



## **GENERAL REGULATION**

The W.I.F.S.A. mandate is to organize, regulate, and promote the sport of **Inline Figure Skating and Dance** throughout the world on the basis of friendship, respect, and mutual understanding.

### **DISCIPLINES ADMINISTERED by W.I.F.S.A. :**

- Inline figure skating : singles, pairs, chorus
- Inline dance : solo and couple

### **MEMBERS :**

- Every skating club in every state or country in the world may apply for membership. Membership in W.I.F.S.A. will be granted upon completion of the application and payment of annual dues.

### **COMPETENCE PROPERTIES :**

- W.I.F.S.A. is the world recognised reference for all inline figure skating and dance modalities (solo, pairs, synchro and ballet).
- Among the activities of the W.I.F.S.A. particular importance is given to Events which include :
  - o W.I.F.S.A. international and world competitions, W.I.F.S.A. exhibitions, W.I.F.S.A. shows, W.I.F.S.A. tours and performances, appearances, etc.....
  - o W.I.F.S.A. will assure the providing of uniform regulations for International and National Competitions and the manner of supervising and conducting them.
  - o W.I.F.S.A. will establish events rules and entrance fees annually, and will assure their technical control and direction.
- W.I.F.S.A. Judges and technical specialists :
  - o W.I.F.S.A. is in charge of the judges' and technical specialists formations and certifications.
- W.I.F.S.A. Coaches :
  - o W.I.F.S.A. is in charge of coaches' formations and certifications.

### **PROMOTION of INLINE FIGURE SKATING and DANCE :**

W.I.F.S.A. shall work for broadening interest in Inline Figure Skating sport by increasing its popularity, improving its quality and increasing the number of participants throughout the world. W.I.F.S.A. shall ensure that the interests of all members are observed and respected.

### **Planned International competitions of INLINE Figure Skating :**

- Each Member must announce to the W.I.F.S.A. at least 3 months before the International or National Competitions it intends to organize in the coming season. In the event of two or more competitions being organized on conflicting dates, the President shall immediately inform the organizers concerned to coordinate the dates between them. The organizers must inform the W.I.F.S.A. of the arrangements made as soon as possible.
- The W.I.F.S.A. secretariat shall publish those competitions received in a Communication to the members.



- A Member which intends to organize an International Competition that has not been included in the relevant annual W.I.F.S.A. communications on International Inline Figure Skating Competitions must submit the announcement to the W.I.F.S.A. secretariat for approval in order to have the competition recognized with the status of an International Competition.

#### **Television and Other Media Exhibition Arrangements :**

- All arrangements for television and other media exhibition of W.I.F.S.A. events shall be made solely by the W.I.F.S.A. with the television and other media exhibitors concerned, except for television and other media exhibition rights for dissemination solely within the country of the individual event of an W.I.F.S.A. Series (such as W.I.F.S.A. World Cups and W.I.F.S.A. Grand Prix of Inline Figure Skating) which remain with the W.I.F.S.A. Member organizing the event.
- Television and other media exhibition rights described above held by the W.I.F.S.A. include rights of every kind and description, including, without limitation, live and re-broadcast exhibitions of the W.I.F.S.A. events or excerpts from the W.I.F.S.A. events, and all related event activities of all participants, in all forms of television and other media exhibition and transmission methods now known or hereafter devised, including, but not limited to, video cassettes, compact discs, mobile devices, the internet, telephones and computers. Such television and other media exhibition rights may be made available by the W.I.F.S.A. directly or through licensing with television and other media exhibitors, including free or pay-to-view, interactive and on-demand services, for public and/or private viewing, and with or without accompanying commentary, music or other sound, and the W.I.F.S.A. events or excerpts from the W.I.F.S.A. events may be transmitted by any method of delivery now or hereafter developed, including but not limited to satellite, terrestrial lines, the internet, mobile telephony networks or other physical conductors such as cable, DSL receptors, telephone lines, or any combination thereof, in any norm or standard now or hereafter used for any such transmissions.
- Television and other media exhibition rights held by the W.I.F.S.A. shall include the incidental right to authorize the use of footage from such W.I.F.S.A. events for the promotion of other W.I.F.S.A. events and activities, and for the general advancement of the image and popularity of the Inline Figure Skating sports.
- The Member and the organizers of any W.I.F.S.A. event shall be responsible that the rink where the event is held will be free of any television or film cameras (except those licensed and authorized by the W.I.F.S.A.) and free of any advertisements within the view of the spectators watching the event.
- The W.I.F.S.A. Council may delegate, wholly or partially, the responsibility for the actual negotiations for television coverage or other media exhibition to a consultant or media agency, or to an organizing member, as its authorized representative for this purpose, but the W.I.F.S.A. shall retain the right of final approval of all arrangements.
- Arrangements for television and other media exhibition made after the allocation of an W.I.F.S.A. Championship or other event to an organizing member shall be made in cooperation with such member ; however, in all cases, the W.I.F.S.A. shall retain the right of final approval of all arrangements.
- A member arranging for television or other media exhibition of an international competition, Inline Figure Skating exhibition or other event (except W.I.F.S.A. events as described above in this Rule) shall hold the rights thereto. The member may sell these rights for:



