

Artistic Requirements New Zealand Grades 2025 V1

Please refer to this for information on category names, requirements, elements, and age groups for the New Zealand grades.

NZ DOMESTIC REGIONALS ONLY: AGE GRADES		
New Entrants	Under 8 years old	
Novice 1 and 2 Novice Solo Free Dance	8 to 14 years old 8 years old and over	
Adult 1 and 2	15 years old and over	
NZ NATIONAL CA	ATEGORY: AGE GRADES	
Preliminary	10 years old and over	
Intermediate	15 years old and over	
Open	15 years old and over	
Masters	25 years old and over (NZ) 30 years old and over (Oceania)	
Advanced Masters	21 years old and over (NZ) 30 years old and over (Oceania)	
NZ NATIONAL CATEGOR	Y - LOOPS ONLY: AGE GRADES	
Tuatahi Loops	8 to 11 years old	
Kaiaka Loops	12 years old and over	
Mātanga Loops	14 years old and over	

Note: The age in the list above refers to the age the skater is turning in the year of the competition (that is, in the calendar year being; 1st of January through to and including the 31st of December).

We align with the World Skate General 2025 Rule Book.

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WORLD SKATE GRADES

MEDAL TEST REQUIREMENTS

Figures, Solo Dance, Couples Dance, Freeskating, Inline			
World Skate Grade	New Zealand Championships	Oceania Events	International Events
Tots	Discipline Specific Medal #1		
Minis	Discipline Specific Medal #2		
Espoir	Discipline Specific Medal #3		
Cadet	Discipline Specific Medal #3	Discipline Specific Medal #5	
Youth	Discipline Specific Medal #4	Discipline Specific Medal #6	
Junior	Discipline Specific Medal #4	Discipline Specific Medal #6	Discipline Specific Medal #7
Senior	Discipline Specific Medal #5	Discipline Specific Medal #7	Discipline Specific Medal #8

Freeskating Pairs			
World Skate Grade	New Zealand Championships	Oceania Events	International Events
Tots	Free Pairs Medal #1		
Minis	Free Pairs Medal #1		
Espoir	Free Pairs Medal #1		
Cadet	Free Pairs Medal #1	Free Pairs Medal #1	
Youth	Free Pairs Medal #1	Free Pairs Medal #1	
Junior	Free Pairs Medal #1	Free Pairs Medal #2	Free Pairs Medal #3
Senior	Free Pairs Medal #1	Free Pairs Medal #2	Free Pairs Medal #3

Precision			
World Skate Grade	New Zealand Championships	Oceania Events	International Events
Junior	Precision Medal #4	Precision Medal #6	Precision Medal #7
Senior	Precision Medal #5	Precision Medal #7	Precision Medal #8

Quartet			
World Skate Grade	New Zealand Championships	Oceania Events	International Events
Cadet	Any Medal Test #3	Any Medal Test #5	
Junior	Any Medal Test #4	Any Medal Test #6	Any Medal Test #7
Senior	Any Medal Test #5	Any Medal Test #7	Any Medal Test #8

Show			
World Skate Grade	New Zealand Championships	Oceania Events	International Events
Large	Any Medal Test #1	Any Medal Test #4	Any Medal Test #5
Small	Any Medal Test #1	Any Medal Test #4	Any Medal Test #5
Junior	Any Medal Test #1	Any Medal Test #4	Any Medal Test #5

2025 World Skate grade requirements: https://www.worldskate.org/artistic/about/regulations/category/1385-artistic-rules-2025.html

FIGURES

REGIONAL ONLY FIGURE GRADES

NEW ENTRANTS FIGURES	No Medal Test Requirement
Under 8 years old 2 circuits per figure	
Group 1	
1a RFO – LFO Eight 111a RFO – LFO Change Eight	

Note: A rolling start will be accepted. Maximum of three (3) steps prior to strike zone on initial strike.

NOVICE 1 FIGURES 8 years old to 14 years old 2 circuits per figure		No Medal Test Requirement
Group	1	
1aRFO – LFO Eight1cRFOI – LFOI Half Eight2aRFI – LFI Eight		NOTE: a or c refers to a right foot start.

