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To all National Federations

## Dear Presidents,

After the decision to cancel the World Championship 2020, officially communicated by World Skate, the Artistic Technical commission informs of the following:

- 1) Official Regulation Artistic General 2020 Point 2.1: Categories in International Competition For pairs (not Couple Dance) in 2020, the category will be determined by either:
  - o The age of the male skater or;
  - o The age of the oldest partner

In order to lessen the effect on already established pairs: for the year 2021, pairs that have one skater of the pair in one age category and the other in another category can choose to skate in either the category of the age of the male skater or the category of the age of the oldest partner.

As of 2022, the category will be determined by the age of the oldest partner.

- 2) Technical Requirements for 2021 will remain the same as 2020.
- 3) Figures will be contested at the World Championships 2021 as the final year (not 2020 as previously published).
- 4) The following communication that was published after the ATC meeting held in La Vendée, France in 2018, that was intended to be from 2021, will now be implemented from 2022:

From the 2021 World Championships, the National Federations that will enter a male athlete in the Solo Dance category whether he is Junior or Senior, will have to enter also a Dance Couple in the same category.

It is not necessary that the athlete enrolled in Solo Dance is the same as the Couple.

5) Given the current and unprecedented period we are experiencing across the globe, World Skate has decided to postpone the World Cup project. Despite some nations easing restrictions, a number of countries are



experiencing an exponential crisis. Many still have closed borders as well as an uncertain or restricted return to sport along with great economic hardship. Due to the ongoing issues arising from the COVID-19 pandemic and the unpredictable nature of the situation, a progressive step for the foreseeable future will be the introduction of the new World Skate Artistic Ranking for 2021 that will be established with results from Continental Championships and the major International Cups (where more than 2 continents are participating).

The 2021 World Ranking will not have any connection with the World Championship in 2021, however the ATC will study the ranking to prepare for future seasons.

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