

SPECIAL OLYMPICS BC - Figure Skating Criteria for Sanctioning of Competition

Due to the unique nature of the sport of Figure Skating, it is recommended that Locals wishing to host a regional qualifier approach a well established generic competition with the intention of hosting a joint event. The rationale for this approach is multi-faceted including but not limited to the following:

1. The low athlete numbers experienced by the sport of Figure Skating within Special Olympics BC makes it difficult for any one (1) region to host a quality competitive opportunity for athletes and coaches. As such it is in the best interests of athletes and coaches to host joint events for the purposes of qualifying for Provincial Games.
2. The resources necessary to host a quality Figure Skating competition are extensive, i.e. Ice Time and Certified Officials. By building a partnership with a well established generic competition and/or generic club your access to these resources will be enhanced.

SPORT RULES

Refer to SOC Sport Rules and SOBC Exceptions to the SOC Sport Rules (if applicable). Rules can be found on the Special Olympics BC website www.specialolympics.bc.ca at

Resources → Sport Rules, Resources and Videos → Figure Skating

DIVISIONING

Athletes are to be divisioned using the Special Olympics Canada Official Divisioning Process.

FACILITY

Refer to the Special Olympics Canada Official Sport Rules for details on facility specifications.

SPORT OFFICIALS

Due to the technical nature of the sport of figure skating the following officials, (refer to attached form) must be in place prior to applying for sanctioning from the Provincial Office, (form must be included with the application for sanctioning). For assistance in recruiting individuals appropriate for these roles please contact the SOBC Provincial Office. Brief job descriptions for each of these positions can be found in the SOBC Event Planning Guide for figure skating.

The Chief Judge, Head Referee and Chief Accountant must have successfully completed the Skate Canada – BC/YK Section Officials Training Program and must be registered on the official Skate Canada – BC/YK Section judges and accountants list.

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MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

The following are the minimum requirements for medical coverage at sanctioned Special Olympics BC Figure Skating competition.

- Two (2) First Aid attendants - (standard certification)

**Special Olympics BC – Figure Skating
Officials Registration Form**

The Officials listed on this form must be certified under the 'Official Certification Program' of their respective National/Provincial Sport Organization. Officials if not presently registered with Special Olympics BC must complete the SOBC's Event Participation Waiver and Media Release to be covered under the organization's insurance policy.

POSITION	NAME	HOME TELEPHONE	ALTERNATE TELEPHONE	E-MAIL
Chief Referee				
Assistant Referee				
Chief Accountant				
Assistant Accountant				
Judge One (1)				
Judge Two (2)				
Judge Three (3)				

