

BELGIAN FEDERATION MINIMUM POINTS SYSTEM

The Belgian Federation has the pleasure to introduce a new scoring system, based on the Minimum Technical Element Score (TES), like the one being used by the ISU. This new scoring system will start September 1st 2015.

What does the system look like?

A new test to enter competitions named “Competition Level Test”.

To enter B-competition a skater will have to obtain a Competition level test. Skaters already owning a Pre-Preliminary MIF test will be equated with this test and can participate B-category competitions. This means that skaters with a Pre-Preliminary test won't have to take part in the Competition Level Test.

A Competition Level Test contains:

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| 1) Forward stroking (the same pattern as in Pre-Preliminary MIF) | 1 point |
| 2) Forward cross-over in eight form | 1 point |
| 3) Backward cross-over in eight form | 1 point |
| 4) Forward outside three-turns in eight form | 1 point |

All the elements need to be passed.

A guide line about this test will be published on the website www.skatebelgium.be and this in due time.

The MIF tests which were hold up this season 2014-2015 will continue toll stay and can be practiced further and national tests dates for this will still exist in the new season.

The new MIF tests which are being taken at the moment in the USA, won't be taken in Belgium until further notion from the federation (KBKF).

MIF tests aren't necessary anymore for A-competitions or B-competitions.

Level tests.

Level tests can be earned like in old system in A-competitions, B-competitions, ISU-listed competitions or International Interclub Competitions.

The new scoring system is based on the level system of the season 2014-2015 (which was according to demanded elements). The new scoring system was also checked with the Technical Element Score (TES) of season 2014-2015 of skaters who obtained a national level test during the 2014-2015 season. To obtain a fair and

realistic scoring system for the new scoring system levels, the same line was being kept.

The level tests also obtained a new name in the new system:

Table of comparison:

New name	Old name
Miniemen level	none
(The new test for Miniemen will be skated in B-competitions in the new category Pre-Miniemen).	
Novice A level	Small Bronze
Novice B level	Bronze
Adv. Novice level	Small Silver
Junior level	Silver
Senior level	Small Gold
Master level	Gold

To obtain a new level, a skater needs in the new system a Technical Element Score (TES).

These TES are the following:

Miniemen level: **5.50 points** (TES) for Girls and Boys

To obtain this level a skater needs to skate first in the category Pre-Miniemen and have at least a Competition level or a Pre-preliminary MIF test.

Novice A level: **7.00 points** (TES) for Girls and Boys

Novice B level: **10.00 points** (TES) for Girls and Boys

Adv. Novice level: **15.50 points** (TES) for Girls

17.00 points (TES) for Boys

Junior level: **17.50 points** (TES) for Ladies

19.50 points (TES) for Men

Senior level: **31.00 points** (TES) for Ladies

35.50 points (TES) for Men

B-competitions:

Skaters can participate in categories according their obtained level. (See B-category regulations)

To obtain a Miniemen level, there will be a new category introduced, called Pre-Miniemen. The skaters in this category need to have a competition level test or Pre-preliminary MIF test. Again the ones who already have a Pre-preliminary MIF test don't have to take the Competition level test.

Remarks:

- When categories have more than 36 entrees, skaters will be divided into different age group.
- When there are less than three (3) skaters in an age group, they will skate with the next age group of the same category.
- A-competitions skaters will skate in a separate group according their category in B-competitions. This is a motivational idea so B-competitions skaters can skate against people of the same level.
- Clubs enter their competitors in the categories they need to skate in for the competition and the Belgian Federation will publish, in time, if categories will be divided into age groups or not. This will be published on the website www.skatebelgium.be.
- Boys/Men will have their warmup in the last warming up group of the same Girls/Ladies category (if this is possible).
- Skaters who have obtained a Pre-preliminary MIF test but don't have the Miniemen level yet (minimum TES season 2014-2015 of 5,50 points TES) will start the new season in the category Pre-Miniemen even if they already participated in Miniemen categories in the season 2014-2015.

