



AUSTRALIAN ICE RACING



AIR OFFICIALS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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Amendment Certificate

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Short Track Speed Skating Officials Accreditation Pathway

Domestic	AIR application to ISU		ISU
Level 5 Must be an ISU International official	➔	AIR submits application form to the ISU recommending International official to be considered as an ISU official	➔ ISU officials Can officiate at International competitions, World Cups, World Championships and Olympic Winter Games
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			International officials with "W" status can officiate at International competitions and World Cups
			↑
Level 4 5 years officiating at club level with a minimum of 6 National competitions; and attended an ISU officials seminar in the past 2 years	➔	AIR submits application form to the ISU recommending official to be considered as an ISU International official	➔ International official
↑			
Level 3 5 years officiating at club level with a minimum of 4 National competitions and attended an officials course in the past 2 years			
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Level 2 3 years officiating at club competitions and National competitions			
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Level 1 Club level			

Australian Ice Racing pathway

The following positions are considered as Officials:

- Referee
- Starter
- Competitor Steward

Level 1

- Must have completed an officials course and be officiating at club competitions.

Level 2

- Must have completed three years officiating at club competitions and National competitions (Duke Trophy/Australian Open Championships).

Level 3

- Must have completed five years officiating at club level with a minimum of four national competitions (Duke Trophy/Australian Open Championships); and
- Attended an official's course in the past two years.

Level 4

- Must have completed five years officiating at club level with a minimum of six National competitions (Duke Trophy/Australian Open Championships); and
- Attended an ISU Officials seminar in the past two years, which could be conducted by an ISU appointed official in Australia.
- Eligible to be nominated by AIR to the ISU Short Track Technical Committee for consideration as an ISU International official.

Level 5

- Must be an ISU International official.
- Responsible for updating AIR racing rules and implementing ISU racing rules in Australia.
- Facilitates officials course within Australia.
- For ISU international officials with "W" status, attend yearly ISU officials course (organised by ISU) at his/her own expense (with AIR subsidy).
- Eligible to be nominated by AIR to the ISU Short Track Technical Committee for consideration to be promoted from International Officials to ISU Officials.
- For officials with ISU status, attend yearly ISU officials course (organised by the ISU, meals and accommodation paid by the ISU, with ISU subsidy to AIR for airfare for each qualified participant).

For existing AIR officials, the AIR Officials Code of Conduct Agreement Form (Appendix 2) is required to be submitted to AIR on a yearly basis at the beginning of the domestic racing season. To apply for Level 1 or subsequent levels, please complete the AIR Officials Accreditation Application Form (Appendix 1) and submit to AIR, [General Secretary](#).

International Skating Union pathway

International Officials

Application for International Officials is submitted by National Sporting Organisations to the ISU for consideration. The application is then reviewed and a decision is made by the ISU Short Track Technical Committee.

ISU Rule 289 (1e) - requirements for ISU international officials:

- Served at two (2) National Championships in the position being nominated for;
- Attended at least one (1) Officials Course conducted by the Member within the past 36 months;
- Served as an Official in any capacity at an International Competition in the past 36 months.

International Officials with “W” status

Application for International Officials with “W” status is submitted by National Sporting Organisations to the ISU for consideration. The application is then reviewed and a decision is made by the ISU Short Track Technical Committee. These officials can officiate at International Competitions and World Cups, but not World Championships or the Winter Olympic Games.

ISU Rule 289 (5b and 5c):

- 5b** - The Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee may mark individuals on the list of ISU Officials with an “A” indicating that they may only officiate in an assisting capacity at ISU Events;
- 5c** - The Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee may mark individuals on the List of International Officials with a “W” indicating that they may officiate at World Cups also.

ISU Officials

Application for ISU Officials is submitted by National Sporting Organisations to the ISU for consideration. The application is then reviewed and a decision is made by the ISU Short Track Technical Committee. These officials can officiate at International Competitions, World Cups, World Championships and the Olympic Winter Games.

