



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – XXV OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES – MILANO CORTINA 2026

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION (ISU)

FIGURE SKATING

A. EVENTS (5)

Men's events (1)	Women's events (1)	Mixed events (3)
Men Single Skating	Women Single Skating	Pair Skating Ice Dance Team Event

B. QUOTA PLACES

1. Total quota places for discipline:

	Quota places	Host country quota places	Total
Men	71	TBC	71
Women	71	TBC	71
Total	142		142

2. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee (NOC) (per sport/discipline and/or per event):

	Quota places per NOC
Men Single Skating	3
Women Single Skating	3
Pair Skating	3 (6 athletes)
Ice Dance	3 (6 athletes)
Total	18

3. Maximum number of athletes per event (where applicable)

	Number of athletes per event
Men Single Skating	29



Women Single Skating	29
Pair Skating	19 (38 athletes)
Ice Dance	23 (46 athletes)
Team Event	10 teams
Total	x

4. Type of allocation of quota places:

Quota places are allocated to the NOC(s). The selection of athletes for its allocated quota places is at the discretion of the NOC subject to the eligibility requirements.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

Compliance with the Olympic Charter and other relevant rules

All athletes must respect and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors) and Rule 43 (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions).

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by the IOC, plus the rules of ISU, may participate in the Olympic Games Milano Cortina 2026.

Age requirements

To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games Milano Cortina 2026, athletes must be born on or before *July 1, 2008*.

Additional IF eligibility criteria

Minimum Combined Total Elements Score

As per Rule 400.A/B, paragraph 5 of the 2022 Special Regulations Single & Pair Skating/Ice Dance, to be entered into and participate in the individual events (Women Single Skating, Men Single Skating, Pair Skating, Ice Dance) of the Olympic Winter Games, a skater/couple must have reached on or before the final entry deadline of 26 January 2026 in an ISU Championships or ISU recognized International Competition (as per Article 39 paragraph 7 of the ISU Constitution and Rule 107, paragraph 1 to 9 of the ISU General Regulations) during the ongoing or immediately preceding season the applicable minimum Combined Total Elements Score (points) established for the ISU Championships (see ISU Special Regulations Single & Pair Skating/Ice Dance, Rule 378, paragraph 4). The applicable Minimum Combined Total Elements Scores shall be decided by the ISU Council and shall be published in an ISU Communication at the beginning of the Olympic season 2025/2026.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

General Principles

ISU Rule 400 applies for Figure Skating qualification.



Qualification for the individual events (Women Single Skating, Men Single Skating, Pair Skating, Ice Dance) is based on an accumulation of points at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 or by placement at the ISU Figure Skating Qualifying Competition (TBA).

QUOTA PLACES

Men/Women/Mixed

Number of quota places	Qualification events																
D.1: Men Single Skating: 24 Women Single Skating: 24 Pair Skating: 32 (16 pairs) Ice Dance: 38 (19 couples)	<p>D.1 Qualification through the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Number of Qualification places</th> <th>Required No of points as per ISU Rule 378/2</th> <th>No of athletes in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 that count for points</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="2">3</td> <td>Max. 13</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Max. 2</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">2</td> <td>14-28</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3-10</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td colspan="2">Next highest ranked athlete from the NOCs not qualified with three (3) and two (2) places, until the quotas of qualification through the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 are reached.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The above-mentioned points are calculated using the summary of ranking places at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025. If three (3) skaters/pairs/couples participated in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025, only the two (2) highest placed count for points. The related ISU Rule is Rule 378, paragraph 2.</p> <p>NOCs, who through their ISU Members Nation, have obtained the necessary points according to Rule 378, paragraph 2b) and c) will have the right for two (2) or three (3) entries, only if, in addition, they had two (2) or respectively three (3) Skaters/Pairs/Couples qualified for the Free Skating/Free Dance in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 (ISU Rule 400, paragraph 3).</p>	Number of Qualification places	Required No of points as per ISU Rule 378/2	No of athletes in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 that count for points	3	Max. 13	2	Max. 2	1	2	14-28	2	3-10	1	1	Next highest ranked athlete from the NOCs not qualified with three (3) and two (2) places, until the quotas of qualification through the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 are reached.	
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D.2: Men Single Skating: 5 Women Single Skating: 5 Pair Skating: 6 (3 pairs) Ice Dance: 8 (4 couples)	<p>D.2 Qualification through the ISU Figure Skating Qualifying Competition (TBA)</p> <p>The remaining quota places will be allocated to the NOCs at the ISU Figure Skating Qualifying Competition (TBA – Autumn 2025). Only one (1) quota place per discipline per NOC may be obtained.</p> <p>Quota places will be allocated to NOCs based on their highest ranked athletes in the competition in the respective discipline. Only the following NOCs may be allocated a quota place:</p>																



