



2026-2027 Selection Guidelines for Senior Challenger and International Events: Singles, Pairs & Ice Dance

The following criteria will be considered when assigning skaters to Senior Challenger and International events for the 2026-2027 season. All skaters/teams will be required to compete at a summer competition completing all portions of the event (RD/FD, SP/FP) except in cases where an agreed upon competitive plan has been approved by the Skate Canada High Performance Director. Achieving any, or all, of the benchmarks noted herein does not guarantee the assignment of a Senior Challenger or International event. All assignments are determined at the discretion of the Skate Canada High Performance Director.

- Preference for assignments will be given to skaters/teams who have been assigned to an ISU Grand Prix event for the 2026-2027 season.
- Skaters/teams will be considered for assignments if they have consistently attained the following minimum target scores:
 - Internationally in the 2025-2026 season
 - Domestically in the 2025-2026 or 2026-2027 seasons

2025-2026 Benchmarks	Men	Women	Pairs	Dance
International	204	155	152	154
Domestic	219	166	163	165

2026-2027 Benchmarks	Men	Women	Pairs	Dance
International	204	158	149	150
Domestic	219	169	160	161

International Benchmarks are 70% and Domestic Benchmarks are 75% of the Gold Medal Profile (GMP) targets outlined by the Skate Canada Long Term Development Technical/Tactical Athlete Development Matrix.

Only those skaters/teams who have met the established criteria or who have previously demonstrated these benchmarks at Junior and/or Senior International and /or Domestic events, will be considered for an assignment. Consideration for an additional assignment will require the skaters/teams to have met and/or clearly demonstrated the ability to achieve the 2027 ISU World Technical Score at their first international assignment. Skate Canada reserves the right to not fill all open entry spots or waive these requirements in extenuating circumstances.