ISU Rule 289:

- 6a)** To be considered as ISU Referees, ISU Starters and ISU Competitors Stewards, those individuals on the International list shall have at least fulfilled the following requirements:
 - Served in his nominated category at least twice at International Competitions during the past 36 months;
 - Have satisfactory reports from Referees at these International Competitions;
 - Attended an ISU course for International Officials within the past 36 months;
 - For Referees: have passed the appropriate examination during the past 36 months;

- Must have been listed on the respective List of International Officials for at least 2 consecutive years with a "W" indication, immediately prior to a promotion to the list of ISU Officials;
- 6b)** To be reconsidered as an ISU Official the individual shall maintain the following qualifications:
- Attend the ISU course for Officials conducted by the Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee every 2 years during the period of 90 - 120 days following a Congress;
 - Submit a report to the Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee each time the individual serves as a Referee;
 - Conduct an International Course for International Officials during the past 24 months;
 - Successfully completed the appropriate examination within the past 24 months;
- 6c)** No person who has reached the age of 70 years shall after the following July 1st be eligible to be a Referee, Starter or Competitors Steward in ISU Events and Olympic Winter Games. The age limit will be enforced as of July 1st, 2012.

Officials Seminars

Domestic

It is anticipated that an Officials Seminar will be held in conjunction with the Australian Open Championships on a yearly basis for local officials. In the year of the ISU Congress, AIR will apply to ISU to host an ISU Regional Officials Seminar. The next ISU Regional Officials Seminar will be held from Oct 2 to 4, 2014 in conjunction with the 2014 Australian Open Championships.

International

ISU Officials Seminar is organised by ISU for all ISU officials with International officials "W" status by request only. In addition, ISU also organises ISU Referee courses and these courses are held overseas.

Appendix 1 – AIR Officials Accreditation Application Form

SECTION 1 – Personal details

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Mobile number: _____

Current Official level: _____

Application of official level: _____

SECTION 2 – Activity Log

Competition(C) /Seminar(S)	First date of activity	Last date of activity	Function (starter/referee/ competitor steward)	Name of the event	Result of exam at conclusion of seminar

SECTION 3 – Applicant declaration

I declare that the evidence I have provided is a true and accurate record of my officiating experiences:

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

Send completed application form to: AIR, [General Secretary](#)

Appendix 2 – AIR Officials Code of Conduct



Australian Ice Racing Officials Code of Conduct

General Code of Behaviour:

As a member of the Australian Ice Racing (AIR Inc.) or a person required to comply with this Policy, you must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by AIR Inc.:

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
 2. Be fair, considerate and honest in all dealing with others.
 3. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions.
 4. Make a commitment to providing quality service.
 5. Be aware of, and maintain an uncompromising adherence to, the AIR's standards, rules, regulations and policies.
 6. Operate within the rules of the sport including national and international guidelines which govern the AIR Inc.
 7. Do not use your involvement with the AIR Inc. to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where these are inconsistent with those of the AIR Inc.
 8. Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with persons under 18 years of age, as your words and actions are an example.
 9. Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with persons under 18 years of age, wherever possible.
 10. Refrain from any form of harassment of others.
 11. Refrain from any behaviour that may bring the AIR Inc. into disrepute.
 12. Provide a safe environment for the conduct of the activity.
 13. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
 14. Be a positive role model.
 15. Understand the repercussions if you breach, or are aware of any breaches of this Code of Conduct. (refer to AIR Constitution, Members Protection Policy and Disciplinary Code)
- Please refer to the AIR Members Protection policy for more information on members protection issues.

PLEASE SIGN THE AGREEMENT FORM TO INDICATE THAT YOU AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE AIR Inc. OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT



AIR Inc. Officials Code of Conduct Agreement Form

I, _____ of _____
Full Name Address

Address cont.

ICE RACING

Level

Sport

Discipline (if applicable)

Agree to the following terms:

1. I agree to abide by the Official's Code of Conduct.
2. I acknowledge that Australian Ice Racing (AIR Inc.), responsible for accreditation of officials in the sport listed above may take disciplinary action against me if I breach the Code of Conduct. (I understand that AIR is required to implement a complaints handling procedure in accordance with the principles of natural justice, in the event of an allegation against me)

Signature

(if under 18, parent / guardian signature)

Date : ____/____/____

Send completed agreement form to: AIR, [General Secretary](#)