

2019/2020 Proposed Enhancements for Youth Program

- The goal is to implement an International Youth program to help our skaters become more competitive internationally, with minimal interruption of our current and successful Domestic Program.
- Adult and Elite programs will not change, as the FSC restructured the Adult program in 2018 and continues to work with Coaches and skaters to have no or little impact to this structure. The Elite program will continue to follow World Skate rules and guidelines.
- Figures & Loops - this enhancement will not affect our current Figure and Loop events, as we have shown success in international competitions in compulsory figures and believe our current structure is building stronger figure/loop skaters than most other countries.

2019–2020 Figure Events (same as before, no change in requirements):

Figures	Loops	Combined	Ages
Primary A	Primary A	Primary A	8 & under
Juvenile A	Juvenile A	Juvenile A	10 & under
Elementary A	Elementary A	Elementary A	12 & under
Freshman A	Freshman A	Freshman A	14 & under
Sophomore A	Sophomore A	Sophomore A	15 & up
Fresh/Soph A	Fresh/Soph A	Fresh/Soph A	13 & up
Advanced	Advanced	Advanced	15 & up
Juvenile B	Juvenile B	Juvenile B	10 & under
Elementary B	Elementary B	Elementary B	12 & under
Fresh/Soph B	Fresh/Soph B	Fresh/Soph B	13 & up

- Freeskating and Pairs - this enhancement will change most freeskating and pairs A events, adopting the World Skate structure and requirements. Currently World Skate Youth program doesn't have short program available for the Primary/Juvenile ages, as they agree with us, stronger basics are needed at that age, prior to moving into short/long programs. We will maintain our Junior and B level Freeskating events as well as Fresh/Soph pairs in their current for skaters who are not prepared or do not wish to skate the World Skate Structure.

2019–2020 Freeskating Events:

Freeskating	Requirements	Ages
Tots	World Skate Requirements (long program ONLY)	8 & under
Mini		10 & under
Espoir	World Skate Requirements (short and long program)	12 & under
Cadet		14 & under
Youth		15 & up
Advanced (name change from Junior)	No change in current requirements	15 & up
Juv/Elem B		10 & under
Fresh/Soph B		12 & under
Open Inline		13 & up

2019–2020 Pairs Events:

Pairs	Requirements	Ages
Mini	World Skate Requirements (long program ONLY)	10 & under
Espoir	World Skate Requirements (short and long program)	12 & under
Cadet		14 & under
Youth		15 & up
Fresh/Soph	No change in current requirements	13 & up

- Domestic Solo and Team dance - the Domestic structure will remain intact, as our fundamentals in dancing is still the standard for us and many other countries. Coaches can continue to move skaters in the Domestic tracking, with the same level of success they have experienced over the years.

2019–2020 Domestic Dance Events (same as before, no change in requirements):

Solo Dance	Ages	Team Dance	Ages
Primary A	8 & under	Juvenile	10 & under
Juvenile A	10 & under	Elementary	12 & under
Elementary A	12 & under	Fresh/Soph A	13 & up
Freshman A	14 & under	Fresh/Soph B	13 & up
Sophomore A	15 & up		
Junior	N/A		
Senior	N/A		
Juv/Elem B	12 & under		
Fresh/Soph B	13 & up		

- International Solo and Team Dance - This enhancement will split the International Dance events into separate ages, with compulsory and freedance, thus having 4 separate age divisions vs. the two or one we have today. Primary will not have a separate international event, as we stated in the freeskiing, that age should start with American Domestic standards, prior to moving into an international format. Additionally, we are allowing crossover from domestic and international dance events, for the season that a skater may be transitioning from one to other.

2019–2020 Domestic Dance Events (all events follow World Skate requirements and do both compulsory and free dance):

Solo Dance	Ages	Team Dance	Ages
Mini	10 & under	Mini	10 & under
Espoir	12 & under	Espoir	12 & under
Cadet	14 & under	Cadet	14 & under
Youth	15 & up	Youth	15 & up

- All creative and other show events will remain unchanged.
- For World Skate events that have two segments (short and long program, or compulsory and free dance), the entry fees will be increased but skaters will skate twice for that increased entry fee.