

ART NEWS FLASH – 3 DECEMBER, 2024

International Teams Updates

Oceania/Pacific Cup Dates

We have been authorised to share the following information: Oceania Championships and proposed Pacific Cup dates are Mon 25th – Sun 31st August 2025 in Australia. Further details are to be confirmed.

Medal Requirements for Oceania/Pacific Cup Team

Over the past few years the medal requirements for qualification for the NZ Oceania and Pacific Cup teams have been raised. This was done in an effort to improve the standard of skating within our international teams. After studying the NZ ranking data from competitions over the past three years it appears that, for some events, there is a disconnect between our top ranked skaters and the skaters who are selected to our teams.

While the Committee works towards releasing our new proficiency tests (Star Skate) and in the interests of fairness and consistency, the Artistic Committee is changing the medal criteria for qualification to the NZ Oceania Champs and Pacific Cup teams to the current NZ Champs Medal requirement. This change is **only for the 2025 skating year** and **only for the NZ Oceania Champs and Pacific Cup teams**. World Team medal requirements will stay the same.

The committee would still like to encourage skaters to work towards higher medal tests in the remainder of this medal season.

2025 NZ International Teams Qualifying Competitions

The qualifying competitions for 2025 NZ International Teams are:

- 1) Graeme Sheppard Challenge & Joan Alexander Championships
- 2) NZ Championships

2025 NZ International Teams Contribution Levy

The NZ International Teams Contribution Levy will be set for 2025 at the following rates:

NZ Oceania Champs and Pacific Cup Team and Management - \$500

NZ World and World Figure Cup Teams and Management - \$700

Team Uniforms

There will be new International Team uniforms in 2025. Uniforms are currently in the design phase. More information will be sent out in early 2025.

Please circulate this News Flash to all your club members.

Yours In Skating,

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