

Communication No. 2765

SINGLE & PAIR SKATING

ISU Recognized Single & Pair Skating Referees and Judges' Seminars Season 2025/26 - second semester

Further to ISU Communication No. 2713 and after having received ISU Members' applications, the ISU recognized the following Seminar for Referees and Judges:

• Kuala Lumpur, MAS	April 13-15, 2026
• Lugano, SUI	May 8-10, 2026
• Warsaw, POL	May 22-24, 2026
• Tokyo, JPN	August 7-9, 2026 *

* This seminar will be valid for the 2026/27 season

Purpose

These ISU Seminars will include a Judge's section and a Referee's section:

- the Judge's section forms an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU/International Judges and first appointment of International and ISU Judges and therefore it serves the purposes of Seminar attendance requirements included in Rule 412, paragraphs 1.d) (i), 2.c), 3.d) (i), 4.c) and Rule 413, paragraphs 1.c), 2.c), 3.d), 4.c) for Single & Pair Skating;
- the Referee's section form an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU/International Referees and therefore it serves the purposes of Seminar attendance requirements included in Rule 412, paragraphs 2.c), 4.c) f for Single & Pair Skating.

If a Seminar is organized in conjunction with an International Competition, the participants at the Seminar cannot also serve as Referees, Judges or Coaches at the competition. The organizing ISU Member must make the application to the ISU for recognition.

Moderators

Moderators designated by the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee will conduct these Seminars.

Participants

These ISU Seminars are primarily for the Officials of the ISU Host Member. However, Officials of other ISU Members (not more than 2 per ISU Member) can also attend subject to the availability of places. ISU Members wishing to nominate Officials to participate in this ISU Seminar, or the ISU Referees/Judges themselves, may make an application to the ISU Secretariat, with copies to the ISU Host Member and the Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, not later than six weeks prior to the scheduled date of the Seminar. The ISU Host Member must also send to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, the names of those of its own Officials who will attend the Seminar.

Please note that at all 2025 and 2026 ISU Figure Skating Championships, the Initial Judges Meetings for Single & Pair Skating will be conducted by a member of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee. Therefore, each of those Initial Judges Meetings and the respective Round Table Discussion formed/will form together an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU Judges, as per Rule 417, paragraph 5.

ISU Members are reminded that the above-mentioned Initial Judges Meeting and Round Table Discussions no longer count as ISU Seminars for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees (but Judges only). Therefore, such ISU or International Referees may still need to attend an ISU Seminar in order to fulfil the requirements for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees. However, Rule 417, paragraph 5, states that:

“To consider the activity as Referee of an ISU Championships or the Olympic Winter Games, as an ISU Seminar for re-appointment, the following is required:

- the Initial Judges Meeting conducted by the Referee together with the Chair or a member of the respective Technical Committee;
- the Round Table Discussion must be conducted by the Referee
- the activity as a Referee for these Championships or the Olympic Winter Games is considered acceptable by the respective Technical Committee.”

In order to fulfill the requirements of having completed an ISU Seminar for re-appointment, Judges and Referees may also complete the related ISU e-learning test for re-appointment published on the ISU eLearning platform.

Language

These ISU Seminars will be conducted in English.

Expenses

The responsibility for the expenses of these ISU Seminars will be allocated as follows:

- a) The administrative expenses (use of ice surface, classroom and all supporting equipment/facilities) will be borne by the ISU Host Member.
- b) The travel and living expenses of the Moderators will be borne by the ISU.
- c) The travel and living expenses of the participants will be borne by their respective ISU Members, or by the Referees/Judges themselves in case of direct application (not through the ISU Members).

Application deadlines

The deadlines for sending the applications are:

• Kuala Lumpur, MAS	March 2, 2026
• Lugano, SUI	March 27, 2026
• Warsaw, POL	April 10, 2026
• Tokyo, JPN	June 26, 2026

January 28, 2026

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