



## REGULATIONS FOR NATIONAL JUDGES

### General regulations applying to ALL judges and trial judges

- Judges must fully adhere to the ISU code of ethics (see [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org), ISU Communications 2215 and 2265).
- They must keep themselves fully informed about all matters concerning the performance of their duties in the current General Regulations and Special Regulations and Technical Rules, ISU communications and manual, handbooks and booklets and all updates published on the ISU website [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org) and national website [www.skatebelgium.be](http://www.skatebelgium.be).
- Comport themselves with discretion always.
- Wear sober non-striking clothes during judging events.
- Not communicate any results nor oral nor written during competition.
- Refrain from contact during the competition with parents, skaters and coaches.
- Refrain from all comments after the conclusion of the competition.
- Must refrain themselves from all comments regarding national competitions and/or national skaters on social network sites or other public media.
- Only Level 3 National judges can be referee in national competitions.

### Conflicts of interest

- A judge **cannot** be a board member of any regional or national federation. He/she can be involved in an advisory Committee towards a regional or national federation (ref. Code of Ethics).

### Invitations to foreign competitions

- Judges who have not yet successfully completed Level 3 / National Judge are **not allowed** to judge foreign competitions.
- Judges who are invited to foreign competitions must have a prior approval from the Board. Invitations to judge foreign competitions need to be sent to :

[president.skatebelgium@gmail.com](mailto:president.skatebelgium@gmail.com)

(President KBKF/FRBPA)

[secretariaat.kbkf@telenet.be](mailto:secretariaat.kbkf@telenet.be)

(General Secretary KBKF/FRBPA)

Approval will in principle only be granted if this does not jeopardize the normal course of a Belgian activity, in other words, if there is no competition in Belgium at the same time (see KBKF/FRBPA Internal Regulations). To this end, the Board seeks advice from the person(s) responsible for drawing up the panels.

[agrevisse@gmail.com](mailto:agrevisse@gmail.com)

(President Judges Committee)

[ina\\_verrelst@hotmail.com](mailto:ina_verrelst@hotmail.com)

(Responsible panels)

An exception can be made for invitations to competitions whose importance clearly exceeds the importance of the Belgian competition, such as, but not exclusively, I.S.U. competitions, or if the foreign competition is necessary for, or unmistakably contributes to the personal trajectory of the judge.

The approval is formally communicated by the President and/or General Secretary KBKF/FRBPA to the foreign federation and/or Organization Committee, as well as the judge concerned. A judge **cannot** personally commit himself to the foreign federation or organization.

**Club activities**

- A judge or trial judge can be member of a skating club.
- A judge or trial judge is allowed to teach within a club but only at recreational level and during group sessions. Judges must therefore at all times refrain from :
  - o Coaching/teaching one-on-one,
  - o preparing skaters for, or coaching skaters during recreational competitions,
  - o preparing skaters for Competition Level Tests.

**Returning after absence**

- A judge who wants to serve again after a long absence, need to send a written application to the Judges Committee by mail to:
  - [agrevisse@gmail.com](mailto:agrevisse@gmail.com) (President Judges Committee)
  - [ina\\_verrelst@hotmail.com](mailto:ina_verrelst@hotmail.com) (Responsible panels)
- If a Level 3 Judge / National Judge hasn't judged for a maximum of three (3) years before returning, the judge will have to restart in level 2.
- If a judge hasn't judged for more than three (3) years before returning, the judge will have to restart in level 1, regardless the level the judge had before.

**To be eligible as a Trial Judge, the following requirements need to be fulfilled:**

- A trial judge needs to have reached the age of sixteen (16) years but not reached the age of sixty (60) years in the calendar year of the nomination.
- Have been a former skater.
- Haven't participated in any competition during the season in which the candidate is applying to become a trial judge.
- There will be only one (1) starting moment for trial judges to take the element identification test and seminar. This will be at the beginning of skating season preferably during the month of September.
- Have an active knowledge of English language.
- Attend a training seminar for trial judges + element identification.
- He/she needs to send in a written application with CV to the Judges Committee by mail to:

[francoise.derappard@outlook.com](mailto:francoise.derappard@outlook.com)

**After the authorization of the Judges Committee, the following requirements apply:**

- **Trial judging** for at least five (5) competitions in at least two (2) different categories in a maximum period of twelve (12) months in the following levels:
  - Pre-Miniemen (B-competitions),
  - Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Basic Novice (A-& B-competitions)
- **Trial judging** in at least two (2) tests in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.

**When do you pass trial judging?**

- After a positive evaluation report trial judging from the Judges Committee to start level 1 judging.

**What if illness doesn't allow you to trial judge certain competitions during your year of training ?**

- If the required numbers are obtained during the twelve (12) months of training, you will receive an evaluation report from the Judges Committee.
- If the required numbers are **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary numbers within the next twelve (12) months.

**What if you don't succeed for trial judging?**

- You will get one (1) more chance to obtain the criteria and all the requirements need to be done all over again.

