

# Pairs Free Skating

Pair teams are allowed to skate one level above the highest they have passed. Newly formed pairs comprised of skaters of different pair test levels and who are in the process of taking pair tests may enter the level they intend to compete for the 2009-10 season with the approval of the Chief Referee.

## Pre-Juvenile Pairs

Both partners must have passed the Preliminary Pair Test, but the pair may not have passed the Juvenile Pair Test.

- Free Skating shall be in accordance with rule 4090 of the 2009-2010 rulebook.
- Program duration: 2 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

## Juvenile Pairs

Both partners must have passed the Preliminary Pair Test, but the pair may not have passed the Intermediate Pair Test.

- Free Skating shall be in accordance with rule 4080 of the 2009-2010 rulebook.
- Program duration: 2 minutes 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds.

## Intermediate Pairs

Both partners must have passed the Juvenile Pair Test, but the pair may not have passed the Novice Pair Test.

- Free Skating shall be in accordance with rule 4070 of the 2009-2010 rulebook.
- Program duration: 3 minutes, +/- seconds

## Novice Pairs

Both partners must have passed the Intermediate Pair Test, but the pair may not have passed the Junior Pair Test.

- **Short program** shall be in accordance with rule 4061.
- Maximum duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds.
- **Free skating** (long program) shall be in accordance with rule 4062 of the 2009-2010 rulebook.
- Program duration: 3 minutes 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds.

## Junior Pairs

Both partners must have passed the Novice Pair Test, but the pair may not have passed the Senior Pair Test.

- **Short program** shall be in accordance with rule 4051
- Maximum duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds.
- **Free skating** (long program) shall be in accordance with rule 4052 of the 2009-2010 rulebook.
- Program duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds.

## Senior Pairs

Both partners must have passed the Junior Pair Test.

- **Short program** shall be in accordance with rule 4041
- Maximum duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds.
- **Free skating** (long program) shall be in accordance with rule 4042 of the 2009-2010 rulebook.
- Program duration: 4 minutes 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds.

Note: it is permissible for one or both of the partners to have passed the next higher pairs test and still remain eligible to compete at the lower test level, provided that neither skater has competed at the higher pairs level at a qualifying competition.