



Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut *Return to Competition*

Date: October 20, 2020

Re: 2020-2021 Skate Canada Challenge and Junior National Championship Team Selection Update

Further to the September 24, 2020 Events Update, the following process will be utilized in the selection of the 2021 Challenge Section Team, and the 2021 Junior National Championship Section Team.

2021 Challenge (Junior and Senior, all categories)

- To be eligible to compete at the Skate Canada Challenge, all skaters must be registered to compete at the 2021 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nun Sectional Championships
- Any category that is less than the full quota (3 per category) will be required to compete or do an exhibition at Sectionals. If they are not deemed ready, the Section will reserve the right to not allow them to compete at Challenge.
- The skaters named for Challenge will be based on the results of Sectionals **

2021 Junior National Championships (Pre-Novice and Novice, all categories)

- To be eligible to compete at the Skate Canada Junior National Championship in March 2021, all skaters must be registered to compete at the 2021 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nun Sectional Championships
- The top 18 Skaters from the Sectional Championships will advance to the final qualifying event for Junior National Championship at the 2021 Calgary Winter Invitational (CWI) or if deemed necessary a stand-alone event.
- The skaters named by the Section for the 2021 Junior National Championship will be based on the results of the final at CWI. **
- Any category that is less than the full quota (4 per category) will be required to compete or do an exhibition at CWI or the stand-alone event to determine their readiness to compete at the Skate Canada Junior National Championship. If they are not deemed ready, the Section will reserve the right to not allow them to compete at the Junior National Championship.

**Due to Covid 19 the Section has formed an Athlete Review Task Group consisting of three individuals: an ISU International Judge or Technical Official, a former International Competitor and the Section Technical Director

The function of the Athlete Review Task Group will be as follows:

- The Section Athlete Review Task Group will be responsible to name the teams competing at the 2021 Skate Canada Challenge and the 2021 Skate Canada Junior National Championship.
- In the event that eligible categories for the 2021 Challenge and the 2021 Junior National Championship have less than the full quota (as allocated by Skate Canada), the Section Athlete Review Task Group will conduct a review of all performances to determine a skater's readiness to compete at the 2021 Challenge and the 2021 Junior National Championship.
- If a Junior or Senior athlete has withdrawn from the 2021 Sectional Championship for Covid-19 reasons, the Task Group will monitor the athlete(s) and determine if they will occupy one of the three Section berths to Challenge.

- If a Pre-Novice or Novice, athlete(s) has withdrawn from the 2021 Sectional Championship for Covid-19 reasons, the Task Group will monitor the athlete(s) and has the authority to issue a bye to CWI.
- If a Pre-Novice or Novice athlete(s) has withdrawn from CWI for Covid-19 reasons, the Task Group will monitor the athlete(s) and determine if they will occupy one of the four Section berths to the 2021 Junior National Championship.

2021 Athlete Review Task Group Members

International Official – Lynne Dey

Former International Competitor – Rod Garossino

Section Technical Director – Holly Henderson