



Technical Notification 19

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Ice Dancing

1. Test Rules for Compulsory Dance.

It has come to attention of the Dance and Tests Committees in the creation of the Test Rules publication a set of rules needed for consistency of the judging of compulsory dance test were not brought over to this publication. Please be advised of the following regarding Basic Dance Rules, Introductory steps, and the Dance Glossary:

All compulsory dances tests are to adhere to Basic Dance Rules (4210), Music (4220) and the Dance Glossary (DG) in addition to all rules as stated within the Test Rules regarding compulsory dance.

Most specifically Rule 4212 (A) Introductory steps: For compulsory dances, whether or not using ISU music or not, the introductory period may be up to eight (8) measures with an unlimited number of steps.

2. Twizzles and Dance Lifts

The Technical Group has made the following clarifications below pertaining to the following ice dance events. These clarifications are to be continued to be adhered to until further notice:

1. Juvenile and Intermediate Free Dance Synchronized Twizzle required element: In the event that a Juvenile or Intermediate dance couple executes a series of synchronized twizzles in place of the required element, a synchronized twizzle, only the first twizzle of the series will be called, using the criteria of ISU 1331. The steps following the first twizzle and the second twizzle of a series will not receive a level by the Technical Panel. Rather, the Judges will consider the subsequent steps and twizzle as transitional elements and will include them in their determination of an appropriate mark under the component score for transitions and linking footwork.
2. Execution of incorrect type of lift (Juvenile and Intermediate Free Dance and Junior and Senior Original Dance): If a dance couple executes a 12 second category lift (e.g., serpentine, reverse rotational or combination lift), in a program in which such a lift is not permitted, the Technical Panel will call what they see. At the end of the program, the Technical Controller will verify that the element has been asterisked to ensure the element receives NO VALUE. If the lift were executed for longer than the permitted time (six seconds), the Referee would take the 1.0 deduction for an extended lift.