

# Bracknell Open Free Skating Competitions

Held under NISA regulations and permit.

# Thusday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2009

(Closing date Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009)

Standard: Under level 1 to level 10, Beginner Couples/Pairs to pre IJS pairs, Solo and group artistic.

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As a further stage in the roll out of IJS, the GENERIC CRITERIA now includes amendments to the program content wording for each level to show a maximum number of elements per program. However, there are minimal changes to the programme content at this stage. These competition program requirements will still fit with the National Test Structure requirements despite there being specification of elements in the test structure. As with the current test structure, all elements performed are as per ISU current regulations. This therefore allows skaters to perform RJS test and competition elements as per the established criteria (ISU regulations 2008) and indeed as per the IJS criteria and clarifications. (Communications 1445 and 1459)

These Generic Criteria must be read in conjunction with the ISU Regulations 2008, any subsequent ISU communications, and also the updated NISA IJS element clarifications (4/08) for RJS competitions and National tests available on the NISA website. (see Figure – Singles – rules & regulations)

Ladies and Men may not compete together in the same singles competitions. These competitions <u>must</u> be split into separate Ladies and Men's events. In levels 7 to 10 skaters may not compete in more than 1 level at National Open events or NISA Cup events. Tests passed <u>after</u> the closing date <u>DO NOT</u> allow entry to be transferred to another level under any circumstances.

Any class which is over subscribed will be split by age eg; class 3a - level 1 girls 10 and under, class 3b - level 1 girls 11 and over

Event Number & Competition Name	Event level	Minimum Test Requirement	Maximum Test Requirement	Program Length	Notes
Class 1 Beginner Ladies	Beginner	Skate UK Gold Star (Figure) or Level 1 Field Moves A photocopy of the Skate UK passport must be submitted with the application form (unless Novice Field Moves or	Must not hold any of the following: Level 1 Elements or Level 1 Free	1½ Minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps, consisting of: A maximum of 4 jump elements including • single jumps only, excluding axel, lutz and flip • NO combinations or sequences are permitted
Class 2 Beginner Men		Level 1 Dance Moves already held)			<ul> <li>A maximum of 2 spins,</li> <li>Basic position spins only are allowed with no change of foot and no change of position. (Min 3 revs)</li> </ul>
Class 3 Level 1 Ladies	Level 1	Level 1 Field Moves <b>and</b> either <ul> <li>Level 1 Elements or</li> <li>Level 1 Free</li> </ul>	Must not hold any of the following: Level 2 Elements or Level 2 Free	1½ Minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps, consisting of:</li> <li>A maximum of 4 jump elements including <ul> <li>single jumps only, excluding axel ,and lutz</li> <li>A maximum of 1 jump combination or sequence consisting of only 2 single jumps, excluding axel &amp; lutz.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Class 4 Level 1 Men					<ul> <li>A maximum of 2 spins         <ul> <li>Basic position spins only are allowed with no change of foot and no change of position. (Min 3 revs)</li> </ul> </li> <li>A Maximum of 1 step sequence (full ice not required)</li> </ul>



Class 5 Level 2 Ladies	Level 2	Level 2 Field Moves <b>and</b> either <ul> <li>Level 2 Elements or</li> <li>Level 2 Free</li> </ul>	Must not hold any of the following <ul> <li>Level 3 Elements or</li> <li>Level 3 Free</li> </ul>	1½ Minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps, consisting of:</li> <li>A maximum of 4 jump elements, consisting of</li> <li>single jumps only (no axels allowed) i</li> <li>A maximum of 2 jump combinations or sequences consisting of only 2 single jumps excluding axels.</li> </ul>
Class 6 Level 2 Men					<ul> <li>A maximum of 2 spins, including</li> <li>Max of 1 with only 1 change of position and no change of foot (Min 2 revs in each position)</li> <li>max of 1 basic position spin with no change of foot and no change of position (Min 3 revs)</li> </ul>
					A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface
		Level 3 Field Moves and either	Must not hold any of the following	1½ Minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of
Class 7 Level 3 Ladies	Level 3	<ul> <li>Level 3 Elements or</li> <li>Level 3 Free</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Level 4 Elements or</li> <li>Level 4 Free</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>A maximum of 4 jump elements, consisting of</li> <li>Single jumps only – axels allowed</li> <li>A maximum of 2 jump combinations or sequences consisting of only 2 single jumps or axels.</li> </ul>
Class 8 Level 3					<ul> <li>A maximum of 2 spins, including</li> <li>Max of 1 with only 1 change of position and no change of foot (Min 2 revs in each position)</li> <li>Max of 1 with only 1 change of foot and no change of position (Min 2 revs on each foot)</li> </ul>
Men					A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface NB The axel may not be attempted more than twice in the programme
Class 9 Level 4 Ladies		Level 4 Field Moves <b>and</b> either <ul> <li>Level 4 Elements or</li> <li>Level 4 Free</li> </ul>	Must not hold any of the following <ul> <li>Level 5 Elements or</li> <li>Level 5 Free</li> </ul>	2 Minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of         A maximum of 5 jump elements, consisting of         • 1 axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)         • A maximum of 2 jump combinations or sequences consisting of only 2 jumps
	Level 4				A maximum of 2 different spins (min 3 revs in basic position spins or min 6 revs in combination or change of foot spins)
Class 10 Level 4					A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface
Men					NB The axel and each different double jump may only be attempted twice in the programme.



