

Artistic Requirements

New Zealand Grades 2025 V4

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	RY - 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 #3	
Youth	Discipline Specific Medal #4	Discipline Specific Medal #4	
Junior	Discipline Specific Medal #4	Discipline Specific Medal #4	Discipline Specific Medal #7
Senior	Discipline Specific Medal #5	Discipline Specific Medal #5	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 #1	Free Pairs Medal #3
Senior	Free Pairs Medal #1	Free Pairs Medal #1	Free Pairs Medal #3

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

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

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

Under 8	ENTRANTS FIGURES By years old its per figure	No Medal Test Requirement
Group	1	
1a RFO – LFO Eight 111a RFO – LFO Change Eight		
Note: A	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	
1a 1c 2a	RFO – LFO Eight RFOI – LFOI Half Eight RFI – LFI Eight	NOTE: a or c refers to a right foot start.

8 years	ICE 2 FIGURES old to 14 years old its per figure	No Medal Test Requirement
Group	1	
3a 5a/b 7a	RBO – LBO Eight FOI – FIO Change Eight RFO – LFO Threes	

ADULT 1 FIGURES 15 years old and over 2 circuits per figure		No Medal Test Requirement
Group	1	
1a RFO – LFO Eight 1c RFOI – LFOI Half Eight 2a RFI – 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.

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

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FIGURE GRADES

PRELIMINARY FIGURES 10 years old and over		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

OPEN FIGURES 15 years old and over 2 circuits per figure		Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Figure Medal #3 (NZ Championships)		
Group 1		Group 2		
22a/b 12a 32a/b	FO - BO Counters RBO - LBO Double Threes FOI - BOI Change Brackets	21a/b 28a/b 33a/b	FI - BI Rockers FOI - FIO Change Double Threes FIO - BIO Change Brackets	

ADVANCED MASTERS FIGURES	Medal Test Requirement:
1 / L vears old and over - NZ events	2025: Figure Medal #2 (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/loop circle

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

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 #1 (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	FO - FO Eight	1c/d	FOI - FOI Half Eight
2c/d	FIO - FIO Half Eight	2a/b	FI - FI Eight
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 circu	its per loop	
Group	1	
14a 15a 30a/b	RFO – LFO Loops RFI – LFI Loops FOI – FIO Change Loops	

KAIAKA LOOPS 12 years 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	17a RBI – LBI Loops 31a/b BOI – BIO Change Loops 38a/b FO – FI Paragraph Loops	
Note: Skaters competing in Youth and Junior Grades			skate <mark>Mātanga</mark> 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	Tempo: 120 Waltz	2 sequences
	March Sequence	Tempo: 100 March	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	Tempo: 120 Waltz	4 sequences
	Skaters March	Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences
ADULT 1 SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Minis (for Rollart only) No Medal Test Requirement	Waltz Sequence	Tempo: 120 Waltz	2 sequences
	March Sequence	Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences
ADULT 2 SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Minis (for Rollart only) No Medal Test Requirement	Glide Waltz	Tempo: 120 Waltz	4 sequences
	Skaters March	Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences
Skaters who are under 50 years of age and ha Championships are NOT eligible for the above		cipline at either Junior	or Senior World

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:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - o 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 Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships)	Cumbia Argentina Little Waltz	Tempo: 92 Cumbia Tempo: 132 Waltz	4 sequences 4 sequences
OPEN SOLO DANCE 15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Basic Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #3 (NZ Championships)	Dench Blues (Double Pattern) Rocker Foxtrot	Tempo: 88 Blues Tempo: 104 Foxtrot	4 sequences 4 sequences
ADVANCED MASTERS SOLO DANCE 21 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships) 2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (Oceania events)	Werner Tango Hickory Hoedown	Tempo: 100 Tango Tempo: 104 Hoedown	4 sequences 4 sequences

- 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.

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25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Solo Dance Medal #1 (NZ Championships)

2025: Solo Dance Medal #1 (Oceania events)

Double Cross Waltz Rhythm BluesTempo: 138 Waltz
Tempo: 92 Blues

4 sequences 4 sequences

 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

25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Youth Intermediate

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Solo Dance Medal #1 (NZ Championships)

2025: Solo Dance Medal #1 (Oceania events)

Time: 2:15 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Theme: Rock Medley (1950's & 1960's)
Jive, Boogie Woogie, Rock & Roll, Blues, Jazz, Soul

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:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - o Outside Three Turn
 - Cross in Front
 - o 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)
 - o 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.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SOLO FREE DANCE GRADES

PRELIMINARY SOLO FREE DANCE

10 years old and over

Mapped to Espoir Intermediate

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships)

Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Note: This event is separate to the Preliminary Compulsory

Solo Dance event.

