

SECTION B – QUALIFYING AND CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

GENERAL FOR ALL QUALIFYING AND CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

100 – MARKING SYSTEM

All Skate Canada qualifying and championship events shall be conducted using the Cumulative Points Calculation judging system. See Section A – General for a full description.

110 – PANEL OF OFFICIALS SHALL REMAIN THE SAME FOR ALL SEGMENTS

At all Skate Canada qualifying and championship events, the panel of officials (referee, technical controller, technical specialist, assistant technical specialist, judges) shall remain the same for all segments of an event.

Although the use of a full technical panel is recommended, the technical panel for pattern dance event segments can be run with only a technical controller assigned. A full technical panel must be assigned for the free dance segment.

120 – GUEST TECHNICAL OFFICIALS:

- 1. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS FROM OTHER ISU MEMBERS ON THE ISU LIST:** Technical controllers and technical specialists on the most current ISU list who are members in good standing with other ISU members may officiate at Skate Canada invitational, qualifying and championship events without further qualification.
- 2. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS FROM THE UNITED STATES:** Technical controllers and technical specialists on the most current United States Figure Skating Association list who are members in good standing of that association may officiate at Skate Canada invitational, qualifying and championship events to the level equivalent with their qualifications upon confirmation from the USFSA. If the official goes on to become a Skate Canada member he or she may be granted the equivalent Skate Canada qualification(s).
- 3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS FROM OTHER ISU MEMBERS:** Technical controllers and technical specialists who are members in good standing of other ISU member federations may officiate at Skate Canada invitational/interclub competitions upon confirmation of qualifications by the ISU member federation of which the official is a member. Foreign technical controllers and technical specialists must become members of Skate Canada and pass the respective level of practical examination before officiating at Skate Canada qualifying and championship events. This practical examination may be conducted at any invitational/interclub competition conducted using the CPC judging system.

SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

200 – COMPOSITION OF THE PANEL OF OFFICIALS

1. **SELECTION OF OFFICIALS:** All technical controllers, technical specialists, judges, referees and data specialists must be selected from the official association list of technical controllers, technical specialists, judges, referees and data specialists subject to the following:
 - a) **COMPOSITION OF THE PANEL OF OFFICIALS:** For all events the panel shall consist of qualified championship officials of the appropriate level.
 - b) **QUALIFICATIONS OF JUDGES ON PANELS:** If possible in novice, junior and senior events at least one member of the judges' panel should be a Challenge or Canadian Championship judge.
 - c) **QUALIFICATIONS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS ON PANELS:** Technical controllers and technical specialists shall be qualified at a minimum at sectional level. If possible in novice, junior and senior events at least one technical official on the panel should be qualified at Challenge level or higher.
 - d) **QUALIFICATIONS OF REFEREES:** Referees shall be qualified at a minimum at sectional level. If qualified sectional championship referees are not available, an experienced senior sectional championship judge who is qualified as an interclub referee may be used.
 - e) **QUALIFICATIONS OF DATA SPECIALISTS:** The chief data specialist shall be qualified at a minimum as a Level 2 data specialist and the data specialists shall be Level 1 or higher.
 - f) **QUALIFICATIONS OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE:** To be eligible for appointment the technical representative shall be a sectional championship referee or higher in any category, or an individual who, as a chair or member of the organizing committee for a Skate Canada Challenge or Canadian Championship or an international competition or championship, has demonstrated skills in competition organization and management.

210 – DETERMINING ASSIGNMENTS

1. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE:** A technical representative or chief referee will be recommended by the Section Officials Committee or equivalent at least six months prior to the holding of the event for approval by the Section Executive Committee.
2. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENTS OF JUDGES:** The technical representative or chief referee together with the section evaluators'/judges' chair or equivalent and the section officials development representative or equivalent will select the judges' panels and create the working assignments for the judges at a sectional competition. (Rule 7402 (2))
3. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENTS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS:** The technical representative or chief referee together with the section evaluators'/judges' chair or equivalent and/or the section technical officials' chair (if such a position exists within the section) will select the



technical officials' panels and create the working assignments for the technical controllers and technical specialists at a sectional competition.

4. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF DATA SPECIALISTS:** The chief data specialist and data specialists shall be assigned by the Section Data Specialists Committee. (Rule 7402 (3))

220 – SIZE OF OFFICIALS' PANELS AT SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

For all events which qualify skaters for entry into Canadian or Skate Canada Challenge events, there shall be a technical controller, a technical specialist, an assistant technical specialist, a referee and at least five judges on each panel, except for pattern dance panels where detail listed in section 110, paragraph 2 of this regulation would apply. In an emergency, the technical panel may be composed of only a technical controller and a technical specialist and/or there may be less than five but no less than three judges. If such a case arises, a report must be filed with the Domestic Officials Committee which gives a full explanation of the circumstances. If such circumstance is foreseen, advance application can be made.

230 – GUEST OFFICIALS

1. Subject to the approval of the chair of the Section Evaluators/Judges Committee a guest judge may be appointed for one or more events. Such guest judge is subject to the restrictions as set forth in Rule 7504 (4). (Rule 7402 (5))
2. A technical official registered in a section other than the one conducting a sectional championship may be invited to a championship provided that approval has been granted by the section judge/evaluator or technical officials chair (as appropriate) from the home section of the official concerned.
3. A guest technical official from another ISU member may be permitted to officiate at a sectional championship provided the criteria of Section B – 120 are met.

240 – OFFICIAL IS UNABLE TO COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES

1. If after the start of an event a judge becomes unable to complete their duties, that judge's marks shall be counted up until the time at which they are no longer able to officiate. There shall be no replacement of that judge for the remaining segments of the event.
2. If, in an emergency, the panel is reduced to two judges, the referee shall also judge. If the referee is already judging, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement judge from those judges present and qualified to officiate. If no such replacement exists, the competition shall be suspended.
3. If during the course of an event, the referee or technical controller becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall replace the official with a qualified replacement.



- a) If no qualified replacement technical controller is present and available, a sectional or higher level technical specialist may be appointed as the replacement. If no such person is present and available, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical controller and the technical panel shall be composed of two people.
 - b) If no qualified replacement referee is present and available, a sectional or higher level judge who is also qualified as an interclub referee may be appointed as a replacement. If no replacement referee can be found, the event shall be suspended.
 - c) If a replacement referee or technical controller is available, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
4. If during the course of an event, the technical specialist or assistant technical specialist become unable to officiate, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement from all sectional level or higher technical specialists present and qualified to officiate. If no such person is present and available, a sectional or higher level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, the technical panel shall be composed of two people and if necessary the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical specialist. If a replacement technical specialist is available, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
 5. If, due to extraordinary circumstances the technical panel is reduced to only one official, the event shall be suspended.

SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE

300 – OFFICIALS

1. **SELECTION OF OFFICIALS:** Referees and judges are to be selected from the Skate Canada Challenge/Canadian Figure Skating Championships judges list. Technical controllers and technical specialists are selected from the Skate Canada Challenge and Canadian Figure Skating Championships list. Data specialists are to be selected from the Level 2 and Level 3 lists of data specialists.
 - a) **COMPOSITION OF THE PANELS OF JUDGES:** For all events the panel shall consist of qualified championship officials of the appropriate level.
 - b) **QUALIFICATIONS OF JUDGES ON PANELS:** Senior championship judges may be used if necessary to complete a panel, but must not form the majority of the panel.
 - c) **QUALIFICATIONS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS ON PANELS:** Technical controllers and technical specialists shall be qualified at Skate Canada Challenge level. If possible at least one technical official on the panel should be qualified at the national level or higher. However, for educational purposes, one of the three technical officials may be at the sectional level.
 - d) **QUALIFICATIONS OF REFEREES:** If qualified Skate Canada Challenge or Canadian Championship referees are not available, an experienced Skate Canada Challenge Championship judge who is also qualified as a sectional championship referee may be used. However, for educational purposes, a referee may be used who is qualified at the sectional level.
 - e) **QUALIFICATIONS OF TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVES:** For Skate Canada Challenge competitions the technical representative shall be a Canadian Championship referee in any category, or an individual who, as a chair or member of the organizing committee for a Skate Canada Challenge or Canadian Championship or an international competition or championship, has demonstrated skills in competition organization and management.
2. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICIALS:** The technical representative, referees, judges and all data specialists shall be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Association. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, delegate the authority to approve referee, judge and data specialist assignments to the Domestic Officials Committee. All technical controllers and technical specialists shall be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee and approved by the Executive Committee.
 - a) **TIMING OF APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS:** Where possible, the recommendations for referees, judges, technical controllers, technical specialists and data specialists must be made a minimum of three months prior to the event.
 - b) **APPOINTMENT OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CHIEF DATA SPECIALIST:** In the case of the technical representative and the chief data specialist, these appointments must be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee for approval by the Board of Directors at least six months prior to the holding of the event.