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOCs which have not obtained any quota places in the respective discipline in D.1; • NOCs which have obtained the necessary points for two (2) or three (3) entries but did not have two (2) or respectively three (3) Skaters qualified for the Free Skating/Free Dance at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025. This quota place will be in addition to the quota place(s) that the NOC had obtained in D.1. These ISU members are entitled to enter one (1) Skater in the qualifying event who had not qualified for the Free Skating/Free Dance at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025.
D.3:	<p>D.3 Team Event Qualification</p> <p>D.3.1 The Team Event format is based on a competition consisting of up to ten (10) best national teams from NOCs. In each team one (1) skater from the Men Single Skating event, one (1) skater from the Women Single Skating event, one (1) Pair Skating couple and one (1) Ice Dance couple, i.e. a total of six (6) skaters per Team, will compete (hereafter called the Team(s)). Only athletes that are already qualified for the individual events (hereafter called the “qualified skaters/couples”) are eligible to participate in the Team Event with the exception of D.4.</p> <p>D.3.2 Each Team must participate in at least three (3) disciplines (Women Single Skating/Men Single Skating/Pair Skating/Ice Dance) of the Team Event.</p> <p>D.3.3 The ten (10) NOCs will qualify to enter their Teams based on the qualifying points scoring scale as outlined in Annex A scored by its best one (1) skater in Women Single Skating, best one (1) skater in Men Single Skating, best Pair Skating couple and best Ice Dance couple primarily at the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 (season 2024/2025) and the • ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating events and Final season 2025/2026 <p>Plus, if necessary, the following events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISU European Figure Skating Championships/ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships 2025 (season 2024/2025) • ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2025 (season 2024/2025) • ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating season 2025/2026 (only in individual events but not the Final) <p>D.3.4 The ten (10) Teams having accumulated the highest number of qualifying points by the above-mentioned number and discipline of skaters/couples in the above-mentioned ISU Events and the criteria outlined below will qualify.</p> <p>D.3.5 For Figure Skating Team Event Qualifying System, the basis is to attribute to each NOC qualifying points according to the scale located in Annex A (OWG Figure Skating Team Event qualifying points) on the basis of the best result (the highest number of points obtained) of one (1) skater in Men Single Skating, one (1) skater in Women Single Skating, one (1) Pair Skating couple</p>