- Transmission of the telecast or other media exhibition solely within its own country; however, to avoid conflicts with W.I.F.S.A. interests, a member may not sign any exclusive television contracts exceeding 1 year for any international event.
- Sale to other television or media exhibitors for rebroadcast in another specifically identified country (or countries) if authorized in advance in writing by the W.I.F.S.A. Council as not constituting a conflict with the interests of the W.I.F.S.A. or another member.
- Only television and other media exhibition coverage as authorized by this text shall be allowed. Any other television, video, film or media exhibition of competitions and exhibitions under the jurisdiction of the W.I.F.S.A. and its members is strictly prohibited.

**Financial contribution for W.I.F.S.A. Events :**

For all W.I.F.S.A. events, the contributions to members (which include any contributions towards prize money) are based on the budget prepared by the Board of Directors, but this one must respect criteria to ensure that the interest of all W.I.F.S.A. members is observed and respected.

The Board of Directors may reduce the W.I.F.S.A. financial contribution to the member in case the member/organizer does not fully comply with all obligations.

**W.I.F.S.A. Open International Competitions :**

- The event must be sanctioned by the W.I.F.S.A., which also has the right to approve the financial conditions for all parties and persons involved.
- An Open International Competition is a competition in which eligible and ineligible persons may compete together.

**The following provisions must be observed :**

- The entry of skaters may be made only under the control of the respective member.
- The competition must be conducted strictly in accordance to W.I.F.S.A. regulations.

**Restrictions on Competition title names :**

The words W.I.F.S.A. “Championship/s”, “World”, “European” and “Continent/s” cannot be used in the title name of any International Competitions without prior written approval of the President.

**Contents of announcements :**

Every announcement of an International Competition must include the following general items :

- A statement regarding the place where the competition will be held
- A statement regarding the size and type of the rink (open air or indoor)
- The dates and starting times of the competition
- The date of closing of entries



**In addition to the general items, announcements for Inline Figure Skating and Synchronized Skating Competitions must include the following supplementary items :**

- The size (length and width) of the surface for Inline Figure Skating (including Inline Dance and Synchronized Skating) and for Synchronized Skating a diagram of the rink indicating the location of the Judges platform and entrance and exit to the rink.
- The technical details of the Compulsory Dances, Short Program, Original Dance, Free Skating, Free Dance including the duration and special conditions.
- The recommended wheels
- The means of music production
- The scheduled date and time of the Judges, Technical specialists and Coaches meeting and Round Table Discussion
- The multiplying factors for the Program Components
- Age requirements
- Eligibility requirements, nationality, citizenship and clearance certificates
- Official hotels
- Address and contact persons of the Organizing Committee

**Supplementary conditions :**

The organizing member or affiliated club may include supplementary conditions in the announcement, as long as these do not conflict with the Regulations or the Constitution of the W.I.F.S.A.

It is obligatory for the organizing Member or affiliated club of an W.I.F.S.A. Championship of Inline Figure Skating including Synchronized Skating and strongly recommended to the organizers of other competitions, to inform the audience at the beginning of an event of the basic principles of judging and of the ascertainment of the results, in leaflet form or in the program distributed to the audience.

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