310 – SIZE OF OFFICIALS' PANELS AT CHALLENGE

For all events there shall be a technical controller, a technical specialist, an assistant technical specialist, a referee and between five and eight judges on each panel, except for pattern dance panels where detail listed in section 110, paragraph 2 of this regulation would apply. The normal quota of judges on a Challenge officials' panel is seven.

320 – GUEST TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

A guest technical official from another ISU member may be permitted to officiate at a Skate Canada Challenge competition provided the criteria of Section B – 120 are met.

330 – OFFICIAL IS UNABLE TO COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES

1. If after the start of an event a judge becomes unable to complete their duties, that judge's marks shall be counted up until the time at which they are no longer able to officiate. There shall be no replacement of that judge for the remaining segments of the event.
2. If, in an emergency, the panel is reduced to four judges, the referee shall also judge. If the referee is already judging, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement judge from those judges present and qualified to officiate. If no such replacement exists, the competition may be suspended at the discretion of the technical representative in consultation with the Skate Canada representative.
3. If during the course of an event, the referee or technical controller becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall replace the official with a qualified replacement.
 - a) If no qualified replacement technical controller is present and available, a Skate Canada Challenge or higher level technical specialist may be appointed as the replacement. If no such person is present and available, a sectional level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical controller and if possible, a sectional level technical specialist shall be appointed assistant technical specialist. If this is not possible, the technical panel shall be composed of two people.
 - b) If no qualified replacement referee is present and available, a Skate Canada Challenge or higher level judge who is also qualified as a sectional referee may be appointed as a replacement.
 - c) If a replacement referee or technical controller is found, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
4. If during the course of an event, the technical specialist or assistant technical specialist becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement from all Skate Canada Challenge level or higher technical specialists present and qualified to officiate. If no such person is present and available, a Skate Canada Challenge or higher level



technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, a sectional level technical specialist or technical controller may be appointed. If no such person is available, the technical panel shall be composed of two people. If necessary, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical specialist. If a replacement technical specialist is found, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.

5. If in an emergency, the technical panel is reduced to only one official, the event shall be suspended.

340 – REPRESENTATION OF SECTIONS ON PANELS

For Skate Canada Challenge events, if possible the appointed technical controller, technical specialist and assistant technical specialist for a particular category should be from different Skate Canada sections. The technical specialist and assistant technical specialist shall not be from the same Skate Canada section. If possible, the referee and technical controller should not be from the same Skate Canada section.

In case of emergency, the technical specialist and assistant technical specialist may be from the same Skate Canada section; however this must be approved by the Domestic Officials Committee chair in advance, or explained in writing if the situation becomes necessary during the conduct of an event. In no case may all three technical officials be from the same Skate Canada section.

CANADIAN FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

400 – COMPOSITION OF OFFICIALS' PANELS AT CANADIAN FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. USE OF REFEREE AS A JUDGE: A referee of an event may not be used as a judge in the same event except in case of an emergency; but such officials may be used as judges in other events in which they have not been appointed to act as referee.

2. QUALIFICATION OF JUDGES ON PANELS:

For all events the panel shall consist of qualified championship judges of the appropriate level. In case of difficulty in obtaining judges or for training purposes, the Domestic Officials Committee may appoint a Skate Canada Challenge judge of the appropriate discipline to act as a member of a panel for a Novice or Junior event.

3. QUALIFICATIONS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS ON PANELS:

a) For all events at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships, the technical controller and technical specialists shall be at least national level. If possible, at least one technical official on a senior panel should be international or ISU level. However, for educational purposes, one of the three technical officials on Novice and Junior panels may be Skate Canada Challenge level.

4. For senior panels, one Skate Canada Challenge level judge and/or Skate Canada Challenge level technical specialist or technical controller may also be on the panel for educational purposes; however their marks shall not be counted in the scoring. A Skate Canada Challenge level technical official serving in this educational capacity may not be seated with the technical panel but may be connected via the electronic communication link for the purpose of listening only. They may not communicate with the technical panel in any manner during an event and may not discuss the results of that event until the conclusion of the competition.

5. DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICIALS: The technical representative, referees, judges and all data specialists shall be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Association. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, delegate the authority to approve referee, judge and data specialist assignments to the Domestic Officials Committee. All technical controllers and technical specialists shall be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee and approved by the Executive Committee.

a) **TIMING OF APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS:** Where possible, the recommendations for referees, judges, technical controllers, technical specialists and data specialists must be made a minimum of three months prior to the event.

b) **APPOINTMENT OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CHIEF DATA SPECIALIST:** In the case of the technical representative and the chief data specialist, these appointments must



be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee for approval by the Board of Directors at least six months prior to the holding of the event.

410 – SIZE OF OFFICIALS’ PANEL AT CANADIAN FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS/ JUNIOR NATIONALS

For all events there shall be a technical controller, a technical specialist, an assistant technical specialist, a referee and between six and twelve judges on each panel except for pattern dance panels where detail listed in section 110, paragraph 2 of this regulation would apply. The normal quota of judges on a Canadian Figure Skating Championships officials’ panel is eight.

420 – GUEST TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

A guest technical official from another ISU member may be permitted to officiate at a Canadian Figure Skating Championships provided the criteria of Section B – 120 are met.

430 – OFFICIAL IS UNABLE TO COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES

1. If after the start of an event a judge becomes unable to complete their duties, that judge’s marks shall be counted up until the time at which they are no longer able to officiate. There shall be no replacement of that judge for the remaining segments of the event.
2. If, in an emergency, the panel is reduced to five judges, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement judge from those judges present and qualified to officiate. If no such replacement exists, the referee shall also judge. If the referee is already judging, the competition may be suspended at the discretion of the technical representative in consultation with the Skate Canada representative.
3. If during the course of an event, the referee or technical controller becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall replace the official with a qualified replacement.
 - a) If no qualified replacement technical controller is present and available, a national or higher level technical specialist may be appointed as the replacement. If no such person is present and available, a Skate Canada Challenge level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical controller and if possible, a Skate Canada Challenge level technical specialist shall be appointed assistant technical specialist. If this is not possible, the technical panel shall be composed of two people.
 - b) If no qualified replacement referee is present and available, a national or higher level judge who is also qualified as a Skate Canada Challenge referee may be appointed as a replacement.
 - c) If a replacement referee or technical controller is found, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.



4. If during the course of an event, the technical specialist or assistant technical specialist becomes unable to officiate; the technical representative shall appoint a replacement from all national level or higher technical specialists present and qualified to officiate. If no such person is present and available, a national or higher level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, a Skate Canada Challenge level technical specialist or technical controller may be appointed. If no such person is available, the technical panel shall be composed of two people. If necessary, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical specialist. If a replacement technical specialist is found, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
5. If in an emergency, the technical panel is reduced to only one official, the competition may be suspended at the discretion of the technical representative in consultation with the Skate Canada representative.

440 – REPRESENTATION OF SECTIONS ON PANELS

For the Canadian Figure Skating Championships, if possible the appointed technical controller, technical specialist and assistant technical specialist for a particular category should be from different Skate Canada sections. The technical specialist and assistant technical specialist shall not be from the same Skate Canada section. If possible, the referee and technical controller should not be from the same Skate Canada section.

In case of emergency, the technical specialist and assistant technical specialist may be from the same Skate Canada section, however this must be approved by the Domestic Officials Committee chair in advance, or explained in writing if the situation becomes necessary during the conduct of an event. In no case may all three technical officials be from the same Skate Canada section.

