

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

**ISU JUDGES EXAMINATION 2015
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1. ISU JUDGES EXAMINATION 2015

Participants:

In accordance with Rules 901, paragraph 7 and 903, paragraph 3 to be eligible for promotion to the qualification as "ISU Judge" for Synchronized Skating, the candidates must have passed the ISU Synchronized Skating Judges Examination. The Synchronized Skating Judges Examination will be held on the occasion of the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2015 in:

Hamilton, CAN – April 9-11, 2015

The candidate for the Examination must have met all the requirements as stated in Rule 903, paragraph 3.

Applications:

Due to the result of the vote during the 2014 ISU Congress, in accordance with Rule 900, paragraph 1 d), the applications to participate must have been submitted by the Member concerned, on behalf of their candidates, to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to Mr. Philippe Maitrot, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, by April 1st, 2014. **Nevertheless for this season only, the application must be sent no later than November 28, 2014 to:**

International Skating Union
Attn: Ms. Céline de Joffrey
E-mail: dejoffrey@isu.ch

Mr. Philippe Maitrot
E-Mail : mtphilou@free.fr

If less than two (2) persons apply for the Examination, the Examination will not be conducted, but postponed for one year.

Program:

The Examination will consist of (2) parts: a practical part, trial judging the competition events (Short Program and Free Skating) and a written and oral part, which will consist of questions regarding Synchronized Skating rules and the Judging System criteria (from the Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications).

The written and oral part will be held on Thursday, April 9, 2015 in the morning and will consist of short answers and essay questions. The Examination will be conducted in English by a panel of moderators designated by the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee.

The written and oral part examination will be closed book.

Official Hotel:

Sheraton Hamilton
116 King Street West
Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4V3
<http://www.sheratonhamilton.com/>

Moderators:

Mr. Christopher Buchanan, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee
Ms. Karen Wolanchuk, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee

Expenses:

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

- a) The travel, meals and hotel accommodation expenses of the panel of examiners will be borne by the ISU.
- b) The administrative expenses (room and supplies) will be borne by the ISU.
- c) The living expenses (hotel room and meals) for the attending candidates from the evening of Wednesday, April 8, 2015 (dinner not included) to breakfast on Sunday, April 12, 2015 will be borne by the ISU.
- d) **The travel expenses of the Judges who pass the Examination will be reimbursed by the ISU**, subject to submission of an actual ticket receipt up to a limit of 200 Swiss Francs (CHF 200) per person for Judges from North America, up to 800 Swiss Francs (CHF 800) per person for Judges from Europe and up to 1000 Swiss Francs (CHF 1000) per person for Judges from Asia/Oceania and Africa, based on economy airfare. For candidates who do not pass the Examination there will be no reimbursement of travel expenses.

A Member who's Judge does not display a working knowledge of English, in the opinion of the examiners, shall reimburse the ISU for the living expenses (hotel room and meals) of that Judge. No reimbursement of travel expenses will be given to such Member.

2. ISU TRIAL JUDGING 2015

Participants:

ISU Trial Judging, as per Rule 903 paragraph 1c), will be conducted by the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee in conjunction with the ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2015 to be held in:

Zagreb, CRO – March 12-14, 2015

Acting as a Trial Judge in this designated ISU Synchronized Skating competition will be considered as activity for present International Judges and Referees.

Per Rule 902 paragraph 2 and 4, Rule 903 paragraph 2 and 4, Trial Judging in this competition will also count as activity for re-appointment to International Judge or Referee, ISU Judge or Referee.

Those Members needing to provide activity either for their present International/ISU Judges or Referees or their National Judges, may apply.

Applications:

The applications must be sent to the ISU Secretariat with a copy to Mr. Philippe Maitrot, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, not later than **November 28, 2014 to:**

International Skating Union
Attn: Ms. Céline de Joffrey
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Mr. Philippe Maitrot
E-Mail : mtphilou@free.fr

If less than five (5) persons apply for the ISU Trial Judging, the ISU Trial Judging will not be conducted, but postponed for one year.

Program:

The Trial Judging will use the ISU Judging System and will consist of both Short Program and Free Skating Junior category, as well as element identification.

All Trial Judging participants must plan to arrive at the Official hotel on Thursday, March 12, 2015 by 15:00 hrs and should plan to leave Zagreb on Sunday, March 14, 2015.

Official Hotel:

Panorama Zagreb Hotel
Trg Krešimira Čosića 9
10 000 Zagreb, Croatia

Hotel costs (price per room including breakfast) are as follows:

Single room 85 EUR

Double room 100 EUR

Please note that the price is guaranteed for bookings made **before December 1st, 2014**.

The Official hotel can be booked only through the Organizing Committee.

Language:

The Seminar will be conducted in English.

Moderators:

Mr. Christopher Buchanan, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee

Ms. Karen Wolanchuk, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee

Expenses:

- a) All administrative expenses (travel, accommodations, and meals) for the Moderator(s) of the ISU Trial Judging, designated to serve by the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, will be borne by the ISU.
- b) The travel and living expenses (accommodations and meals) for all participants will be borne by their respective ISU Members.
- c) All ISU Members are responsible for arranging the travel and hotel accommodations for their own participants.
- d) All participants must pay a lump sum of 150 EUR. This amount includes the payment of dinners from March 12 to 14 and lunches on March 13 and 14, 2015 (beverages included) and all coffee breaks.

This lump sum must be paid on site by all participants at registration (even for those not staying in the official hotel).

3. ISU SPONSORED JUDGES' SEMINAR AND EXAM 2015

- a) There will be a Synchronized Skating Judges Seminar as part of the Seminar in Frankfurt, Germany, July 12-19, 2015 (for details please see the separate ISU Communication on the subject which will be published shortly).
- b) **This Seminar is reserved for National Judges to be appointed as International Judges.**
- c) This Seminar will be counted as a regular Judges Seminar followed by an Exam for the purpose of Rule 903, paragraphs 1.c) and 1 d).

4. ISU SPONSORED REFEREES' SEMINAR AND EXAM 2015

- a) There will be a Referee' Seminar as part of the Seminar in Frankfurt, Germany, July 12-19, 2015 (for details please see the separate ISU Communication on the subject which will be published shortly).
- b) **This Seminar is primarily for International Referees who wish to become ISU Referees and for Judges who wish to become International Referee**, for the purpose of Rule 902, paragraphs 1.d) ii), 2 c), 3 d) ii) and 4 c).
- c) This Seminar will be followed by an Exam for the purpose of Rule 902, paragraphs 1.e) and 3 e).

Milano,
October 17, 2014
Lausanne,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General