NOVICE 2 FIGURES 8 years old to 14 years old 2 circuits per figure		No Medal Test Requirement
Group [·]	1	
3aRBO – LBO Eight5a/bFOI – FIO Change Eight7aRFO – LFO Threes		

ADULT 1 FIGURES 15 years old and over 2 circuits per figure		No Medal Test Requirement
Group	1	
1aRFO – LFO Eight1cRFOI – LFOI Half Eight2aRFI – LFI Eight		NOTE: a or c refers to a right foot start.

Skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST skate in Advanced Masters Figures NOT Adult Figures.

15 years	T 2 FIGURES old and over s per figure	No Medal Test Requirement
Group 1		
3a 5a/b <mark>2a</mark>	RBO – LBO Eight FOI – FIO Change Eight RFI – LFI Eight	

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FIGURE GRADES

PRELIMINARY FIGURES		Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #2 (NZ Championships)	
2 circuits per figure Group 1		Group 2	
3a/b 8a/b 11a	BO - BO Eight FO - BI Threes RFI - LFI Double Threes	4a/b 9a/b 10a	BI - BI Eight FI - BO Threes RFO - LFO Double Threes

INTERMEDIATE FIGURES 15 years old and over 2 circuits per figure		Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #2 (NZ Championships)	
Group 1		Group 2	
10a 19a/b 26a/b	RFO - LFO Double Threes FI - BO Brackets FOI - BOI Change Threes	11a 18a/b 27a/b	RFI - LFI Double Threes FO - BI Brackets FIO - BIO Change Threes

		Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #3 (NZ Championships)	
2 circuits per figure			
Group 1		Group 2	
<mark>22a/b</mark> 12a 32a/b	FO - BO Counters RBO - LBO Double Threes FOI - BOI Change Brackets	<mark>21a/b</mark> 28a/b 33a/b	FI - BI Rockers FOI - FIO Change Double Threes FIO - BIO Change Brackets

ADVANCED MASTERS FIGURES	Medal Test Requirement:
21 years old and over – NZ events 30 years old and over – Oceania events	2025: Figure Medal #2 (NZ Championships)2025: Figure Medal #3 (Oceania events)

Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST skate in Advanced Masters.

3 circuits per figure/loop circle

Group 1		Group 2	
3a/b	BO - BO Eight	5a/b	FOI - FIO Change Eight
5a/b	FOI - FIO Change Eight	9a/b	FI - BO Threes
9a/b	FI - BO Threes	114a/b	FO - FO Loop Circle

MASTERS FIGURES

25 years old and over – NZ events 30 years old and over – Oceania events

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Figure Medal #1 (NZ Championships) **2025:** Figure Medal #2 (Oceania events)

Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST skate in Advanced Masters.

3 circuits per figure

NOTE: a or c refers to a right foot start, b or d refers to a left foot start (eg: 1c RFOI - LFOI Half Eight).

Group 1		Group 2	
1a/b	<mark>FO - FO Eight</mark>	1c/d	FOI - FOI Half Eight
2c/d	FIO - FIO Half Eight	2a/b	<mark>FI - FI Eight</mark>
5a/b	FOI - FIO Change Eight	5a/b	FOI - FIO Change Eight

NATIONAL LOOP GRADES

Loop events shall consist of any skaters who are NOT skating Senior Figures in that year.

TUATAHI LOOPS 8 years old to 11 years old		Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #3 (NZ Championships)
2 circuits per loop		
Group 1		
14a 15a 30a/b	RFO – LFO Loops RFI – LFI Loops FOI – FIO Change Loops	

	KA LOOPS s old and over	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #3 (NZ Championships)
2 circuits per loop		
Group 1		
14a 15a 30a/b	RFO – LFO Loops RFI – LFI Loops FOI – FIO Change Loops	

MĀTANGA LOOPS 14 years old and over 2 circuits per loop		Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #5 (NZ Championships)		
Group 1		Group 2		
16a 31a/b 38a/b	RBO – LBO Loops BOI – BIO Change Loops FO – FI Paragraph Loops	17aRBI – LBI Loops31a/bBOI – BIO Change Loops38a/bFO – FI Paragraph Loops		
Note: S	katers competing in Youth and Junior Grades	s may also	skate Mātanga Loops only.	

