

Communication No. 2378

Synchronized Skating

Elite 12 - Teams with 12 Skaters

Purpose

With the cancellation of the ISU World Synchronized Championships 2021 for both Senior and Junior Teams, as well many Synchronized Skating International Competitions, the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee is providing an opportunity for Teams to present their work during this season. Given the current global health and economic crisis and the restricted travel possibilities, the Teams are invited to present their Free Skating Programs for the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee (SySTC) with fewer Skaters to participate.

Both Senior and Junior level Teams will be comprised of only twelve (12) Skaters and referred to as "Elite 12".

The "Elite 12" concept could also provide a future competitive alternative for Members with fewer top-level Skaters by helping them form advanced Teams of the same age and skill level. The potential for making the discipline more exciting with increased speed of movement could also provide greater possibilities on technical elements. The "Elite 12" concept will enable the SySTC to assess future opportunities for this new category of Synchronized Skating such as expansion into other ISU and IOC programs.

Teams interested in this "Elite 12" concept (organized in April) will submit video of possible free programs only to the SySTC for discussion and further development.

Participants

The "Elite 12" concept is open to all ISU Members' Senior or Junior level Teams. Elite 12 Teams will be comprised of 12 athletes and must comply with Rule 108, para 4 /Age Limits for Synchronized Skating.

Programs

The Elite 12 Teams would construct and develop a four (4) minute (Senior) or three and one-half (3 1/2) minute (Junior) Free Skating program utilizing the current Well-Balanced Program requirements as a general guideline with the additional freedom to vary from the current Difficulty Groups of Elements.

How to Register for the “Elite 12” concept:

The e-mail may be sent from the ISU Member OR directly from the Teams’ Coach and must contain the name of the Team(s), name and e-mail of the Coach, category (SR/JR).

Please, contact Mr. Philippe Maitrot, Chair, Synchronized Skating Technical Committee **by March 1, 2021** at email: p.maitrot73@gmail.com

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