## ART NEWS FLASH – 11 DECEMBER, 2024 NZ RULES AND REQUIREMENTS UPDATES

## **Artistic Numbers**

Earlier this year the requirement to wear artistic registration numbers was removed for all tests and events EXCEPT for figures in competition. After some feedback from officials the Committee has decided to re-instate artistic registration numbers for medal tests. It will still be optional to wear numbers in Freeskating, Dance, Solo Dance and Group events in competition.

## Same Sex Dance Couples

In 2024 the Art Committee opened Novice and Adult Dance couples events to any couple regardless of gender. As communicated at the time of the update, this was done to test the concept in competition before considering extending the change to further grades. However, there was only one couple who chose to enter this grade in 2024. After feedback received at the 2024 artistic AGM the committee have decided to extend this change to Preliminary Couples for the 2025 skating year. If you have a couple considering entering this even in your club the Committee would like to advise them that this is the year to give it a go. If there continues to be very low levels of interest in this change then it may be revoked after 2025.

Please circulate this News Flash to all your club members.

Yours In Skating,

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