

Ice Dance Performance Pathway

Squad Information for the Season 2025-2026

Effective from 1st July 2025

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Purpose

This document outlines the BIS Performance Pathway for Ice Dance Couples.

Relevant Squad details, including the criteria for each Squad, and information on the application process for the relevant Squads are outlined in this document.

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BIS PERFORMANCE PATHWAY



ICE DANCE

NOVICE

ADV. NOVICE
INT. NOVICE
BASIC NOVICE

JUNIOR

FUTURE GENERATION JUNIOR & ADV. NOVICE







DEVELOPMENT

ACADEMY

PERFORMANCE



BIS Squad Requirements for Season 2025-2026

BRITISH ICE SKATING		PERFORMANCE		ACADEMY		DEVELOPMENT
		Podium	Podium Potential	Next Generation	Future Generation	Junior, Intermediate Novice, Advanced Novice & Basic Novice
Category	AGE	CTES	CTES	CTES	CTES/PCS Skating Skill(SS)	Skill Test Requirement
Senior	Must be 17	98	85			See note on page 8
Junior	Under 21 (7-year max age gap)			71	55 CTES 4 and above PCS SS	Level 7 Skills
Advanced Novice	Girls: under 16 Boys: under 18				55 3 and above PCS SS	Level 5 Skills
Intermediate Novice	Under 16					Level 4 Skills
Basic Novice	Under 14					Level 3 Skills

	Podium	Podium Potential	Next Generation	Future Generation	Junior, Intermediate Novice, Advanced Novice & Basic Novice
International Event Allocations	As per Individual Development plan (IDP).	As per Individual Development plan (IDP).	3 x ISU listed Internationals each half of season	2 x ISU listed Internationals each half of season PLUS possible JGP or additional International	Novice – 1 x ISU listed International each half of season*
international Event Allocations					Junior – 2 x ISU listed Internationals each half of season*
Competition Requirements for scores achieved (more detail on specific event criteria on page 5)	Any ISU listed International in current or previous season	Any ISU listed International in current or previous season	Any ISU listed International in current or previous season	Any ISU listed International/Club International or British Championship in current or previous season	Any ISU listed International or Club International, British Championship, Qualifier or Open event (BIS permitted) meeting the panel requirements.

^{*}Eligible skaters will be contacted directly by the BIS Performance Team. The allocations are based on the BIS Rankings and are subject to Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) approval.

Allocations in addition to the limits listed above can be requested, however, these are not guaranteed and are subject to TAC approval

Competition Criteria & Test and Score Requirements

Competitions where the Squad criteria have been achieved must meet the criteria below:

Applications from National Events

- All BIS-permitted and approved Open competitions, Qualifiers and Championships using the current Generic Criteria. Some restrictions on rink sizes below 56m x 26m will apply.
- A minimum panel of 5 Judges (one of whom may be the Referee) and 3 members of the Technical Panel and where the majority of both the Technical and Judging panels are of the relevant level from the BIS Officials List or from the ISU/ International Officials list for the season.

Applications from International Competitions*

- Using the ISU criteria for the season. Some restrictions on rink sizes below 56m x 26m will apply.
- Where the majority of both the Technical Panel and Judging Panel are drawn from the ISU/ International Officials list for the season and;
- A minimum panel of 5 Judges (one of whom may be the Referee) and 3 members of the Technical Panel.

Test and Score Requirements

All skaters must also have the appropriate level of Field Moves or Skills and both TES and PCS scores (where appropriate) for acceptance onto the squad.



Squad Specific Information Podium, Podium Potential and Next Generation Squads

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Any skater/couple who ages out from one category and does not have the squad scores at the higher level will remain on the squad until the following 31st December, to allow the opportunity to obtain the scores within this time.

For example, a couple on the Academy Next Generation Squad (Junior) who have previously skated Junior, have aged out on 1st July 2024 and hence ineligible to skate in Junior the following season, or to apply for the Next Generation squad for the following season. This couple will remain on the squad and, pending fulfilling the entry test requirements, will skate in Senior events until 31st December 2024 with the objective of obtaining scores for the Podium Potential squad. If they achieve these, the couple will remain on the squad. Any couple who does not progress and obtain the higher scores will no longer be classed as part of the relevant Squad. However, should they obtain the score later during the season, they can apply again for acceptance onto the Podium Potential squad as per the requirements.



Squad Specific Information Future Generation and Development Squads (1 of 2)

Future Generation Squad

Skaters/Couples on this squad require additional minimum program component scores in skating skills. These must be evidenced on a pdf from an ISU listed competition, Club International, or British Championships event meeting the requirements outlined above. The required Skating Skill scores need to have been achieved on the same pdf as the scores submitted for the CTES.

Applications for Development Squad and Future Generation Squad must be submitted via Smartsheet Form*:

Click here to submit your form

*As part of this Form, skaters must submit the link to the official Results Page of the competition. Links to the 'Rink Results' website, competition Organizing Committee websites, or similar, will not be accepted and will result in the application being rejected.

Development and Future Generation Squads

- Application to the Squad is based on age as of 1st July 2025. Squad applications will be open until 16th May 2026.
- Development Squad and Future Generation Squad status will expire at the end of each season, which this season will be on 30th June 2026. Couples whose scores remain valid (from the current or previous season) must re-apply when the applications open on 1st July for the following season. If scores have expired, a couple is no longer classed as part of the Development Squad or Future Generation Squad.
- The criteria/requirements for entry are based on age and Skills test level in relation to the level at which a couple is competing for the Development Squad, and age, score and skating skill PCS for the Future Generation Squad.
- Scores may only be achieved at the correct level; for example, scores for the Advanced Novice Squad can only be obtained in an Advanced Novice event.
- Any couple who ages out from one category and does not have the squad scores at the higher level will be removed from the squad lists on 1st July. However, should they obtain the scores later during the season, they can apply again for acceptance onto the squad as per the requirements.
- At the stage where the ISU age limits overlap, skaters can choose to compete at the higher level based on their individual development plan.
- Couples must apply within 8 weeks of achieving the required scores.



International Allocations Senior Development

Senior Development

The Performance Pathway does not include a Senior Development Squad, however, to support skaters progressing onto the Performance Squad (Podium Potential/Podium), a CTES of 71 needs to be met to access ISU international competitions (1 x ISU listed international each half of the season). Senior couples are also invited to attend the Academy of Dance.

Senior scores are to be submitted via email to development@iceskating.org.uk





Please email <u>performance@iceskating.org.uk</u> or <u>development@iceskating.org.uk</u> with any questions.