

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 2115

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

ISU Officials Seminars for ISU Referees, ISU Judges, ISU Technical Controllers and ISU Technical Specialists

1. Seminar for Officials serving at ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2018 and ISU Synchronized Skating Junior World Championships 2018

The seminar will take place in:

Vierumäki Resort - The Sport Institute of Finland
Urheiluoopistontie 400, Vierumäki

on November 9 – 12, 2017

This initiative is intended to assist our Officials in the preparation for their duties at the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships in 2018 and ISU Synchronized Skating Junior World Championships 2018.

This will be an intensive seminar to update all Officials with the latest rules and regulations applicable to the upcoming major Events. The ISU wants to ensure that we are giving the support to our athletes in Synchronized Skating that they deserve by having knowledgeable and well-trained Officials evaluating their performances. Judging and technical officiating opportunities are few and many ISU Officials may only participate at the World Championship in a season. We feel it is important to give the Referees, Judges and Technical Officials as much practical guidance as possible for their important duty at the most important ISU Events.

Participants:

The candidates for the seminar are those Judges appointed by their ISU Members that have been drawn to participate at the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2018 and ISU Synchronized Skating Junior World Championships 2018. Also, those Officials who have been appointed to act as Referees, Technical Controllers or Technical Specialists are invited to participate.

Applications:

The applications to participate must be submitted by the ISU Member concerned, on behalf of their Judges, to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the ISU Secretariat, Mr. Christopher Buchanan, Chair of the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, Ms. Krisztina Regöczy, ISU Sports Director and the Finnish Figure Skating Association by **October 16, 2017**.

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Seminar:

The Seminar will consist of two parts: a practical part with on-ice-demonstrations and practical instructions by ISU Moderators and a high standard synchronized skating team, a trial judging of a synchronized skating programs (Short Program and Free Skating) and classroom lectures, which will consist of updates regarding Synchronized Skating rules and the judging system criteria (from the Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2016 and all pertinent ISU Communications) as well as in depth discussion regarding the application of the technical and judging rule sets.

This is not an examination and is intended as an intensive preparation for all Officials to help in the preparation to undertake their duties at the forthcoming World Championships. Participation in the seminar counts as such according to ISU Regulation 807, paragraph 9. c), 813, paragraph 5. b) ii), 814, paragraph 4. b) ii) and 818, paragraph 9. c).

Moderators:

Program Components and GOE:	Mr. Christopher Buchanan Mr. Mika Saarelainen Ms. Petra Tyrbo
On Ice and Technical Information:	Ms. Cathy Dalton Mr. Christopher Buchanan

Travel Contribution:

In line with usual ISU practice, up to the following amounts will be reimbursed on production of travel receipts. The ISU will only reimburse the cost of Economy class travel.

Expenses:

The responsibility for the expenses of the Seminar will be allocated as follows:

- The living expenses (accommodation and meals) for the attending Officials from the evening of Thursday, November 9, 2017 to lunch on Sunday, November 12, 2017 will be borne by the ISU.
- Airport transfers will also be arranged provided the agreed prior notification of travel arrangements is received by the organisers. (Taxi costs from the airport to Vierumäki are approximately EUR 205 for one person, taxis can be shared to reduce that cost but arranging to share is the responsibility of the participant to request from the Finnish seminar organiser).
- The travel expenses of the participating Officials will be reimbursed by the ISU, subject to submission of an actual ticket receipt up to a limit of:

Australia	€ 900
N. America	€ 700
Europe	€ 300
Finland	€ 100

2. Technical Panel ‘Refresher’ seminar

Purpose:

The purpose of this ‘refresher’ seminar is to **update** the Technical Panel Officials with practical and theoretical instruction of the clarifications for the 2017-18 Synchronized Skating season (pertinent ISU Communications and Summary of calls).

The focus of this seminar will be on the introduction of new elements and clarification of the application of the Technical requirements by the Technical Panel.

Participants are part of and will attend the Technical Panel stream indicated on the timetable.

Participants / Applications:

Each ISU Member may enter their Technical Controllers or Technical Specialists with the qualification “International” and/or “ISU” (not those drawn for the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2018 and ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2018) **by October 16, 2017.**

This refresher seminar is NOT open for those Technical Controllers and Specialists who attended the Frankfurt seminar in July 2017.