Class 11 Level 5 Ladies	Level 5	Level 5 Field Moves <b>and</b> either <ul> <li>Level 5 Elements or</li> <li>Level 5 Free</li> </ul>	Must not hold <ul> <li>Level 6 Elements or</li> <li>Level 6 Free</li> </ul>	2 Minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of</li> <li>A maximum of 5 jump elements, consisting of <ul> <li>1 axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)</li> <li>A maximum of 2 jump combinations or sequences consisting of only 2 jumps</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Class 12 Level 5 Men					<ul> <li>A maximum of 2 spins with different ISU abbreviations ,1 of which must be a change of foot spin (min 3 revs in basic position spins and min 8 revs in change of position or change of foot spins)</li> <li>A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface</li> <li>N.B The Axel and each different double jump may only be attempted twice in the programme</li> </ul>
Class 13 Level 6 Ladies Class 14 Level 6 Men	Level 6	Level 6 Field Moves <b>and</b> either <ul> <li>Level 6 Elements or</li> <li>Level 6 Free</li> </ul>	Must not hold <ul> <li>Level 7 Elements or</li> <li>Level 7 Free or</li> <li>Any part of any Competitive Test</li> </ul>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of</li> <li>A maximum of 6 jump elements, consisting of <ul> <li>1 axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)</li> <li>A maximum of 2 jump combinations or sequences. If in combination, 1 may consist of 3 jumps, and the other 2 jumps</li> </ul> </li> <li>A maximum of 3 spins with different ISU abbreviations, one of which must be a flying spin (min 3 revs in basic position spins or flying spins or min 8 revs in combination or change of foot spins)</li> <li>A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface</li> <li>N.B The Axel and each different double jump may only be attempted twice in the programme</li> </ul>



Class 15 Level 7 Ladies	Level 7	Level 7 Field Moves <b>and</b> either <ul> <li>Level 7 Elements or</li> <li>Level 7 Free or</li> <li>Old NISA Pre-Novice Competitive Test</li> </ul>	Must not hold <ul> <li>Level 8 Elements or</li> <li>Level 8 Free or</li> <li>Any part of old NISA Novice Competitive Test or higher</li> </ul>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of</li> <li>A maximum of 6 jump elements, consisting of <ul> <li>1 Axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)</li> <li>A maximum of 3 jump combinations or sequences. If in combination, 1 may consist of 3 jumps and the others of only 2 jumps.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Class 16 Level 7 Men					A maximum of 3 spins with different ISU abbreviations. (min 3 revs in basic position spins or min 8 revs in combination or change of foot spins) A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface <b>N.B. The Axel and each different double jump may</b> only be attempted twice in the programme
Class 17 Level 8 Ladies Class 18 Level 8 Men	Level 8	Level 8 Field Moves and either <ul> <li>Level 8 Elements or</li> <li>Level 8 Free or</li> <li>1 part of the old NISA Novice Competitive Test</li> </ul>	Must not hold <ul> <li>Both parts of Level 9 Elements and Free</li> <li>or</li> <li>Both parts of old NISA Primary (ISU Novice) Competitive Test or higher</li> </ul>	Ladies 3 Minutes (+/- 10 seconds) Men 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of</li> <li>A maximum of 6 jump elements for ladies and 7 for men, consisting of <ul> <li>An axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)</li> <li>A maximum of 3 jump combinations or sequences. If in combination, 1 may consist of 3 jumps and the others of only 2 jumps.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A maximum of 3 spins with different ISU abbreviations, 1 of which must be a flying spin with no change of foot, no change of position and with min 6 revs, and 1 a combination spin with min 10 revs.</li> <li>A Maximum of 1 step sequence or spiral sequence utilizing the full ice surface. If the spiral sequence is skated it must comply with ISU regs 2008 and any subsequent ISU communications.</li> <li>N.B. Only 2 different jumps with 2 ½ revs or more can be repeated and if so should be in either a jump combination or jump sequence. No jump of 3 revs or more can be attempted more than twice in the programme. Double axel may be attempted a maximum of 3 times in the programme</li> </ul>



