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## **Full Professional Criteria**

**There are five criteria that will be considered during the application review:**

- **Professional Coaching Education**
- **Professional Rating & Rankings**
- **Professional Coaching Experience**
- **Personal Skating Accomplishments**
- **Letters of Reference**

You will need to satisfy **at least one bullet from each criterion**. Upon review of your completed application you will be considered for an interview with the Professionals Committee. Professionals will be interviewed only once by the Professionals Committee before voting and making a recommendation to the Board of Directors for a vote. The membership committee will notify you in writing or by phone of the Board's decision.

Coaches applying for Professional membership may be approved for freestyle, ice dance or pairs, or a combination thereof. If applying for a combination, they will need to submit documentation specific to each discipline. Once approved, the Professional will be allowed to teach moves in the field in addition to their approved discipline.

The 2017 deadline for Professionals renewing their membership is June 19, 2017. Please note that lapse of membership may result in late fees or having to reapply and go through the interview process again.

### **Part 1: Professional Coaching Education**

Applicant must have completed at least one of the following and **provide a copy of the certificate/affidavit:**

- Professional Skater Association (PSA) accredited seminar
- PSA National or International conference
- Professional Education Program (PEP)
- Professional Accreditation & Certifying Education (PACE)
- Senior Level PSA Apprentice Program
- Professional Foreign Figure Skating education Program Equivalent (**provide affidavit indicating length of participation in/or completion of program**)
- Domestic or Foreign College Degree in Figure skating Related course of Study (**Examples: Physical culture, biomechanics, physical Education**)



## Part 2: Professional Rating & Rankings

Applicant must have at least one of the following and **provide a copy of the certificate/affidavit:**

- PSA Senior Level rating
- PSA officially ranked coach
- Maintain 16 PSA seminar points each year
- Senior Level PSA Apprentice Program graduate

## Part 3: Professional Coaching Experience

Applicant must have at least one of the following and have documentation:

- A minimum of 5 years of figure skating coaching experience in free skate, ice dance or pairs. **(provide qualifying evidence by letter of reference from skating director or rink manager)**
- Re-certification in the PSA Apprentice Program moves in the field, free skate, ice dance or pairs categories each year until 5 years of coaching experience is completed. **(Provide PSA documentation)**
- Coached at the USFS or equivalent National Championship
  1. As the primary coach of at least the USFS junior level equivalencyOr
  2. Coached an International competitor placing in the top ten in an event where there are more than ten skaters competing
- Coached a skater through their junior level USFS free skate, dance or pair tests or the equivalent from Canadian Figure Skating Association (CFSA) or International Skating Union (ISU). **(Please provide a copy of the test sheets and skater's certificate)**

## Part 4: Personal Skating Accomplishments

Applicant must have passed at least one of the following official skating tests and **provide a copy of the results/certificate:**

- USFS Junior free skate, Pre Gold Dance, Junior free dance or Junior pair test
- CFSA Junior level equivalent to the USFS free skate, dance or pair tests
- ISU Junior level equivalent to the USFS free skate, dance or pair tests

## Part 5: Letters of Reference

- Submit letters of reference, including telephone numbers and signatures of two (2) Full Professional Members. (Note: Only signatures of Full Professional Members who have been on staff for at least two (2) years will be accepted).
- Submit letters of references, including telephone numbers and signatures of three (3) athletes 12 & older, parents, professional colleagues or rink manager/skating director.

**Additional Note:** If you can satisfy more than the minimum required items from the criterion, please include them and any appropriate documentation. This will enhance your application.