The number of participants is limited to 10, however, a minimum of 5 participants is required.

Note: This seminar does not count as an official Re-Certification seminar

Moderators / Member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee:

Ms. Cathy Dalton

Mr. Christopher Buchanan

EXPENSES for the ISU “Refresher” Seminar:

- a) The travel and living expenses of the Moderators of the seminars, designated to serve by the SySTC, will be borne by the ISU.
- b) The travel and living expenses (accommodations and meals) for all participants who wish to attend this seminar are to be borne by their respective Federation or by the Officials themselves.
- c) All participants must pay a lump sum of **EUR 500 (or EUR 425 if sharing)**. This amount includes the payment of dinners on November 9, 10, 11, lunches on November 8, 9, 10 (beverages are not included) and all coffee breaks and accommodation. A limited number of Double rooms are available for delegates wishing to share, but these will be booked on a first come first served basis.
- d) This lump sum must be paid on site in Euros (cash) by all participants at registration.
- e) The administrative expenses of the Seminar (ice rink, use of classroom and technical equipment) will be borne by the ISU.

All participants are responsible for arranging their own travel. Please note it is not possible to attend the seminar and not stay on-site. (Taxi costs from the airport to Vierumäki are approximately EUR 205 for one person; taxis can be shared to reduce that cost) Transportation cost is included in the lump sum participation fee, if arranged in advance with the Finnish Federation organiser. If prior notice is not given then the cost of transportation is the responsibility of the participant.

Room costs (price per room) are as follows (includes full board):

Single Room EUR 500

Double Room EUR 425 – only available for two named participants sharing

*Please note that the price is guaranteed for bookings made **before October 16, 2017**.

Room booking requests are made using the registration form link and will immediately be passed to the Finnish Association administrator.

The applications must be sent to the ISU Secretariat by October 16, 2017 with a copy to Mr. Christopher Buchanan, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee:

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Tubbergen,

August 24, 2017

Lausanne,

Jan Dijkema, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General

Technical Panel / Judging Panel Officials and Technical ‘Refresher’ Seminar

Thursday, November 9:

18:00 – 19:30	Introduction & Dinner
19:30 – 20:00	ALL - Classroom 3
20:00 – 21:00	Judges - Classroom 3
	Technical Panel – Classroom 2

Friday, November 10:

7:00 – 8:30	Breakfast
8:30 – 9:00	ALL – SportsHall
9:30 – 10:30	ICE Rink 1
10:30 – 10:45	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room
10:45 – 11:30	ICE Rink 1
11:45 – 13:00	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel – Dressing Room
13:00 – 13:45	Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	ICE Rink 1
15:00 – 15:15	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room
15:15 – 16:00	ICE Rink 1
16:00 – 16:30	Ice Rink 1
16:30 – 19:00	Judges - Ilkka 25
	Technical Panel - Ilkka 23
19:00	Dinner

Saturday, November 11:

7:00 – 7:45	Breakfast - Wanha Sali
8:00 – 9:00	ALL - ICE Rink 1
9:00 – 9:15	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room
9:15 – 10:00	ALL - ICE Rink 1
10:00 – 10:15	
10:15 – 12:00	Judges Panel Ilkka 25
	Technical Panel Ilkka 23
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	ALL - ICE Rink 2
14:30 – 14:45	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room
14:45 – 15:45	ALL- ICE Rink 2
15:45 – 16:00	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room

16:00 – 16:30	Short Program and Free Program ICE Rink 2
16:30 – 17:00	Walk to Sports Hall + Break
17:30 – 18:30	ALL - Off Ice / Ball Hall
18:45 – 20:30	Judges Panel - Ilkka 25
	Technical Panel - Ilkka 23
20:45	Dinner

Sunday, November 12:

7:00 – 8.15	Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00	Judges - Ilkka 25
	Technical Panel - Ilkka 23
10:00 – 10:15	
10:15 – 10:30	ALL - Ilkka 17
11:00/11:30	Lunch

Departure: 12:00