Class 19 Level 9 Ladies Class 20 Level 9	Level 9	Level 9 Field Moves <b>and</b> either : Level 9 Elements or Level 9 Free or 1 part of the old NISA Primary (ISU Novice) Competitive Test	<ul> <li>Must not hold</li> <li>Both parts of Level 10 Elements and Free or</li> <li>Both parts of the Junior Competitive Test or higher</li> </ul>	Ladies 3½ Minutes (+/- 10 seconds) Men 4 Minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with linking steps consisting of</li> <li>A maximum of 7 jump elements for ladies and 8 for men, consisting of <ul> <li>An axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)</li> <li>A maximum of 3 jump combinations or sequences. If in combination, 1 may consist of 3 jumps and the others of only 2 jumps.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A maximum of 3 spins with different ISU abbreviations, 1 of which must be a combination spin (min 10 revs), 1 a flying spin (min 6 revs) and 1 a spin with only 1 basic position (min 6 revs)</li> <li>A Maximum of 1 step sequence utilizing the full ice surface.</li> </ul>
Men					N.B. Only 2 different jumps with 3 revs or more can be repeated and if so should be in either a jump combination or jump sequence. No jump of 3 revs or more can be attempted more than twice in the programme. Double axel may be attempted a maximum of 3 times in the programme



					Skaters must perform a well balanced programme with
Class 21 Level 10 Ladies		<ul> <li>Level 10 Field Moves and either</li> <li>Level 10 Elements or</li> <li>Level 10 Free or</li> <li>One part of the Junior Competitive Test</li> </ul>	No maximum test requirement	Ladies: 4 Minutes (+/- 10 seconds) Men: 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>Inking steps consisting of</li> <li>A maximum of 7 jump elements for ladies and 8 for men, consisting of <ul> <li>An axel type jump element (either solo or in combination or sequence)</li> <li>A maximum of 3 jump combinations or sequences. If in combination, 1 may consist of 3 jumps and the others of only 2 jumps.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A maximum of 3 spins with different ISU abbreviations, 1 of which must be a combination spin (min 10 revs) 1 a flying spin (min 6 revs) and 1 a spin with only 1 basic position (min 6 revs)</li> </ul>
	Level 10				Ladies- A Maximum of 1 step sequence and 1 spiral sequence utilizing the full ice surface. The spiral sequence must comply with ISU regs 2008 and any subsequent ISU communications. Men – A Maximum of 2 different step sequences
Class 22 Level 10					N.B. Only 2 different jumps with 3 revs or more can be repeated and if so should be in either a jump combination or jump sequence. No jump of 3 revs or more can be attempted more than twice in the programme. Double axel may be attempted a maximum of 3 times in the programme
Men					Any class which is over subscribed will be split by age eg; class 3a - level 1 girls 10 and under, class 3b - level 1 girls 11 and over