	<p>and one (1) Ice Dance couple at each of the two (2) groups of ISU Events listed below (the applicable Events):</p> <p>a) one (1) of the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events or Final (senior) season 2025/2026.</p> <p>If skaters/couples of an NOC have not obtained qualifying points in the above-mentioned ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events and Final (senior) season 2025/2026, then the highest result in one (1) event of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events (only in individual events but not the Final) season 2025/2026 can be considered;</p> <p>and</p> <p>b) in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 (season 2024/2025);</p> <p>If skaters/couples of a NOC have not obtained qualifying points in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025, then it is possible to use the ISU European Figure Skating Championships 2025 respectively the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships 2025 and if needed the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2025.</p> <p>D.3.6 If there is a tie among Teams subject to qualify, the Team having obtained the higher number of qualifying points at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025 will be qualified. If a tie persists, the Team having obtained the higher number of qualifying points at the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating events & Final season 2025/2026 will be qualified. If a tie persists, the qualifying NOC will be decided by draw.</p> <p>Practically, one (1) to two (2) skaters in Women Single Skating and one (1) to two (2) skater in Men Single Skating, one (1) to two (2) Pair Skating couples respectively one (1) to two (2) Ice Dance couples per NOC could contribute to the cumulative number of qualifying points per NOC (the maximum two different single skaters/couples would be one skater/couple each at the two applicable group of Events).</p> <p>NOCs with Teams who have qualified skaters/couples in an individual OWG competition/discipline (the “qualified skaters/couples”) in Women Single Skating, Men Single Skating, Pair Skating, Ice Dance) and who have chosen to compete in the Team Event must list the respective qualified skaters/couples of such discipline also as entries for the Team Event and may not enter different skaters/couples for such discipline.</p> <p>Also, the same NOCs must have their skaters competing in all the competitions/disciplines of the Team Event for which they have entries in the individual OWG competition/discipline. This means that if for example an NOC has only one entry for a discipline/competition, this skater or couple may not choose to skate only in the individual OWG competition and skip the Team Event competition.</p> <p>The ten (10) qualified Teams will compete in the Short Program/Rhythm Dance. The five (5) best Teams having scored the highest number of aggregate placement points (see paragraph 4 of Appendix A below) after the</p>
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	<p>Short Program/Rhythm Dance will qualify to continue the Team Event by skating the Free Skating/Free Dance.</p> <p>D.4 Additional Athletes Quota</p> <p>The Additional Athletes Quota of up to five (5) skaters will be used as a priority for the Host Country quotas allocation if needed.</p> <p>In addition, NOCs who do not have qualified skaters/couples in an individual OWG competition/discipline (Women Single Skating, Men Single Skating, Pair Skating, Ice Dance) may benefit of any remaining Additional Athlete Quota (after Host Country places are allocated) and enter into the Team Event with one (1) skater/couple. Preference is given to the best-ranked “incomplete Teams” according to the ranking of the Figure Skating Team qualification list.</p> <p>If applicable, each NOC may benefit of this Additional Athletes Quota for only one discipline of the Team Event.</p> <p>The Additional Athletes Quota beyond the above-mentioned five (5) skaters cannot be exceeded and if not sufficient for the “incomplete Teams”, the lower ranked “incomplete Teams” according to the ranking of the Figure Skating Team qualification list, may in such case not be able to complete their Team.</p> <p>NOCs having skaters in a discipline qualified for the respective individual OWG competition/discipline but who chose not to enter such skater(s) into the individual OWG competition/discipline, may not benefit from the Additional Athletes Quota.</p> <p>The Minimum Combined Total Elements Scores determined by the ISU for this Additional Athletes Quota may be different from the Minimum Combined Total Element Scores for the individual OWG competitions/disciplines. The applicable Minimum Total Element Scores shall be decided by the ISU Council and shall be published in an ISU Communication at the beginning of the Olympic season 2025/2026.</p>
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HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the Italian Olympic Committee (CONI) (host) qualifies in all individual events (Women Single Skating, Men Single Skating, Pair Skating, Ice Dance), the host country places will not be applied. However, in case the CONI went through the normal qualifying procedure and did not qualify in any of the disciplines (Women, Men, Pair Skating, Ice Dance), the CONI shall have the right to enter one (1) Skater(s)/Pair/Couple per concerned discipline(s) as additional entry(ies) as long as the concerned Skater(s)/Pair/Couple achieved the Minimum Combined Total Elements Score (points) for the Olympic Winter Games and meets the eligibility requirements described in section C. The quota places will be allocated from the additional Athletes quota as per paragraph D 4.

Skaters participating through the host country allocated quota will only compete in the individual events. It is important to note that these host country quota places do not automatically constitute a team for the



host country in the Team Event unless the host country qualifies for the Team Event through the normal qualification process as described in D.3.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUOTA PLACES

The ISU will publish the results of the event within 14 days after the event on its website (www.isu.org).

The ISU will confirm in writing to the NOCs within two (2) weeks after the last day of each event, or ranking, the quota places they have been allocated. The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm to the ISU if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

For Qualification Systems which conclude during the last two (2) weeks of the qualification period, or similarly for events taking place during the last two (2) weeks of the qualification period, notification of acceptance/rejection of allocated quota places by NOCs shall be limited to forty-eight (48) hours in order to maximise the potential for reallocation of any unused quota places. For those sports/disciplines with allocation to the NOC, a Late Athlete Replacement policy will be developed and published by the time of the Chef De Mission seminar.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country CONI must confirm in writing to the ISU immediately after the ISU Figure Skating Qualifying Competition the use of its Host Country Places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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Qualification places obtained and not used for the individual events (not the Team Event) by the NOCs, will be filled by stand-by NOCs based on the final result of the designated ISU Figure Skating Qualifying Competition (TBA) for those NOCs not qualified and not yet represented.

