

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1460

ISU World Standings for Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dancing

(This Communication replaces ISU Communication No. 1421, item 3 – The criteria for the World Standing Bonus remains unchanged as per ISU Communication No. 1381, item 2.)

During its recent meeting in San Francisco the ISU Council reviewed the applicable criteria for the ISU World Standings for Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dancing and agreed upon the following provisions. The current World Standings updated accordingly may be found on the ISU website under Single & Pair Skating/Ice Dance:

1. OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 To present to the public at large and the media, an acceptable and accountable standings system of all skaters in figure skating in a particular season.
- 1.2 To guarantee objectivity and a process for selection of individual entries to the various ISU events. To provide an acceptable explanation for athletes not accepted for entry.
- 1.3 To provide athletes with a competitive explanation vis a vis their standings with fellow athletes.

2. PRINCIPLES OF APPLICATION

- 2.1 Based on results of the preceding two years. Each year is weighted with a different percentage (factor).
- 2.2 The following events will be considered:
 - (i) ISU Championships and Olympic Games;
 - (ii) ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating events (senior) including the Final;
 - (iii) ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events including the Final;
 - (iv) International Senior Calendar Competitions, provided there are minimum 8 single skaters, 6 dance teams out of four ISU Members present respectively 5 Pairs out of three ISU Members;
 - (v) Events, mentioned under paragraph 2.2 (iv), in which the Technical Panel (Technical Controller and the two (2) Technical Specialists) are from three (3) different ISU Members. (It is recommended that participating ISU Members, before entering their skaters, check with the organizing Members of International Competitions whether this requirement will be fulfilled);
 - (vi) Regional International Competition (e.g. Nordics, Asian Winter Games etc.) or competitions, which are open only for special groups of skaters (e.g. Universiade etc.) will not count for the World Standings. (The International Competitions falling into this category will be identified in the Event Calendar published on the ISU website www.isu.org).

- 2.3 The amount of points to score for each competitor/couple depends on
 - 2.3.1 the final placement
 - 2.3.2 the total amount of points designated for that particular event
- 2.4 Within the two years period the following events will be considered for the ranking order, years' factors as per 3.4 to be considered:
 - 2.4.1 **ISU Championships and Olympic Winter Games:** The best result by points per season; the best two results by points over a period not longer than 2 completed seasons plus the current season.
 - 2.4.2 **ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating and Final:** The two best results by points per season; the best four results by points over a period not longer than 2 completed seasons plus the current season.
 - 2.4.3 **ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating and Final:** The two best results by points per season; the best four results by points over a period not longer than 2 completed seasons plus the current season.
 - 2.4.4 **International Senior Calendar Competitions:** The two best results by points per season; the best four results by points over a period not longer than 2 completed seasons plus the current season.
 - 2.4.5 For **Pairs** either the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating or the Senior Grand Prix of Figure Skating will be considered for points. The decision will be based on the two best possible results.
 - 2.4.6 After the current season's World Figure Skating Championships, the longest standing results (i.e. those from 3 seasons previously) will be deleted.
- 2.5 Pairs and Dance teams with a new partner will start with 0 points. There is no transfer of points to either partner; the previous partnership will be removed from the World Standings.
- 2.6 Available points per event:
 - 2.6.1 ISU Championships, Olympic Games and all other International Senior Competitions with a set amount of total points
- 2.7 The World Standings order will be updated after each event mentioned in paragraph 2.2 (i) to (iii).
- 2.8 Only eligible persons will participate in the World Standings System.

3. PLACES CONSIDERED FOR POINTS / FACTORS PER YEAR

3.1	ISU Championships		
		Singles, Dance	Pairs
3.1.1	World Figure Skating Championships	places 1 - 24	1 - 20
3.1.2	Olympic Winter Games	places 1 - 24	1 - 20
3.1.3	European Figure Skating Championships	places 1 - 24	1 - 20
3.1.4	Four Continents Figure Skating Championships	places 1 - 24	1 - 20
3.1.5	Junior World Figure Skating Championships	places 1 - 24	1 - 20
3.2	ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating and Final		
3.2.1	Senior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events		places 1 - 8
3.2.2	Senior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final		places 1 - 6
3.2.3	Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events		places 1 - 10
3.2.4	Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final		places 1 - 8
3.3	International Senior Competitions		
3.3.1	International Senior Competition with the restriction as to 2.2.(v) and (iv)	places	1 - 5
3.4	Weight (Factor) per year		
*	Current and intermediate season's earned points will count		100 %
*	Previous season's earned points will count		70 %

4. POINTS AVAILABLE

4.1	World Figure Skating Championships	max. available points:	11.043
4.2	Olympic Winter Games	max. available points:	11.043
4.3	European Figure Skating Championships	max. available points:	7.729
4.4	Four Continents Figure Skating Championships	max. available points:	7.729
4.5	Junior World Figure Skating Championships	max. available points:	6.578
4.6	Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final	max. available points:	3.748
4.7	Grand Prix of Figure Skating events	max. available points:	2.278
4.8	Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final	max. available points:	3.417
4.9	Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events	max. available points:	1.630
4.10	International Senior competitions	max. available points:	1.024

5. DISTRIBUTION OF POINTS – 10% STEP

Place	WC/OWG	EC/FC	WJC	GPF	GP	JGPF	JGP	IC
1.	1200	840	715	800	400	600	250	250
2.	1080	756	644	720	360	540	225	225
3.	972	680	579	648	324	486	203	203
4.	875	612	521	583	292	437	182	182
5.	787	551	469	525	262	394	164	164
6.	709	496	422	472	236	354	148	
7.	638	446	380		213	319	133	
8.	574	402	342		191	287	120	
9.	517	362	308				108	
10.	465	325	277				97	
11.	418	293	249					
12.	377	264	224					
13.	339	237	202					
14.	305	214	182					
15.	275	192	164					
16.	247	173	147					
17.	222	156	132					
18.	200	140	119					
19.	180	126	107					
20.	162	113	97					
21.	146	102	87					
22.	131	92	78					
23.	118	83	70					
24.	106	74	63					
Event	11043	7729	6578	3748	2278	3417	1630	1024

WC = World Championships
 EC = European Championships
 FC = Four Continents Championships
 GPF = Grand Prix Final
 GP = Grand Prix
 JGP = Junior Grand Prix
 IC = International Senior Competitions

OWG = Olympic Winter Games
 WJC = World Junior Championships
 JGPF = Junior Grand Prix Final

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