A-competitions:

Skaters can participate in A-competitions according their age and obtained level.
(See A-category Regulations).

There will be **NO** category Pre-Miniemen in A-competitions.

- Only Miniemen up to Senior categories.
- When categories are bigger than 36 skaters, the category will be divided according their age (for example: Novice A group 1 – Novice A group 2)
- Boys/Men will have their warmup in the last warming up group of the same Girls/Ladies category (if this is possible).

Belgian National Team:

- The Belgian National team will exist of four different teams.
- These teams are divided into different levels of difficulty.
- For each team international competitions are proposed according to the level of the skaters.

See the following description below:

TEAM-A:

To be part of this team, skaters have obtained the Minimum Technical Score according ISU regulations 1891 and ISU-listed competitions (**no national competitions**) for participation in Junior Worlds, Senior Europeans and Senior World Championships.

Skaters part of this team can participate in:

- Senior Europeans and World Championship
- Junior World Championship
- Junior Grand Prix: if at least one of the minimum TES (either Free or Short minimum TES) has been obtained.

Remark:

When there are two or more skaters who have obtained the minimum TES, an evaluation will be made and this according the participated ISU-listed competitions of the season in which the Championship (Europeans, Worlds or Junior Worlds) takes place. Evaluation will be made by making an average of the TES of the short programs of the competitions in which the skater participated. The skater with the highest average will be send out to the specific Championship. The TES of the short program is used for the evaluation since the short program is the qualifying program at European and World Championships.

TEAM-C:

To be part of this team, skaters have obtained the following minimum TES at:
national A-Competitions, or International Interclub competitions.

They can participate in **International NON ISU-listed competitions and Interclub competitions.** (List will follow throughout the season)

Minimum Technical Scores:

Miniemen (Chicks, Cubs, Youngsters) **7.50 points** (TES) for Girls

7.00 points (TES) for Boys

Novice A **11.00 points** (TES) for Girls

13.00 points (TES) for Boys

Novice B **13.00 points** (TES) for Girls

13.00 points (TES) for Boys

Advanced Novices (FREE) **17.00 points** (TES) for Girls

20.00 points (TES) for Boys

Junior (SHORT) **15.00 points** (TES) for Ladies

16.00 points (TES) for Men

Junior (FREE) **24.00 points** (TES) for Ladies

27.00 points (TES) for Men

Senior (SHORT) **16.00 points** (TES) for Ladies

18.00 points (TES) for Men

Senior (FREE) **29.00 points** (TES) for Ladies

35.00 points (TES) for Men

Remark: Skater participating in International competitions of this level, need to send to the Belgian Federation, **within three (3) days of ending of the competition** their official result including the Judges Scores.

TEAM-D:

To be part of this team, skaters have obtained a **Competition level or Pre-preliminary MIF**.

These skaters have the criteria to compete in A-~~or~~ B- national competitions.

They can participate in **International Interclub competitions of lower level**.

(List will follow throughout the season).

Remark:

Skater participating in International competitions of this level, need to send to the Belgian Federation, **within three (3) days of ending of the competition** their official result including the Judges Scores.

Some general remarks:

- Skater participating in NON ISU-listed-, International competitions and Interclubs need permission of the Federation to participate in these events.
- For ISU-listed competitions, the entry will be made by the Federation (KBKF).
- If there are skaters who are still participating without notification, their TES obtained at these competitions won't be taken into account for the national database and therefore cannot taken into account for levels or the national team (team A-B-C team)
- A team skater obtaining the requirement for a higher team will start immediately in that team.
- For season 2015-2016 the federation will publish a list on the website www.skatebelgium.be with propositions of International competitions and Interclub competitions for the Teams B, C and D skaters however this list can be complemented throughout the season.
- Skater in higher Teams can always compete in competitions of lower teams.