In case that a Qualified NOC cannot send its Team to the Olympic Winter Games Milano 2026 for whatever reason, the ISU will invite the NOC whose Team is ranked next in the Figure Skating Team Event qualification list, if possible.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE



Date	Milestone
24 – 30 March 2025	<i>ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2025</i>
Within two weeks after the event	The ISU confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
Within two weeks after the communication from the IF	The NOCs to confirm to the ISU the use of the allocated quota places.
<i>TBC (September or October)</i>	<i>ISU Figure Skating Olympic Qualifying Competition (TBD*)</i>
Within two weeks after the event	The ISU to confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
Within two weeks after the communication from the IF	The NOCs to confirm to the ISU the use of the allocated quota places.
Within five days after each previous step	ISU to reallocate all unused quota places.
04 – 07 December 2025 (*TBD)	ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final and subsequent ISU information regarding the qualified Teams for the Olympic Figure Skating Team Event
Within 24h of information	NOCs qualified for the Team Event to confirm use of allocated quota place to ISU
Mid-December 2025 (*TBD)	ISU to inform relevant NOCs regarding reallocation of Team quota places that will have to be confirmed by the NOC within 24 hours. Lack of an NOC response to the ISU within this deadline will be considered as a refusal of the offered Team quota place.
XX January 2026*	ISU to reallocate any unused quota places.
26 January 2026	Milano Cortina 2026 Sport Entries deadline
6 – 22 February 2026	Olympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026

* To Be Determined



ANNEX A - OLYMPIC FIGURE SKATING TEAM EVENT
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1) **OWG FIGURE SKATING TEAM EVENT QUALIFYING POINTS**

Allocation of qualifying points:

Place	WC	EC/FC	WJC	GPF	GP	JGP
1.	1200	840	500	800	400	250
2.	1080	756	450	720	360	225
3.	972	680	405	648	324	203
4.	875	612	365	583	292	182
5.	787	551	328	525	262	164
6.	709	496	295	472	236	148
7.	638	446	266		213	133
8.	574	402	239		191	120
9.	517	362	215			108
10.	465	325	194			97
11.	418	293	174			
12.	377	264	157			
13.	339	237	141			
14.	305	214	127			
15.	275	192	114			
16.	247	173	103			
17.	222	156	93			
18.	200	140	83			
19.	180	126	75			
20.	162	113	68			
21.	146	102	61			
22.	131	92	55			
23.	118	83	49			
24.	106	74	44			
Event	11043	7729	4601	3748	2278	1630

WC = World Championships 2025

EC = European Championships 2025

FC = Four Continents Championships 2025

WJC = World Junior Championships 2025

GPF = Grand Prix Final 2025/2026

GP = Grand Prix 2025/2026

JGP = Junior Grand Prix 2025/2026



2) CONFIRMATION AND ENTRY PROCEDURE

If an NOC has two (2) or three (3) entries in an individual Olympic Winter Games competition/discipline then the NOC must confirm the name of the participants who will compete in the Short Program/Rhythm Dance of the Team Event as follows:

Women Single Skating Short Program, Ice Dance Rhythm Dance Pair Skating Short Program	Latest at 10:00 a.m., local time on site of the OWG, the day before the Team Event Women Single Skating Short Program, the Ice Dance Rhythm Dance and Pair Skating Short Program.
Men Single Skating Short Program	Latest at 10:00 a.m., local time on the site of the OWG, the day before the Team Event Men Single Skating Short Program.
Ice Dance Free Dance	The five (5) Teams qualified for the Free Skating/Free Dance of the Team Event the NOC must declare within the Team Leaders Meeting scheduled 10 min. after the Team Event Men Single Skating Short Program, the names of the Ice Dance couples skating the Team Event Ice Dance Free Dance segment.
Women Single Skating Free Skating Pair Skating Free Skating Men Single Skating Free Skating	During the Team Confirmation Meeting at 23:00 h (TBD*) on the day of the Team Event Ice Dance Free Dance, the Team Leaders must declare the skater in Women Single Skating, Pair Skating and Men Single Skating, who have been selected to skate the Free Skating Team segment.

In principle, the skaters/couples competing in the Free Skating must be the same as those having competed in the Short Program/Rhythm Dance, however each Team has the option to replace up to two (2) entries (two Single Skaters or one Single Skater (Woman or Man) plus one couple (Pair Skating or Ice Dance) or both the Pair Skating and Ice Dance Couples) between the Short Program/Rhythm Dance and the Free Skating/Free Dance provided such qualified skaters/couple is part of the accredited delegation on site of the OWG.

3) STARTING ORDER

The participating skaters/couples will be listed according to their ISU World Standing placement at time of the Team Event. The starting order in the Short Program or Rhythm Dance segment will be the reverse order of the ISU World Standing placements. In the case of any tie, there will be a draw to determine who skates first.

Skaters/Couples, not having obtained any ISU World Standing points will be listed at the bottom of the ISU World Standing list in NOC order. There will be a separate draw between those skaters/couples of the respective discipline with no World Standing points to determine the starting order.