SOLO DANCE REGIONAL ONLY SOLO DANCE COMPULSORY GRADES

NEW ENTRANTS SOLO DANCE Under 8 years old Mapped to Tots (for Rollart only) No Medal Test Requirement	Waltz Sequence	Tempo: 120 Waltz	2 sequences
NOVICE 1 SOLO DANCE 8 years old to 14 years old Mapped to Minis (for Rollart only) No Medal Test Requirement	Waltz Sequence March Sequence	Tempo: 120 Waltz Tempo: 100 March	2 sequences 4 sequences
NOVICE 2 SOLO DANCE 8 years old to 14 years old Mapped to Minis (for Rollart only) No Medal Test Requirement	Glide Waltz Skaters March	Tempo: 120 Waltz Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences 4 sequences
ADULT 1 SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Minis (for Rollart only) No Medal Test Requirement	Waltz Sequence March Sequence	Tempo: 120 Waltz Tempo: 100 March	2 sequences 4 sequences
ADULT 2 SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over	Glide Waltz Skaters March	Tempo: 120 Waltz Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences 4 sequences

Skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships are NOT eligible for the above Adult grades.

Mapped to Minis (for Rollart only) **No Medal Test Requirement**

REGIONAL ONLY SOLO FREE DANCE GRADE

NOVICE SOLO FREE DANCE	Time: 2:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds
8 years old and over Mapped to Tots (for Rollart only)	
No Medal Test Requirement	

Artistic Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Sequence
Maximum Level 1 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 1	Yes

- Artistic Sequence The four (4) steps and turns that will be counted towards the level are:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise, one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level).
- To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps MUST be confirmed (each type can ONLY be counted twice) AND skating elements for artistic sequence.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SOLO DANCE COMPULSORY GRADES

PRELIMINARY SOLO DANCE 10 years old and over Mapped to Espoir Intermediate	G-Reggae Skaters March	Tempo: 84 Reggae Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences 4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships)			

INTERMEDIATE SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Intermediate	Cumbia Argentina Little Waltz	Tempo: 92 Cumbia Tempo: 132 Waltz	4 sequences 4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships)			

OPEN SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Basic	Dench Blues (Double Pattern) Rocker Foxtrot	Tempo: 88 Blues Tempo: 104 Foxtrot	4 sequences 4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #3 (NZ Championships)			

ADVANCED MASTERS SOLO DANCE 21 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis	Werner Tango Hickory Hoedown	Tempo: 100 Tango Tempo: 104 Hoedown	4 sequences 4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships) 2025: Solo Dance Medal #3 (Oceania events)			

- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Advanced Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance, but NOT both provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events.

MASTERS SOLO DANCE 25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis	Double Cross Waltz Rhythm Blues	Tempo: 138 Waltz Tempo: 92 Blues	4 sequences 4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #1 (NZ Championships) 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (Oceania events)			

- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance, but NOT both provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events.

MASTERS SOLO STYLE DANCE	Time: 2:15 minutes +/- 10 seconds
25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Youth Intermediate	Theme: Rock Medley (1950's & 1960's) Jive, Boogie Woogie, Rock & Roll, Blues, Jazz, Soul
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #1 (NZ Championships) 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (Oceania events)	 Requirements: Pattern Dance: Rhythm Blues - 92 Blues 2 sequences - one (1) circuit of the floor Footwork Sequence: Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds

- The variety of steps and turns that can be counted towards the four (4) steps required for Level 1 are:
 Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Cross in Front
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level)
 - Closed Mohawk (forward to backward)
 - Choctaw (forward to backward).
- There is no limit to the number of features attempted, however no features are required to be confirmed to achieve Level 1. To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps, chosen by the skater from the seven (7) listed above, MUST be confirmed and each type can ONLY be counted twice.
- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance, but NOT both – provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events. Masters and Advanced Masters Skaters are expected to focus on QOE scores rather than level achievements.