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

INTERMEDIATE SOLO FREE DANCE

15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Intermediate

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships)

Time: 3:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Note: This event is separate to the Intermediate Compulsory Solo Dance event.

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

15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Intermediate

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Solo Dance Medal #3 (NZ Championships)

Time: 3:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Note: This event is separate from the Open Compulsory

Solo Dance event.

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

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Solo Dance Medal #2 (NZ Championships) **2025:** Solo Dance Medal #2 (Oceania events)

Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

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	Glide Waltz	Tempo: 120 Waltz	4 sequences
	Skaters March	Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences
No Medal Test Requirement			

Couples in this grade may be comprised of any two 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 COMPULSORY DANCE	G-Reggae Skaters March	Tempo: 84 Reggae Tempo: 100 March	4 sequences 4 sequences
10 years old and over Mapped to Espoir Basic			
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)			

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

PRELIMINARY COUPLES FREE DANCE

10 years old and over Mapped to Espoir Basic

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)

Time: 2:15 minutes +/- 10 seconds

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

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships)

Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Dance Hold Footwork Sequence	No Hold Footwork Sequence	Travelling	Choreo Stop	Stationary Lift
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Maximum Level 1 Maximum Level 1 Maximum 40 seconds Maximum 30 seconds	Maximum Level 1	Yes	Maximum Level 1
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OPEN COUPLES COMPULSORY 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: Dance Couples Medal #3 (NZ Championships)			

OPEN COUPLES FREE DANCE

15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Basic

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Dance Couples Medal #3 (NZ Championships)

Time: 3:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

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	Werner Tango	Tempo: 100 Tango	4 sequences
	Hickory Hoedown	Tempo: 104 Hoedown	4 sequences
Medal Test Requirement: 2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (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 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	COU	PLES
COMPULS	SORY	DANCE

25 years old and over - NZ events 30 years old and over - Oceania events Mapped to Minis

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Dance Couples Medal #1 (NZ Championships)2025: Dance Couples Medal #1 (Oceania events)

Double Cross Waltz
Rhythm Blues

Tempo: 138 Waltz Tempo: 92 Blues 4 sequences 4 sequences

- 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

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Dance Couples Medal #2 (NZ Championships) **2025:** Dance Couples Medal #2 (Oceania events)

Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

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

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Dance Couples Medal #1 (NZ Championships)2025: Dance Couples Medal #1 (Oceania events)

Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Theme: Rock Medley (1950's & 1960's)

Jive, Boogie Woogie, Rock & Roll, Blues, Jazz, Soul

Requirements:

- Pattern Dance: Rhythm Blues 92 Blues 2 sequences one (1) circuit of the floor
- Dance Hold Footwork Sequence: Maximum Level 1, Maximum 40 seconds
- The variety of steps and turns that can be counted towards the four (4) steps required for Level 1 are:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - o 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.

For a full list of regulations and specifications regarding the technical elements and associated levels for each grade, please refer to the relevant World Skate Rules for Artistic Skating Competitions Manuals 2025.

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:
 - o 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 a 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	Time: 2:00 minutes +/-10 seconds	No Medal Test Requirement
8 years old to 10 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:
 - o 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 a 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
11 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:
 - o 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
 a 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	Time: 2:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds	No Medal Test Requirement
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:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - o 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 a 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:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - o 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

15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Intermediate Long Programme only

Time: 2:45 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Medal Test Requirement:

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

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Freeskating Medal #3 (NZ Championships)

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 #1 (Oceania events)

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:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - o 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)
 - o 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 No age limit Mapped to Tots Inline	Long Programme only Time: 2:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds	No Medal Test Requirement
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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.
 - 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:
 - o Cross in Front
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - o Outside Three Turn
 - o 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)

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:
 - o Inside Three Turn
 - Outside Three Turn
 - Open Mohawk
 - o Travelling (one clockwise and one counter-clockwise allowed).

INTERMEDIATE FREE PAIRS

15 years old and over Mapped to Cadet Basic

Long Programme only

Time: 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Free Pairs Medal #1 (NZ Championships)

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.

OPEN FREE PAIRS

15 years old and over Mapped to Senior Basic

Long Programme only

Time: 3:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

Medal Test Requirement:

2025: Free Pairs Medal #1 (NZ Championships)

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	Time: 2:00 to 3:00 minutes	No Medal Test Requirement
8 – 16 skaters of any age Mapped to Junior in RollArt for scoring framework purposes only		
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) Wheel - Rotating 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) 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) 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) Move Element One (1) No Hold Element 		

QUARTETS

REGIONAL ONLY QUARTETS

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

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)
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)