#### **Open Competitions for Couples/Pairs**

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Class 23	Beginner Couples/Pairs	Each partner must have passed Level 1 Field Moves	Must not hold any old NISA Pair Test or any part of Level 4 Singles or Dance National tests (excluding Field Moves) Must not hold Level 2 or higher new National Pair test	Free Program of 2 minutes (+/- 5 seconds)	<ul> <li>The programme must contain ONLY the following elements:</li> <li>Mid-line step sequence utilising the full length of the ice surface.</li> <li>Second step sequence (any pattern). This may include spirals</li> <li>Pair spin/dance spin in any position and any hold (min. 2 revs). Change of foot or position optional</li> <li>Side by side solo spin (min. 3 revs)</li> <li>Moves demonstrating quality edges, simple turns and footwork should be included.</li> <li>At least 3 different dance/pair holds should be demonstrated throughout the programme.</li> <li>Recognised pair/dance lifts are not allowed.</li> <li>Vocal music is not permitted.</li> </ul>
Class 24	Novice Pairs (NISA Novice)	Each partner must hold: <ul> <li>Level 4 Field Moves</li> <li>Level 4 Elements and</li> <li>Level 4 Free</li> </ul> AND <u>EITHER</u> <ul> <li>Old NISA Novice Pairs Test</li> <li>OR</li> <li>New Level 3 National Pairs Test</li> </ul>	No Maximum Test Requirement	Free Program of 2½ minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>A well balanced programme which must contain:</li> <li>Minimum 2 lifts, maximum 3 (only one may be a twist lift – only single twist permitted. This complies with group 2). Lifts can only be selected from Groups 1 and 2. Platter lift not permitted</li> <li>Only 1 throw jump (single or double)</li> <li>Only 1 solo jump (single or double)</li> <li>Only 1 solo jump (single or double)</li> <li>Minimum 1 pair spin (min. 3 revs in total), max 2: (second pair spin, if executed, need not comply with rev. requirements)</li> <li>Only 1 solo spin (min. 3 revs in total)</li> <li>Minimum 1 death spiral or pivot figure, max 2 (only 1 may be a death spiral)</li> <li>Minimum 1 step or spiral sequence.</li> </ul>



Class 25	Pre IJS Pairs (Preparing for ISU Novice Free)	<ul> <li>Each partner must hold:</li> <li>Level 6 Field Moves</li> <li>Level 4 Elements and</li> <li>Level 4 Free</li> <li>AND <u>EITHER</u></li> <li>Old NISA Novice pairs Test OR</li> <li>New Level 4 National Pairs Test</li> </ul>	No Maximum Test Requirement	Free Program of 3 ½ minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	<ul> <li>The well balanced programme must contain only the following elements: <ul> <li>a) 2 different lifts (1 must be from Group 3 or 4)</li> <li>b) 1 twist lift (single or double</li> <li>c) 1 or 2 throw jumps (single or double)</li> <li>d) 1 solo jump (single or double)</li> <li>e) 1 jump combination or sequence. The jump combination may consist of only 2 jumps. The jump sequence may consist of any number of jumps.</li> <li>f) 1 solo spin or solo spin combination (min. 5 revs in total)</li> <li>g) 1 pair spin or pair spin combination (min. 5 revs in total)</li> <li>h) 1 pivot figure or death spiral without restrictions i) 1 step sequence.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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Class 26	Level 1 & under Artistic	Skate UK Gold Star (Figure) or Level 1 Field Moves A photocopy of the Skate UK passport must be submitted with the application form (unless Novice Field Moves or Level 1 Dance Moves already held)	Must not hold any of the following Level 2 Elements or Level 2 Free	Up to 2 Minutes 5 seconds	Vocal music may be used. There will be five judges each marking an individual section. Judge 1 Technical Merit Judge 2 Artistic Impression Judge 3 Musical Interpretation Judge 4 Choreography Judge 5 Costume/Props
Class 27	Level 2/3 Artistic	Level 2 Field Moves and either Level 2 Elements or Level 2 Free	Must not hold any of the following Level 4 Elements or Level 4 Free	Up to 2 Minutes 5 seconds	Props can be used but they must be moved and positioned or the ice by the skater(s) in one journey. No intervention by a 3 <sup>rd</sup> party (not on the ice) such as remote control or throwing on of props
Class 28	Level 4/5 Artistic	Level 4 Field Moves and either Level 4 Elements or Level 4 Free	Must not hold any of the following Level 6 Elements or Level 6 Free	Up to 2 mins 40 secs	Marks will be awarded for way in which the costume and prop are being used, rather than the actual costume/props themselves. No fireworks (or similar) are allowed Any infringement of the props rules would incur a deduction of
Class 29	Level 6 & over Artistic	Level 6 Field Moves and either • Level 6 Elements or Level 6 Free	No maximum standard	Up to 2 mins 40 secs	<b>0.5</b> Each judge will also give a second mark for Entertainment value. In the event of a tie, this mark will be used as the tiebreaker.
Class 30	Group artistic of two to four persons	Skate UK Gold Star (Figure) or Level 1 Field Moves	No Maximum standard	Up to 3 mins	Dependant on the number of entries Classes 26 - 29 may be combined or split by age and/or level Please note that a skater may only perform in one group artistic routine.