Yes

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SOLO FREE DANCE GRADES

10	PRELIMINARY SOLO years old and over apped to Espoir Intermediate	FREE DANCE	Note:	: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 secon This event is separate to th Dance event.	
	edal Test Requirement: 125: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ	Championships)			
	Artistic Sequence	Dance Step Sequen	се	Travelling	Choreo Stop

Maximum Level 1

Maximum Level 1

Maximum 30 seconds

Maximum Level 1

Maximum 30 seconds

INTERMEDIATE SOLO FREE DANCE	Time: 3:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds
15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Intermediate	Note: This event is separate to the Intermediate Compulsory Solo Dance event.
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships)	

Artistic Sequence	Dance Step Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop	Cluster
Maximum Level 2 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 2 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 2	Yes	Maximum Level 1 Maximum 15 seconds

OPEN SOLO FREE DANCE	Time: 3:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds
15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Intermediate	Note: This event is separate from the Open Compulsory Solo Dance event.
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #3 (NZ Championships)	

Artistic Sequence	Dance Step Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop	Cluster
Maximum Level 3 Maximum 40 seconds	Maximum Level 3 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 3	Yes	Maximum Level 3 Maximum 20 seconds

MASTERS SOLO FREE DANCE 21 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Espoir Intermediate	Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships) 2025: Solo Dance Medal #3 (Oceania events)	

Artistic Sequence	Dance Step Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop
Maximum Level 2	Maximum Level 2	Maximum Level 2	Yes
Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum 15 seconds	Maximum 15 seconds

- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise the ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance, but NOT both – provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events.
- Masters and Advanced Masters Skaters are expected to focus on QOE scores rather than level achievements.

COUPLES DANCE

REGIONAL ONLY COUPLES COMPULSORY DANCE GRADES

NOVICE COUPLES DANCE 8 years old and over Mapped to Minis	Waltz Sequence March Sequence	Tempo: 120 Waltz Tempo: 100 March	2 sequences 4 sequences
No Medal Test Requirement			

Couples in this grade may be comprised of any two skaters regardless of gender.

ADULT COUPLES DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Minis No Medal Test Requirement	Glide Waltz Skaters March	Tempo: 120 Waltz Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences 4 sequences
Couples in this grade may be comprised of any t	wo skaters regardless	of gender.	
Skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST skate in Advanced Masters.			

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COUPLES COMPULSORY DANCE AND FREE DANCE GRADES - SEPARATE EVENTS

Note: These are all separate events

PRELIMINARY COUPLES	G-Reggae	Tempo: 84 Reggae	4 sequences
COMPULSORY DANCE	Skaters March	Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences
Mapped to Espoir Basic Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)			

PRELIMINARY COUPLES	Time: 2:15 minutes +/- 10 seconds
FREE DANCE	
10 years old and over	
Mapped to Espoir Basic	
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)	

Dance Hold Footwork Sequence	No Hold Footwork Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop	Stationary Lift
Maximum Level 1 Maximum 40 seconds	Maximum Level 1 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 1	Yes	Maximum Level 1

INTERMEDIATE COUPLES COMPULSORY DANCE	Cumbia Argentina Little Waltz	Tempo: 92 Cumbia Tempo: 132 Waltz	4 sequences 4 sequences
15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Basic			
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)			

INTERMEDIATE COUPLES FREE DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Basic	Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)	

Dance Hold Footwork Sequence	No Hold Footwork Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop	Stationary Lift
Maximum Level 1 Maximum 40 seconds	Maximum Level 1 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 1	Yes	Maximum Level 1

OPEN COUPLES COMPULSORY DANCE	Dench Blues (Double Pattern) Rocker Foxtrot	Tempo: 88 Blues Tempo: 104 Foxtrot	4 sequences 4 sequences
Mapped to Senior Basic Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #3 (NZ Championships)			

OPEN COUPLES FREE DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Basic	Time: 3:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #3 (NZ Championships)	

Dance Hold Footwork Sequence	No Hold Footwork Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop	Stationary Lift
Maximum Level 2 Maximum 40 seconds	Maximum Level 2 Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 2	Yes	Maximum Level 2

ADVANCED MASTERS COUPLES COMPULSORY DANCE 21 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Espoir Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships) 2025: Dance Couples Medal #3 (Oceania events)	Werner Tango Hickory Hoedown	Tempo: 100 Tango Tempo: 104 Hoedown	4 sequences 4 sequences
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- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Advanced Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance, but NOT both provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events.

MASTERS COUPLES COMPULSORY DANCE 25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis	Double Cross Waltz Rhythm Blues	Tempo: 138 Waltz Tempo: 92 Blues	4 sequences 4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #1 (NZ Championships) 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (Oceania events)			

- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance but NOT both provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events.

