

Kia ora koutou katoa,

The Board are aware of how difficult the current situation is for our skating community. We would like to remind you all of the stipulations that were put in place last year to ensure the safety of our events:

- For any region in Covid-19 Alert Level 2 or above, Club and Regional competitions and tests **in that region cannot** be held. NZIFSA will be working with local clubs to help reschedule any competitions if necessary.
- If **any region in New Zealand** is under Alert Level 2 or above at the commencement of the National Championships, the National Championships **will not be held**. We will be looking to reschedule if possible.
- For any region in Covid-19 Alert Level 1, competitions and tests can continue as planned, however skaters from a region that is in Alert Level 2 or above at the commencement of the competition/test may not attend and will be refunded any competition entry/test fees.

The following competitions may need to be cancelled or rescheduled, depending on the outcome of future government announcements:

- Allegro Champs - 28 August - 29 August
- North Island Champs - 4 September – 5 September

We are hoping that the current situation in New Zealand does not impact the following competitions, and will advise members of any updates as they come to fruition.

- Queenstown Ice Skating Club Champs – 11 September
- CMFSC Club Championships – 2 October – 3 October
- National Championships – 9 October – 12 October

If our National Championships needs to be rescheduled, it will be done so in the same manner that it was last year. The process for this will be as follows:

- The new date for Nationals will be the final date.
- If one region of New Zealand goes into Level 2 or above at the commencement of Nationals, there will be no further postponement.
- All entry fees paid will be refunded.

The Board are well aware of the disappointment that any postponements or cancellations may cause for skaters, coaches, officials and families. We believe it is in the best interest of our skating community to keep as safe as we possibly can.

In the meantime, we are lucky to be able to communicate digitally. Coaches and skaters, please stay connected over this time to maintain off ice training and fitness, a positive mindset and skater and/or team morale.

Ngā mihi,

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