REGIONAL SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

500 – COMPOSITION OF OFFICIALS' PANELS AT REGIONALS

1. **SELECTION OF OFFICIALS:** All technical controllers, technical specialists, judges, referees and data specialists must be selected from the official association list of technical controllers, technical specialists, judges, referees and data specialists subject to the following:
 - a) **COMPOSITION OF THE PANEL OF OFFICIALS:** For all events the panel shall consist of qualified championship officials of the appropriate level.
 - b) **QUALIFICATIONS OF JUDGES ON PANELS:** If possible in novice and higher events a simple majority of the panel should be senior level judges. For senior events, the panel should have a simple majority of national level judges.
 - c) **QUALIFICATIONS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS ON PANELS:** Technical controllers and technical specialists shall be qualified at a minimum at sectional level. If possible in novice, intermediate, open, junior and senior events at least one technical official on the panel must be qualified at the national level.
 - d) **QUALIFICATIONS OF REFEREES:** Referees shall be qualified at a minimum at sectional level. If qualified sectional level referees are not available, an experienced senior judge may be used.
 - e) **QUALIFICATIONS OF DATA SPECIALISTS:** The chief data specialist shall be qualified at a minimum as a Level 2 data specialist and the data specialists shall be Level 1 or higher.
 - f) **QUALIFICATIONS OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE:** To be eligible for appointment the technical representative shall be a national level judge or higher in synchronized skating, or an individual who, as a chair or member of the organizing committee for a Skate Canada regional or national championship or an international competition or championship, has demonstrated skills in competition organization and management.

510 – DETERMINING ASSIGNMENTS

1. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE:** A technical representative or chief referee will be recommended by the hosting section Officials Committee or equivalent at least six months prior to the holding of the event for approval by the Section Executive Committee.
2. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENTS OF JUDGES:** The technical representative or chief referee together with the section evaluators'/judges' chair or equivalent and the Section Officials Development representative or equivalent will select the judges' panels and create the working assignments for the judges at a regional competition.
3. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENTS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS:** The technical representative or chief referee together with the hosting Section Evaluators'/Judges' chair or equivalent and/or the hosting Section Technical Officials chair (if such a position exists within the section) will select the technical officials' panels and create the working assignments for the technical controllers and technical specialists at a sectional competition.

4. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF DATA SPECIALISTS:** The chief data specialist and data specialists shall be assigned by the hosting section Data Specialists Committee.

520 – SIZE OF OFFICIALS’ PANELS AT REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

For all events which qualify skaters for entry into Canadian Synchronized Skating Championships, there shall be a technical controller, a technical specialist, an assistant technical specialist, a referee and at least five judges on each panel. In an emergency, the technical panel may be composed of only a technical controller and a technical specialist and/or there shall be seven judges. If such a case arises, a report must be filed with the Domestic Officials Committee which gives a full explanation of the circumstances. If such circumstance is foreseen, advance application can be made.

530 – GUEST OFFICIALS

1. Subject to the approval of the chair of the hosting section Evaluators/Judges Committee a guest judge may be appointed for one or more events. Such guest judge is subject to the restrictions as set forth in Rule 7504 (4). (Rule 7402 (5))
2. A technical official registered in a region other than the one conducting a regional championship may be invited to a championship provided that approval has been granted by the section judge/evaluator or technical officials chair (as appropriate) from the home section of the official concerned.
3. A guest technical official from another ISU member may be permitted to officiate at a sectional championships provided the criteria of Section B – 120 are met.

540 – OFFICIAL IS UNABLE TO COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES

1. If after the start of an event a judge becomes unable to complete their duties, that judge’s marks shall be counted up until the time at which they are no longer able to officiate. There shall be no replacement of that judge for the remaining segments of the event.
2. If, in an emergency, the panel is reduced to two judges, the referee shall also judge. If the referee is already judging, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement judge from those judges present and qualified to officiate. If no such replacement exists, the competition shall be suspended.
3. If during the course of an event, the referee or technical controller becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall replace the official with a qualified replacement.
 - a) If no qualified replacement technical controller is present and available, a sectional or higher level technical specialist may be appointed as the replacement. If no such person is present



and available, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical controller and the technical panel shall be composed of two people.

- b) If no qualified replacement referee is present and available, a sectional or higher level judge who is also qualified as an interclub referee may be appointed as a replacement. If no replacement referee can be found, the event shall be suspended.
 - c) If a replacement referee or technical controller is available, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
- 4.** If during the course of an event, the technical specialist or assistant technical specialist become unable to officiate, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement from all sectional level or higher technical specialists present and qualified to officiate. If no such person is present and available, a sectional or higher level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, the technical panel shall be composed of two people and if necessary the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical specialist. If a replacement technical specialist is available, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
- 5.** If, due to extraordinary circumstances, the technical panel is reduced to only one official, the event shall be suspended.