MASTERS COUPLES FREE DANCE 21 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis Intermediate	Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships) 2025: Dance Couples Medal #3 (Oceania events)	

Dance Hold Footwork Sequence	No Hold Footwork Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop
Maximum Level 2	Maximum Level 1	Maximum Level 2	Yes
Maximum 40 seconds	Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum 15 seconds	Maximum 15 seconds

- Masters skaters who are under 50 years of age and have competed in any discipline at either Junior or Senior World Championships MUST nominate in the Advanced Masters grade, if available in the discipline. Otherwise they may compete in the Masters category. Dispensation to compete in Masters grade may be requested to the Artistic Committee for reasons which compromise ability to perform at Advanced Masters level.
- Skaters can skate in Masters for Compulsories and Masters for Free Dance, or Masters Style Dance, but NOT both provided they meet the requirements as far as having skated at a previous Junior or Senior World Championship and also the age and medal tests requirements as indicated. This applies to New Zealand and Oceania events.

MASTERS COUPLES STYLE DANCE 25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Youth Intermediate Style Dance	Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds Theme: Rock Medley (1950's & 1960's) Jive, Boogie Woogie, Rock & Roll, Blues, Jazz, Soul
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #1 (NZ Championships) 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (Oceania events)	
 Requirements: Pattern Dance: Rhythm Blues - 92 Blues - 2 se Dance Hold Footwork Sequence: Maximum Le 	
 toward the level) Closed Mohawk (forward to backward) Choctaw (forward to backward). There is no limit to the number of features attempted 	wise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted d, however no features are required to be confirmed to or steps, chosen by the skater from the seven (7) listed
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For a full list of regulations and specifications regarding the technical elements and associated levels for each grade, please refer to the relevant <u>World Skate Rules for Artistic Skating Competitions Manuals 2025.</u>

For compulsory dance patterns and specifications, refer to the World Skate Dance and Solo Dance Book 2025.

FREESKATING REGIONAL ONLY FREESKATING GRADES

NEW ENTRANTS FREESKATING	Time: 2:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds	No Medal Test Requirement
Under 8 years old Mapped to Tots Intermediate		

Jumps:

- A maximum of eight (8) jumps of one (1) rotation are allowed including waltz jump.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. The number of jumps within a combination cannot be more than two (2).
- The same jump cannot be presented more than two (2) times.

Spins:

- Two (2) spin elements must be performed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum three (3) positions). One (1) has to be a solo spin.
- ONLY upright positions are allowed.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The different turns (four (4) different to be confirmed to achieve level 1) that will be counted towards the level include:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level)
- To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps MUST be confirmed (each type can ONLY be counted twice) AND Body Movement (high, medium or low).

NOTES: Referee Penalties: 1.0 deduction for every two (2) falls (please note, costume violation rules will apply).

NOVICE 1 FREESKATING

8 years old to 14 years old Mapped to Tots Intermediate

Jumps:

- A maximum of eight (8) jumps of one (1) rotation are allowed including Waltz jump.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. The number of jumps within a combination cannot be more than two (2).
- The same jump cannot be presented more than two (2) times.

Spins:

- Two (2) spin elements must be performed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum three (3) positions). One (1) has to be a solo spin.
- ONLY upright positions are allowed.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The different turns (four (4) different to be confirmed to achieve level 1) that will be counted towards the level include:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level)
- To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps MUST be confirmed (each type can ONLY be counted twice) AND Body Movement (high, medium or low).

NOTES: Referee Penalties: 1.0 deduction for every two (2) falls (please note, costume violation rules will apply).

NOVICE 2 FREESKATING	Time: 2:00 minutes +/-10 seconds	No Medal Test Requirement
8 years old to 14 years old Mapped to Tots Intermediate		

Jumps:

- A maximum of eight (8) jumps of one (1) rotation are allowed including Waltz jump.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. The number of jumps within a combination cannot be more than two (2).
- The same jump cannot be presented more than two (2) times.

Spins:

- Two (2) spin elements must be performed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum three (3) positions). One (1) has to be a solo spin.
- ONLY upright positions are allowed.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The different turns (four (4) different to be confirmed to achieve level 1) that will be counted towards the level include:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level)
- To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps MUST be confirmed (each type can ONLY be counted twice) AND Body Movement (high, medium or low).

