

ISAI COMMUNICATION 9

Cancellation of 2021 Irish National Figure Skating Championships

The Ice Skating Association of Ireland (ISAI) Board of Directors have been carrying out continuous risk assessments since the start of the current season. With the worsening COVID-19 infection rates and soaring case numbers in both Ireland and around the world, the ISAI has determined that the risk is unacceptable and decided that the Irish National Figure Skating Championships due to take place in Spring 2021 will now not be held. We must put the health and safety of not only the athletes, but also the rink staff, judges, ISAI officials and all their families first.

We share your disappointment with this news. With the cancellation of the Learn to Skate programmes and the Winter Challenge, we have all missed being in ice rinks with our skating family. The cancellation of Nationals was another hard decision, and while we had hoped it could go ahead, we believe that cancelling is the right decision. The Irish skating community has, like many others, had no ice since February 2020. We all look forward to the day we can take to the ice again.

As the world continues to adapt to this ongoing pandemic, we must all unite in the hope that these days will soon end. We must all play our part to protect our global community.

As always in these uncertain and challenging times, stay safe, stay home and adhere to government regulations!