NATIONAL SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

600 – COMPOSITION OF OFFICIALS' PANELS AT NATIONALS

1. **USE OF REFEREE AS A JUDGE:** A referee of an event may not be used as a judge in the same event except in case of an emergency; but such officials may be used as judges in other events in which they have not been appointed to act as referee.
2. **QUALIFICATION OF JUDGES ON PANELS:**
NATIONAL SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS: For all events the panel shall consist of qualified championship judges of the appropriate level.
3. **QUALIFICATIONS OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS ON PANELS:**
NATIONAL SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS: For all events at the National Synchronized Skating Championships, the technical controller and technical specialists shall be at least national level. If possible, at least one technical official on a senior panel should be international or ISU level.
4. For senior panels, one section level judge and/or section level technical specialist or technical controller may also be on the panel for educational purposes; however their marks shall not be counted in the scoring. A section level technical official serving in this educational capacity may not be seated with the technical panel but may be connected via the electronic communication link for the purpose of listening only. They may not communicate with the technical panel in any manner during an event and may not discuss the results of that event until the conclusion of the competition.
5. **DETERMINING ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICIALS:** The technical representative, referees, judges and all data specialists shall be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Association. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, delegate the authority to approve referee, judge and data specialist assignments to the Domestic Officials Committee. All technical controllers and technical specialists shall be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee and approved by the Executive Committee.
 - a) **TIMING OF APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS:** Where possible, the recommendations for referees, judges, technical controllers, technical specialists and data specialists must be made a minimum of three months prior to the event.
 - b) **APPOINTMENT OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CHIEF DATA SPECIALIST:** In the case of the technical representative and the chief data specialist, these appointments must be recommended by the Domestic Officials Committee for approval by the Board of Directors at least six months prior to the holding of the event.

610 – SIZE OF OFFICIALS' PANEL AT NATIONALS

For all events there shall be a technical controller, a technical specialist, an assistant technical specialist, a referee and between six and twelve judges on each panel. The normal quota of judges on a national championship officials' panel is seven.

620 – GUEST TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

A guest technical official from another ISU member may be permitted to officiate at a National Synchronized Skating Championships provided the criteria of Section B – 120 are met.

630 – OFFICIAL IS UNABLE TO COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES

1. If, after the start of an event, a judge becomes unable to complete his or her duties, that judge's marks shall be counted up until the time at which they are no longer able to officiate. There shall be no replacement of that judge for the remaining segments of the event.
2. If, in an emergency, the panel is reduced to five judges, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement judge from those judges present and qualified to officiate. If no such replacement exists, the referee shall also judge. If the referee is already judging, the competition may be suspended at the discretion of the technical representative in consultation with the Skate Canada representative.
3. If, during the course of an event, the referee or technical controller becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall replace the official with a qualified replacement.
 - a) If no qualified replacement technical controller is present and available, a national or higher level technical specialist may be appointed as the replacement. If no such person is present and available, a section level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical controller and if possible, a section level technical specialist shall be appointed assistant technical specialist. If this is not possible, the technical panel shall be composed of two people.
 - b) If no qualified replacement referee is present and available, a national or higher level judge who is also qualified as a section referee may be appointed as a replacement.
 - c) If a replacement referee or technical controller is found, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.
4. If, during the course of an event, the technical specialist or assistant technical specialist becomes unable to officiate, the technical representative shall appoint a replacement from all national level or higher technical specialists present and qualified to officiate. If no such person is present and available, a national or higher level technical controller may be appointed as a replacement. If no such person is present and available, a section level



technical specialist or technical controller may be appointed. If no such person is available, the technical panel shall be composed of two people. If necessary, the assistant technical specialist shall assume the duties of the technical specialist. If a replacement technical specialist is found, that person shall assume those duties for the remaining segments of the event.

5. If, in an emergency, the technical panel is reduced to only one official, the competition may be suspended at the discretion of the technical representative in consultation with the Skate Canada representative.

640 – REPRESENTATION OF SECTIONS ON PANELS

For the Canadian Figure Skating Championships, if possible the appointed technical controller, technical specialist and assistant technical specialist for a particular category should be from different Skate Canada sections. The technical specialist and assistant technical specialist shall not be from the same Skate Canada section. If possible, the referee and technical controller should not be from the same Skate Canada section.

In case of emergency, the technical specialist and assistant technical specialist may be from the same Skate Canada section, however this must be approved by the Domestic Officials Committee chair in advance, or explained in writing if the situation becomes necessary during the conduct of an event. In no case may all three technical officials be from the same Skate Canada section.