NOTES: Referee Penalties: 1.0 deduction for every two (2) falls (please note, costume violation rules will apply).

ADULTS FREESKATING

15 years old and over Mapped to Tots Intermediate

Jumps:

- A maximum of eight (8) jumps of one (1) rotation are allowed including Waltz jump.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. The number of jumps within a combination cannot be more than two (2).
- The same jump cannot be presented more than two (2) times.

Spins:

- Two (2) spin elements must be performed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum three (3) positions). One (1) has to be a solo spin.
- ONLY upright positions are allowed.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The different turns (four (4) different to be confirmed to achieve level 1) that will be counted towards the level include:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level)
- To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps MUST be confirmed (each type can ONLY be counted twice) AND Body Movement (high, medium or low).

NOTES: Referee Penalties: 1.0 deduction for every two (2) falls (please note, costume violation rules will apply).

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FREESKATING GRADES

PRELIMINARY FREESKATING

10 years old and over Mapped to Espoir Basic

Long Programme only

Time: 2:15 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Freeskating Medal #2 (NZ Championships)

Jumps:

- A maximum of ten (10) jumps are allowed including Waltz jump. Only one (1) rotation jumps, and Axel are allowed.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. If performing two combinations, one can be no more than four (4) jumps and the other combination NOT more than two (2) jumps.
- It is mandatory to perform a Toe Loop element (single rotation), solo or in combination.
- Axel cannot be presented more than twice. If presented twice, one (1) must be in combination.
- The same one rotation jump cannot be presented more than three (3) times.

Spins:

- Maximum two (2) spin elements are allowed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum three (3) positions) and MUST include a sit spin. One (1) MUST be a solo spin.
- ONLY upright and sit positions are allowed.
- The same spin (basic position, foot and edge) cannot be presented more than two (2) times.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The four (4) steps and turns that will be counted towards the level include:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Closed Mohawk (forward to backward)
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level).

INTERMEDIATE FREESKATING	Long Programme only	Medal Test Requirement:
15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Intermediate	Time: 2:45 minutes +/- 10 seconds	2025: Freeskating Medal #2 (NZ Championships)

Jumps:

- Maximum twelve (12) jumps of one (1) rotation. Within the twelve (12) jumps Axel, Double Toe Loop and Double Salchow are allowed.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. The number of jumps within the combination cannot be more than four (4).
- It is mandatory to perform an Axel that can be presented also in combination.
- It is mandatory to perform a Toe Loop element (single or double), solo or in combination.
- Axel and doubles cannot be presented more than twice. If presented twice, one (1) must be in combination.
- The same one rotation jump cannot be presented more than three (3) times.

Spins:

- Minimum two (2), maximum three (3) spin elements are allowed. All the spins MUST be different. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum four (4) positions) and MUST include a sit spin. One (1) MUST be a solo spin. If two (2) combinations are presented, one (1) of maximum four (4) positions and one (1) of maximum three (3) positions.
- All spins are permitted except Broken, Heel and Inverted.
- It is mandatory to perform a Camel spin on any edge (solo or in combination).

Footwork Sequence:

• One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 2, Maximum 30 seconds.

OPEN FREESKATING

15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Intermediate

Long Programme only Time: 3:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Jumps:

- Maximum eight (8) jumps are allowed excluding connecting one rotation jumps in the combinations (Double Axel and triples are NOT allowed).
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed. The number of jumps within the combination cannot be more than four (4) including the connecting jumps.
- It is mandatory to perform an Axel jump (single) that can be presented also in combination.
- It is mandatory to perform a Loop, single or double, solo or in combination.
- Axel and doubles cannot be presented more than twice. If presented twice, one (1) must be in combination.
- The same one rotation jump as an item of technical value cannot be presented more than three (3) times.

Spins:

- Minimum two (2), maximum three (3) spin elements are allowed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin (maximum four (4) positions) and MUST include a sit spin. One (1) MUST be a solo spin.
- If two (2) combinations are presented, one (1) of maximum four (4) positions and one (1) of maximum three (3) positions. The spins MUST be different.
- All spins are permitted except Broken and Inverted.
- It is mandatory to perform a Camel spin on any edge (solo or in combination).

