

Y**CONTROL AND ADMINISTRATION OF PRO-AM SYSTEM****1 General**

The Pro-Am system has been adopted to promote an apprenticeship program for the training of current eligible skaters, but not eligible skaters with restricted rights, who later wish to become a remunerated figure skating coach. This system also allows skaters the opportunity to assist themselves financially. However, the funds accumulated may only be used for figure skating purposes (coaching fees, costumes, ice hire, equipment and travelling expenses).

2 Application

Eligible skaters, but not eligible skaters with restricted rights, who are, or have been, competitive skaters, have reached the age of sixteen (16) years at the time of application and are in possession of at least an Intergold figure skating qualification (in the discipline in which they intend to Pro-Am) and who wish to become a pro-am skater must register with the Provincial Committee of SAFSA in which the skater is currently registered. Where a prospective Pro-Am skater does not meet the above requirements a special application may be made and will be considered strictly on a case-by-case basis and on the recommendation of SAPSU or SAFSA.

The prospective skater shall complete a Pro-Am Registration form (Appendix No. 12) in consultation with a SAFSA approved and registered coach. A Pro-Am may register with more than one (1) SAFSA approved and registered coach. Pro-Am skaters may only assist skaters who are currently registered with a SAFSA approved coach who will be responsible to oversee the training program of the skaters in consultation with the Pro-Am. All applications are subject to review on a yearly basis.

3 Administration

All negotiations on the necessity for, and the booking of, pro-am lessons must be made between the coach and skater. Under no circumstances may eligible skaters or their parents or guardians negotiate the need for lessons or times thereof with the Pro-Am skater themselves. Any skater, whether eligible or Pro-Am, will be subject to disciplinary action if the Pro-Am rules are, in any way, contravened.

Pro-Am skaters must keep individual time sheets (Appendix No. 13) of their monthly Pro-Am activities and these must be submitted to both their registered coach and the respective Provincial Committee.

The coach will bill the skaters for Pro-Am lessons, receive payment and pay the moneys due, together with a general time sheet (Appendix No. 14), directly to the Provincial Committee. The Provincial Committee shall keep a record of all moneys received for each individual Pro-Am skater and such funds shall be deposited into each Pro-Am skaters trust account. The Provincial Committee shall administer this account only.

All Pro-Am skaters wishing to utilise their accumulated funds must do so in writing explaining for what reason they require these funds. Should the Provincial Committee be satisfied that these funds are to be used for bone-fide reasons only, they may then pay out the moneys to the Pro-Am skater. Should the Provincial Committee in any way suspect that moneys earned by the Pro-Am skater are not being used for bone-fide reasons only, the Pro-Am skater shall be subject to disciplinary action and removal from the Pro-Am system. All remaining funds earned shall then revert to the Provincial Committee.