the opportunity to furnish an explanation of the alleged breach (which may be in writing).
If the person concerned does not avail himself of such opportunity with fifteen (15) days of receipt of such notice, his right to furnish an explanation shall be waived.
8. Matters concerning eligibility not otherwise foreseen in the ISU Rules shall be considered by the Member concerned in a manner consistent with the spirit and intent of the ISU Rules.

REINSTATEMENT AS AN ELIGIBLE PERSON is covered by I.S.U. Rule no. 103