



Skate Australia Performance Pathways **2025 Street Skateboarding Emerging / Developing Categorisation** **Assessment Criteria**

In accordance with Skate Australia's Athlete Categorisation Policy, Skate Australia will assess Street Skateboarders for Emerging & Developing categorisation through the process outlined below.

1. Application process

To apply, please submit the following **by 11:59pm AEST on 10th November, 2025** via the links on page 3.

- a) **Submit a list of your contest results** from **1st January 2025 onwards**.
- b) **Submit 5 x unedited videos** (explained below) that demonstrate your technical proficiency in Street Skateboarding. All videos must have been filmed **after 1st June 2025** to be eligible for consideration:
 - **Video 1:** A 45-second Olympic-style run (video can be up to 1minute long to allow for drop in starts and/or lag).
 - **Video 2:** A 45-second Olympic-style run, with notable variations* from your first run (video can be up to 1minute long to allow for drop in starts and/or lag).
Examples of these may be with respect to:
 - Different tricks on similar obstacles
 - A different line with similar tricks
 - **Video 3:** Best Trick 1 – Big section
 - **Video 4:** Best Trick 2
 - **Video 5:** Best Trick 3
- c) **Complete the Skateboarder Readiness for Categorisation Form.**

2. Assessment Criteria

To meet the performance criteria for **Emerging Categorisation**, an athlete must demonstrate the technical proficiency that is equivalent to that of athletes in the top 33-60 placing at a World Championship, Olympic, or World Skate qualification event.

To meet the performance criteria for **Developing Categorisation**, an athlete must demonstrate the technical proficiency that is equivalent to that of athletes in the top 17-32 placing at a World Championship, Olympic, or World Skate qualification event

For Developing Categorisation, this is enhancement on the criteria when compared with Emerging below, such as trick & obstacle selection and execution.

Note: International competition experience is highly desirable for Developing level of Categorisation.



MINIMUM TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CATEGORISATION

Description – What athletes should be able to do to be categorised as EMERGING
<u>45 second RUNS:</u> TRICK SELECTION • Consistently executing at least 6 + tricks throughout course (majority of non-combination tricks being moderate). • Tricks include high level technical variety, risk, creativity, originality. • Trick selection varies & has minimal repetition. OBSTACLE SELECTION • Tricks are performed on at least 2 larger obstacles (Big & Medium Section) throughout the run. • Different types of obstacles are selected throughout the run which demonstrates a greater range of athlete ability. EXECUTION • Tricks are performed fast and confidently (appearing powerful & aggressive). • Tricks appear to flow (athlete does not appear to struggle to execute the trick). • Tricks are landed clean (quality landing/landing on bolts). USE OF COURSE • The run is linked together cohesively, and the athlete appears to move from obstacle to obstacle fluently. • The Athlete does not appear to be intentionally avoiding obstacles. • The course is used to its entirety with little to no part of the skatepark avoided.
<u>BEST TRICKS:</u> TRICK & OBSTACLE SELECTION • Big section proficiency. • Stand out tricks (rare tricks). • Combo tricks proficiency. • Creativity – use of course. • Athlete executes tricks that are unique (tricks repeated from runs must be on a different obstacle or include a variation). • Single tricks (i.e., Kickflip, FS Tailslide etc.) must be completed on a medium-sized obstacle as a minimum. • Combination tricks (i.e. 50/50 Kickflip out, Pop shuvit 50/50 etc.) can be completed on small-sized obstacles. EXECUTION • Trick is performed fast and confidently (appearing powerful & aggressive). • Trick is landed clean (quality landing/landing on bolts).



Trick and obstacle guidelines for Emerging:



Trick Category	Women	Men
BIG SECTION (7-stairset/large fun-box)	1 x big section trick completed in run	1-2 x big section trick/s completed in run
FLIPS	1-2 flip tricks completed on small to medium obstacles. *While flip tricks on medium obstacles are not essential, they are highly desirable.	2-3 flip tricks completed on small to medium obstacles. *While flip tricks on medium obstacles are not essential, they are highly desirable.
SPINS	Spin tricks are not essential but can be incorporated.	Spin tricks are not essential but can be incorporated.
GRINDS & SLIDES	At least 3 Grinds and/or Slides completed on rails, ledges and/or Hubba's, 2 of which must be completed on medium sized obstacles as a minimum.	At least 3 Grinds and/or Slides completed on rails, ledges and/or Hubba's, 2 of which must be completed on medium sized obstacles as a minimum.
COMBINATIONS	While combination tricks are not essential, they will be seen as highly desirable.	1 -2 Combination tricks essential.
SWITCH/FAKIE/NOLLIE	While switch/fakie/nollie tricks are not essential, they will be seen as highly desirable.	1 -3 tricks highly desirable. While switch/fakie/nollie tricks are not essential, they will be seen as highly desirable.
TRANSITION / QTR PIPES / BANKS	While Qtr & Bank tricks are not essential, they will be seen as highly desirable for flow and increased trick count.	While Qtr & Bank tricks are not essential, they will be seen as highly desirable for flow and increased trick count.

***NOTE: Regarding trick categories that are not essential but highly desirable:** skateboarding is a continually evolving sport and hence these tricks/obstacles will be important to consider incorporating in future for your skateboarding long-term development.

3. KEY INFORMATION TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION:

- a) Please review the policy below, prior to submitting your application:
 - Skate Australia's Athlete Categorisation Policy - [Link](#)
- b) Categorisation application submission links (deadline for submission is **11:59pm AEST on 10th November 2025**):
 - Link to submit **contest results & videos**
 - Contest results must be from 1st January 2025 onwards.
 - Videos must be unedited & filmed after 1st June 2025.
 - Link to submit **Skateboarder Readiness For Categorisation Form**

QUESTIONS or CONCERNS???

If you have questions, concerns, or need help completing your application, please reach out to our Skateboarding HP Team at skateboardinghp@skateaustralia.org.au.