**To be eligible as a Level 1 Judge the following requirements need to be fulfilled:**

- A Level 1 judge needs to have reached the age of seventeen (17) years but not reached the age of sixty-one (61) years in the calendar year of the first nomination.
- Have received a positive evaluation report Trial Judging from the Judges Committee.
- **Judging** in at least five (5) competitions in at least two (2) different categories in a maximum period of twelve (12) months in the following levels:
  - Pre-Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Basic Novice (A- & B-competitions)

And this within the twelve (12) months training period.

- **Judging** in at least one (1) Competition Level Test in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- **Trial judging** in the category Intermediate Novice (A- & B-competitions) in at least 3 competitions in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- Follow at least one (1) judges seminar per every two seasons.

**When are you a Level 1 judge?**

- After receiving a positive evaluation report Level 1 from the Judges Committee.

**What if illness doesn't allow you to judge certain competitions during your year of training ?**

- If the required numbers are obtained during the twelve (12) months of training, you will receive an evaluation report from the Judges Committee.
- If the required numbers are **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary numbers within the next twelve (12) months.

**What if you don't succeed for Level 1 judging?**

- You will get one (1) more chance to obtain the criteria and all the requirements need to be done all over again.

**To be eligible as a Level 2 Judge the following requirements need to be fulfilled:**

- A Level 2 judge needs to have reached the age of eighteen (18) years but not reached the age of sixty-two (62) years in the calendar year of the nomination.
- Have received a positive evaluation report Level 1 judging from the Judges Committee.
- **Judging** in at least five (5) competitions in at least two (2) different categories in a maximum period of twelve (12) months in the following levels:
  - Pre-Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Basic Novice (A- & B-competitions)
  - Intermediate Novice (A- & B-competitions)
- **Judging** in at least two (2) Competition Level Tests in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- **Trial judging** in the category Advanced Novice (A- & B-competitions) in at least 3 competitions in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- Follow at least one (1) judges seminar per every two seasons.

**When are you a Level 2 judge?**

- After receiving a positive evaluation report Level 2 of the Judges Committee.

**What if illness doesn't allow you to judge certain competitions during your year of training ?**

- If the required numbers are obtained during the twelve (12) months of training, you will receive an evaluation report from the Judges Committee.
- If the required numbers are **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary numbers within the next twelve (12) months.

**What if you don't succeed for Level 2 Judge ?**

- You will get 1 (one) more chance to obtain the criteria and all the requirements need to be done all over again.
- However, if the judge indicates that he doesn't want to be a Level 2, the Judges Committee will take note of this and the judge will remain Level 1 judge.

**To be eligible as a Level 3 Judge / National Judge the following requirements need to be fulfilled:**

- A Level 3 National judge needs to have reached the age of nineteen (19) years but not reached the age of sixty-three (63) years in the calendar year of the nomination.
- Have received a positive evaluation report Level 2 Judging from the Technical Committee.
- **Judging** in at least five (5) competitions in at least two (2) different categories in a maximum period of twelve (12) months in the following levels:
  - Pre-Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Miniemen (B-competitions)
  - Basic Novice (A- & B-competitions)
  - Intermediate Novice (A- & B-competitions)
  - Advanced Novice (A- & B-competitions)
- **Judging** in at least two (2) Competition Level Tests in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- **Trial judging** in the categories Junior and Senior (A- & B- competitions) in at least 3 competitions in a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- Follow at least one (1) judges seminar per every two (2) seasons.

**When are you a Level 3 Judge / National judge?**

After receiving a positive evaluation report Level 3 Judge / National Judge from the Judges Committee.

**What if illness doesn't allow you to judge certain competitions during your year of training ?**

- If the required numbers are obtained during the twelve (12) months of training, you will receive an evaluation report from the Judges Committee.
- If the required numbers are **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary numbers within the next twelve (12) months.

**What if you don't succeed for Level 3 Judge / National judge ?**

- You will get one (1) more chance to obtain the criteria and all the requirements need to be done all over again.
- However, if the judge indicates that he doesn't want to be a Level 3 Judge / National judge, the Judges Committee will take note of this and the judge will remain Level 2 judge.

**INTERNATIONAL JUDGE****How to become a candidate to the ISU Global seminar for International Judge ?**

- You need to be graduated as National Judge.
- The National judge needs to have reached the age of twenty-four (24) years but not reached the age of fifty (50) years in the calendar year of the first nomination.  
If the judge is already on the ISU List of International or ISU Judges /Referees for another ISU Figure Skating Discipline, the age limit of 50 does not apply.  
(ISU Rule 413)
- Send a written application to participate in the ISU Global seminar by mail to :  
[francoise.derappard@outlook.com](mailto:francoise.derappard@outlook.com)
- After receiving a positive evaluation report from the Judges Committee to be nominated as a candidate to enter the ISU Global seminar for International Judge.
- The final decision regarding the applications rests with the Board KBKF/FRBPA.