



Philippine Skating Union

The official governing body of figure and speed skating in the Philippines

COMMUNICATION 010

National Developmental Pool Guidelines

The Philippine Skating Union (PHSU) hereby issues the following guidelines setting forth the competition participation requirements for eligibility and retention of National Developmental Pool status for skaters representing the Philippines in ISU-sanctioned international competitions, effective January 2026.

1. Eligibility Requirement

- National Competition Requirement
Skaters must have competed in the most recently concluded Philippine National Figure Skating Championships in the categories basic novice and up
- International Competition Requirement
Developmental Pool skaters are required to compete in **at least two (2) of the approved developmental competitions during a competitive season.**
- PHSU Critique Session Requirement
Skaters must **attend and actively participate** in critique sessions organized by the Philippine Skating Union.
 - Where applicable, skaters may be required to:
 - Submit competition videos or performance materials in advance
 - Acknowledge and implement feedback as part of their development plan
- Training Commitment Requirement
Skaters must maintain a **minimum** of 10 hours of recognized training hours per week.
 - For the purposes of this requirement, “recognized training hours” refers to **lessons or independent practice** conducted during designated ice periods with low foot traffic, as specified under item #4 of these guidelines.
 - Attendance will be monitored in coordination with the skater’s coaches and ice rink operations to ensure compliance and eligibility
 - Considerations will be implemented in cases of facility unavailability, subject to review

2. Approved Developmental International Competitions by the PHSU

Novice Levels	Junior Level
1. Asian Open Figure Skating Trophy	1. Cranberry Cup International
2. Southeast Asian Open Figure Skating Trophy	2. Asian Open Figure Skating Trophy
3. Thailand Open Figure Skating Trophy	3. Southeast Asian Open Figure Skating Trophy
4. Hong Kong Open Figure Skating	4. Thailand Open Figure Skating Trophy
5. Swan Trophy	5. Tallinn Trophy
6. Santa Claus Cup	6. Santa Claus Cup
7. Sofia Trophy	7. Sofia Trophy
	8. Merano Ice Trophy
	9. ISU Junior Grand Prix Events

3. Participation in Other International Competitions

Athletes may participate in international competition outside the approved list. This must be requested in writing, but may not count for the competition requirement.



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4. Recognized Training Hours

Non-peak season

	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
MOA	10AM-12NN 7:30-8:30PM	10AM-12NN 7:30-9:45PM	10AM-12NN 7:30-8:30PM	10AM-12NN 7:30-8:30PM	6AM-12NN	6:30-11:30AM	
MEGA	10AM-12NN 8:30-9:30PM	6AM-12NN 8:30-9:30PM	6AM-12NN 8:30-9:30PM	10AM-12NN 8:30-9:30PM	10AM-12NN	8-10AM	8-10AM
SEASIDE	10AM-12NN 7-9PM	10AM-12NN 7-9PM	10AM-12NN 7-9PM	10AM-12NN 7-9PM	10AM-12NN 7-9PM	10AM-12NN	10AM-12NN

Peak Season (Summer and Christmas break)

- During peak season, recognized training hours shall consist of **ice allocations scheduled prior to mall operating hours up to 12:00 NN**. Specific schedules may be issued separately depending on rink operations and seasonal adjustments.

Training Abroad

- Training conducted abroad during officially scheduled freestyle sessions may be credited toward the required hours, subject to verification and approval by the PHSU.

5. Review, Ineligibility, and Exceptions

- Failure to comply with the requirements herein shall render a skater subject to review of Developmental Pool eligibility.
- Exceptions to these requirements shall be considered only in cases of injury or other valid, documented reasons, and must be submitted in writing for approval by the PHSU. The decision of the PHSU shall be final.

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