



REGULATIONS FOR NATIONAL TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS

GENERAL RULES

- A Technical Specialist must fully adhere to the ISU code of ethics (see 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 and National website 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 also refrain themselves from all comments regarding national competitions and/or national skaters on social network sites or other public media.
- A Technical Specialist needs to provide a list of all the skaters he/she is working with on a regular basis (regular = at least once a week) to the responsible TS. The TS needs to inform the responsible TS by mail within a week after the end of the cooperation with one of his skaters. If the responsible TS is not informed, this TS is considered as still working with this skater.
- No Technical Specialist can call any previous students of him/her for twelve months (12) after the student stopped working with the coach.
- A Technical Specialist **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).
- A National Technical Specialist who receives an invitation to a foreign national- or international interclub competition needs to inform the responsible TS. The national grill and the importance of the competition need be taken into account. Technical Specialists who have not successfully completed Level 3 / National Technical Specialist are **not allowed** to go abroad.
- A Technical Specialists who wants to serve again after a long absence, need to send a written application to the responsible TS by mail to:

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If a National Technical Specialist hasn't served calling for more than three (3) years before returning, the TS will have to restart in level 2.



To be eligible as a TECHNICAL SPECIALIST, the following requirements need to be fulfilled:

- Have reached the age of eighteen (18) years but not reached the age of seventy (70) years in the calendar year of the nomination.
- Have been a former Skater with minimum Junior level figure skating test (TES) and/or Junior PCS test and/or Junior MIF.
- Haven't participated in national or international interclub A & B competition during the season in which the candidate is applying to become a Technical Specialist Level 1.
- Be involved on at least a weekly basis with the technical aspect of figure skating.
- Have the highest knowledge of the discipline concerned with regards to the technical aspects.
- Possess good communication skills.
- Have an active knowledge of the English language (the language of conduct during the call procedure is English).
- Have a high knowledge of the Technical Panel Handbook and all related communications and regulations.
- Be able to take directions and work within a team environment.
- Send in a written application with CV to the responsible TS by mail to:

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TECHNICAL SPECIALIST LEVEL 1

After the authorization of the responsible TS, the following requirements apply:

- Listening in on a Technical Panel during at least three (3) national competitions in Belgium with a min. of 25 skaters per competition, to be performed within twelve (12) months.
- Attend a seminar for Technical Specialists within this training level 1 duration.

When do you become Technical Specialist Level 1 ?

- The TS should send a detailed report of all his/her achievements during this training duration to the responsible TS to claim his/her upgrade to the next level.
- After receiving a positive evaluation report Technical Specialist level 1 from the responsible TS.
- After passing a written examination.

What if illness doesn't allow you to follow certain competitions during your training?

- If the required number of competitions is obtained during the twelve (12) months of level 1, you are able to receive an evaluation by the responsible TS.
- If the required number of competitions is **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary number within the next twelve (12) months.

What if you don't succeed for this training level?

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



TECHNICAL SPECIALIST LEVEL 2

To be eligible for Technical Specialist Level 2, the following requirements need to be fulfilled:

- Have fulfilled all criteria to have passed Technical Specialist Level 1.
- Serve as TS and/or ATS in a Technical Panel in at least five (5) national or international A-competitions and five (5) national or international B (or Adult)-competitions in Belgium with a min. of 25 skaters per competition, to be performed within twenty-four (24) months or sooner.
- Attend a seminar for Technical Specialists within this training level 2 duration.
- Have a high knowledge of the Technical Panel Handbook and all related communications and regulations.

When do you become a technical specialist level 2 ?

- The TS should send a detailed report of all his/her achievements during this training duration to the responsible TS to claim his/her upgrade to the next level.
- After receiving a positive evaluation report Technical Specialist level 2 from the responsible TS.
- After passing a written theoretical examination and element identification.

What if illness doesn't allow you to attend certain competitions during your training?

- If the required number of competitions is obtained during the twenty-four (24) months of level 2, you are able to receive an evaluation by the responsible TS.
- If the required number of competitions is **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary number within the next twenty-four (24) months.

What if you don't succeed for this training level?

- You will get one (1) more chance to obtain Level 2 and all previous requirements of Level 2 need to be done all over again.



TECHNICAL SPECIALIST LEVEL 3 / NATIONAL TECHNICAL SPECIALIST

To be eligible for National Technical Specialist, the following requirements need to be fulfilled:

- Have fulfilled all criteria to have passed Technical Specialist level 2.
- Serve as TS and/or ATS in a Technical Panel in at least five (5) national or international A-competitions and five (5) national or international B (or Adult)-competitions in Belgium with a min. of 25 skaters per competition, to be performed within twenty-four (24) months.
- Attend a seminar for Technical Specialists within this training level 3 duration.
- Be able to take directions and work within a team environment.

When do you become a National Technical Specialist?

- The TS should send a detailed report of all his/her achievements during this training duration to the responsible TS to claim his/her upgrade to the next level.
- After receiving a positive evaluation report National Technical Specialist from the responsible TS.
- After passing a practical examination National Technical Specialist.
This practical examination will be examined during one of our Belgian competitions. The TS will be evaluated for 4 programs, within at least 2 different categories. The date of this examination will be determined by the responsible TS.

What if illness doesn't allow you to follow certain competitions during your training?

- If the required number of competitions is obtained during the twenty-four (24) months of level 3, you are able to receive an evaluation by the responsible TS.
- If the required number of competitions is **not** obtained, you will have to start over again to get the necessary number within the next twenty-four (24) months.

What if you don't succeed for this training level?

- You will get one (1) more chance to obtain Level 3 and all previous requirements of training level 3 need to be done all over again.



How do you keep your status as a National Technical Specialist?

- Be eligible, cfr. requirements mentioned above
- During at least twenty-four (24) months act as TS or ATS in at least three (3) national or international A-competitions and three (3) national or international B (or adult)-competitions in Belgium, with a min. of 25 skaters per competition.
- Follow a seminar for Technical Specialist at least every twenty-four (24) months.
- Pass a written examination and element identification exam within every twenty-four (24) months.
- The TS should send a small overview of all his/her achievements during this period to the responsible TS to keep his/her status as a National Technical Specialist.

What if you don't meet these criteria ?

- You keep your status as a National Technical Specialist for one (1) more period of twenty-four (24) months.
- You are, however, no longer allowed to go abroad to national and/or international competitions until you meet the above criteria again.
- Result will be taken into account to serve at national/regional championships and international interclub A-competitions.
- If you don't succeed for 2 consecutive periods, you will lose your status as a National Technical Specialist and you will have to restart in training level 2.



INTERNATIONAL SPECIALIST

How to become a candidate to the ISU Global seminar for International Specialist?

- You need to be graduated as National Technical Specialist.
- The National Technical Specialist has reached at least the age of twenty-four (24) years but not reached the age of seventy (70) in the calendar year of the nomination.
- Send a written application to the responsible TS to participate in the ISU Global seminar by mail.

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- After receiving a positive evaluation report from the responsible TS nominating you as a candidate to enter the ISU Global seminar for international TS.
- The final decision regarding the applications rests with the Board KBKF/FRBPA.