For Free Skating/Free Dance the starting order will be the reverse order of the respective result of each discipline after the previous segment.

4) ISU JUDGING SYSTEM – RESULT DETERMINATION

The ISU Judging System as described in the 2022 ISU Special Regulations Single and Pair Skating/Ice Dance shall apply, in particular but not limited to Rule 352 and Rule 353.



To determine the result after the Short Program/Rhythm Dance and for the final result after the Free Skating/Free Dance of the Team Event the following rule will be used:

For each discipline and segment Team Points will be awarded as follows:

1st	10 placement points
2nd	9 placement points
3rd	8 placement points
4th	7 placement points
5th	6 placement points
6th	5 placement points
7th	4 placement points
8th	3 placement points
9th	2 placement points
10th	1 placement point.

The highest five (5) ranked Teams based on the number of aggregate Team points in the Short Program/Rhythm Dance shall continue the Team Event by competing in the Free Skating/Free Dance. In case of a tie on the 5th place, the tie breaking criteria are listed below.

The Team having obtained the highest number of aggregate Team points in the Short Program/Rhythm Dance and the Free Skating/Free Dance is the winner, the Team having obtained the second highest number of Team points is ranked second and so on.

When forming the intermediate and final result, in case of a tie between Teams, the tie breaking procedure will be used taking into consideration.

- The highest aggregate Team points per Team from the two (2) best places in different disciplines will break the tie;
- If they remain tied, the highest total sum of the segment/total scores of the two (2) skaters/couples, who build the tie, will break the tie;
- If they remain tied, the highest aggregate Team points per Team from the three (3) best places in different disciplines will break the ties;
- If they remain tied, the highest total sum of the segment/total scores of the three (3) skaters/couples, who build the tie, will break the tie;
- If these criteria fail to break the ties, the Teams will be considered tied.

5) MEDALS/AWARDS

The Teams ranked 1 to 3 will be awarded with the Olympic Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. Teams ranked 1 through 8 will receive an Olympic Diploma.

Only skaters who competed in at least one segment of the Team Event will receive a medal respectively a diploma as applicable.

Each Team nominates a captain from their Team members who represents the Team.

6) TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

The ISU will appoint all Technical Officials (ISU Referees, ISU Technical Controllers, ISU Technical Specialists, ISU Data & Replay Operators) that shall be among the same Officials also officiating the individual OWG Figure Skating competitions.



7) PANEL OF JUDGES

The panels of Judges for Team Event will consist of maximum nine (9) ISU Judges per segment of different NOCs. Only Judges who are also drawn and present on site of the OWG to judge the individual OWG competitions/disciplines shall officiate in the Team Event.

Judges for the Team Event will be drawn from the same pool as for the individual OWG competitions/disciplines (see Rule 402) meaning that the draw will not be limited to a pool of Judges from NOCs who have qualified for the Team Event. The following draw procedure shall apply:

- a. The draw for the panel of Judges for the Team Event will be made on the occasion of the Judges Draw at the ISU Figure Skating Olympic Qualifying Competition in the fall of 2025 (TBA) (see also Rule 402).
- b. The number of ISU Judges in the Team Event will be a maximum of nine (9) and a minimum of eight (8) Judges per panel.
- c. Immediately following the draw procedure for the respective panels for the individual OWG competitions/disciplines the draw for the panels of the Team Event will follow. The composition will be made as follows:

Pair Skating	9 NOCs out of the 13 NOCs drawn for the Pair Skating individual OWG competition will form the Pair Skating panel for the Team Event Pair Skating.
Men Single Skating	5 NOCs, out of the 13 NOCs drawn for the Men individual OWG competition and 4 NOCs out of the 9 NOCs drawn already in the Pair Skating Team Event will form the panel of Judges for the Team Event Men Single Skating.
Women Single Skating	5 NOCs, out of the 13 NOCs drawn for the Women individual OWG competition and 4 NOCs out of the 9 NOCs drawn already in the Pair Skating Team Event will form the panel of Judges for the Team Event Women Single Skating.
Ice Dance	9 NOCs out of the 13 NOCs drawn for the Ice Dance individual OWG competition will form the Ice Dance panel for the Team Event Ice Dance.

- d. All Judges, officiating in the Team Event can be invited to act as a Substitute Judge for another discipline of the Team Event if needed and so qualified.
- e. All Judges, drawn to judge the Team Event must be on site according to the OWG event schedule.
- f. All Judges must have the qualification of at least "ISU Judge".
- g. In each panel there can be only one Judge per NOC.