Footwork Sequence:

• One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 3, Maximum 30 seconds.

MASTERS FREESKATING 21 years old and over Mapped to Minis Long Programme in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only.	Long Programme only Time: 2:45 minutes +/- 10 seconds	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Freeskating Medal #1 (NZ Championships) 2025: Freeskating Medal #2 (Oceania events)
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Jumps:

- A Maximum of twelve (12) jumps of one (1) rotation, including Waltz Jump. Within the twelve (12) jumps, Axel, Double Toe Loop and Double Salchow are allowed.
- Maximum two (2) jumps combinations are allowed.
- The number of jumps within the combination cannot be more than five (5).
- It is mandatory to perform an Axel type jump that can be presented in combination.
- Axel and doubles cannot be presented more than twice. If presented twice, one (1) MUST be in combination.
- The same single rotation jump cannot be presented more than three (3) times.
- In the program, there MUST be at least one (1) Toe Loop element (single or double).

Spins:

• Two (2) spin elements MUST be performed. One (1) of them MUST be a combination spin up to four (4) positions. Broken Ankle, Heel, and Inverted are NOT allowed. The two (2) spins MUST be different.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The variety of steps and turns that can be counted towards the four (4) steps required for Level 1 are:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Cross in Front
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed to be performed, only one (1) will be counted toward the level)
 - Closed Mohawk (forward to backward)
 - Choctaw (forward to backward).
- There is no limit to the number of features attempted, however no features are required to be confirmed to achieve Level 1. To achieve a Level 1, four (4) turns or steps, chosen by the skater from the seven (7) listed above, MUST be confirmed and each type can ONLY be counted twice.

ARTISTIC INLINE REGIONAL ONLY INLINE GRADE

OPEN INLINE

Long Programme only

No Medal Test Requirement

No age limit Mapped to Tots Inline Time: 2:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Jumps:

- Maximum five (5) jumps are allowed. •
- Maximum one (1) combination of two (2) jumps.
- ONLY one (1) rotation jumps, Waltz jump and single Axel are allowed, on their own or in combination.
- The same jump cannot be presented more than twice. If a jump is presented twice, at least one (1) of them MUST be in a combination.

Spins:

- Maximum two (2) spin elements.
- ONLY Upright, Sit or Camel positions are allowed.
 - There MUST be one (1) spin of each of the following types: -
 - One (1) Solo Spin. 0
 - One (1) Combination Spin (Maximum three (3) positions).
- A position with the same base value (with the same foot and edge) cannot be presented more than twice. NOTE: In a Combination Spin, minimum two (2) rotations per position.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
 - To achieve Level 1, skaters MUST have one (1) of each of four (4) steps and turns confirmed:
 - Cross in Front
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk.

Choreographic Sequence:

- One (1) choreographic sequence, Maximum 30 seconds. •
- It MUST include one (1) "clear" and "visible" skating element (Ina bauer, spread eagle, camel position, artistic • upright position on one (1) foot, etc).

FREESKATING PAIRS

NATIONAL FREESKATING PAIRS GRADES

PRELIMINARY FREE PAIRS 10 years old and over Mapped to Espoir Basic	Long Programme only Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Free Pairs Medal #1 (NZ Championships)
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Jumps:

• One (1) side by side jump (solo, NOT in combination). ONLY single jumps are allowed including the Waltz Jump. **Spins:**

- One (1) contact spin (one (1) position). Selected from upright positions.
- One (1) side by side one position spin. Selected from upright and sit positions.
- One (1) contact figure with base value of 2.0. LIFTS ARE NOT ALLOWED.

Footwork Sequence:

- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.
- The four (4) steps and turns that will be counted towards the level include:
 - Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed).

Mapped to Cadet Basic (NZ Championships)	15 years old and over	Long Programme only Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Free Pairs Medal #1 (NZ Championships)
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Jumps:

- One (1) Throw Jump OR One (1) Twist Jump of maximum one (1) revolution.
- One (1) side by side jump (solo, NOT in combination). ONLY single jumps, single Axel and double jumps are allowed. **Spins:**
- One (1) contact spin (one (1) position). Impossible Camel, Impossible Sit and Reverse Layover are NOT allowed.
- One (1) side by side one position spin. Heel, Broken Ankle and Inverted are NOT allowed.
- One (1) Spiral: angel (camel) BO.
- One (1) lift: one (1) position lift (NO overhead lifts allowed. No more than four (4) rotations of the man).
- **Footwork Sequence:**
- One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 1, Maximum 30 seconds.

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Jumps:

- One (1) Throw Jump OR One (1) Twist Jump of maximum two (2) revolutions.
- One (1) side by side jump, Solo or Combination of maximum four (4) jumps including the connecting jumps. Only single jumps, single Axel and double jumps are allowed. Single rotation connecting jumps will be called as NJ and receive no value.

Spins:

- One (1) contact spin (one (1) position). Impossible Camel, Impossible Sit and Reverse Layover are NOT allowed.
- One (1) side by side one (1) position spin. All spins are permitted except Broken Ankle and Inverted.
- One (1) Spiral: angel (camel) BO or Death Spiral (outside).
- One (1) lift: one (1) position lift (no more than four (4) rotations of the man. Reverse Cartwheel (all types) and Spin Pancake are NOT allowed.

Footwork Sequence:

• One (1) footwork sequence, Maximum Level 2, Maximum 30 seconds.

PRECISION SKATING REGIONAL ONLY PRECISION TEAMS

NOVICE PRECISION 8 – 16 skaters of any age Mapped to Junior in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only	Time: 2:00 to 3:00 minutes	No Medal Test Requirement
 REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025: One (1) Block - Linear One (1) Circle - Rotating One (1) Intersection 		

NATIONAL MINI PRECISION TEAMS

OPEN MINI PRECISION 4 – 8 skaters of any age Mapped to Junior in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only	Time: 2:00 to 3:00 minutes	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Precision Medal #1 (NZ Championships)
REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025:• One (1) Line - Linear• One (1) Circle - Wheel• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Move Element• One (1) No Hold Element		

MASTERS MINI PRECISION 4 – 8 skaters, 21 years old and over Mapped to Junior in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only	Time: 2:00 to 3:00 minutes	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Precision Medal #1 (NZ Championships)
REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025:• One (1) Line - Linear• One (1) Wheel - Rotating• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Move Element• One (1) No Hold Element		

NATIONAL PRECISION TEAMS

All participants MUST belong to a club, which is a member of a National Federation. Groups may consist of individuals belonging to different clubs. All participants MUST be approved by the New Zealand Federation.

OPEN PRECISION 8 – 16 skaters of any age Mapped to Junior in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only	Time: 2:00 to 3:00 minutes	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Precision Medal #1 (NZ Championships)
REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025:• One (1) Line - Linear• One (1) Wheel - Rotating• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Move Element• One (1) No Hold Element		

MASTERS PRECISION 8 – 20 skaters, 21 years old and over Mapped to Junior in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only	Time: 2:00 to 3:00 minutes	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Precision Medal #1 (NZ Championships)
REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025:• One (1) Line - Linear• One (1) Wheel - Rotating• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Intersection• One (1) Move Element• One (1) No Hold Element		

QUARTETS REGIONAL ONLY QUARTETS

NOVICE QUARTETS	Time: 3:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds	No Medal Test Requirement
4 skaters (Maximum 1 reserve) No Age Restrictions		
Mapped to Cadet in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only		
 REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025: One (1) Line Element One (1) Travelling Sequence One (1) Creative Element 		

NATIONAL QUARTETS

 OPEN QUARTETS 4 skaters (Maximum 1 reserve) No Age Restrictions Mapped to Cadet in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only REQUIRED ELEMENTS 2025: One (1) Line Element One (1) Cluster Element One (1) Creative Element 	Time: 3:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Artistic Medal (any discipline) #1 (NZ Championships)
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SHOW GROUPS

NATIONAL SHOW GROUPS

OPEN SMALL SHOW GROUPS 6 – 15 skaters (Maximum 2 reserves) No Age Restrictions	Time: 3:30 to 4:00 minutes	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Artistic Medal (any discipline) #1 (NZ Championships)
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OPEN LARGE SHOW GROUPS 16 – 30 skaters (Maximum 2 reserves) No Age Restrictions	Time: 3:30 to 4:00 minutes	Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Artistic Medal (any discipline) #1 (NZ Championships)
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