

FREE DANCE JUDGING FORM NOVICE (NFD)



Candidate's Name _____ Member # _____

Candidate's Club _____

2nd Candidate's Name _____ Member # _____

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Host Club _____ Date _____

General requirements outlined for the pre-silver pattern dance test apply equally to the novice free dance test. The program presented must conform to the rules for free dance. While technically a basic program demonstrating fundamental dance moves, it should have good edges and flow, good timing, some expression and display good form and unison. A refined presentation is not expected. As specified in rule 8432, the following elements are required:

REQUIRED ELEMENTS		EXECUTED	COMMENTS		
LIFTS	Two different types of short lifts Short lifts can be 7 seconds max each Combination lifts not permitted				
SPIN	One dance spin or combination spin Spin: min. 3 revs. on 1 foot by each partner Combination spin: min. 3 revs. on 1 foot by each partner in either part of the spin*				
STEP SEQ.	One step sequence in hold circular, midline, diagonal or serpentine**				
	One choreographic character step sequence in hold or not touching, and must proceed from barrier to barrier within 10 meters on either side of short axis				
TWIZZLES	One set of synchronized twizzles min 2 twizzles with 2 revs. each by both partners; 2-4 steps between twizzles				
Duration: 3:00 +/- 10 seconds - For up to every +/- 10 sec lacking or in excess: penalty of one point (-1) deduction (8334 A) - For each illegal element/movement: penalty of one point (-1) deduction (8334 B) *There is allowed up to one-half rotation on two feet while changing to the other foot simultaneously by each partner. **One pattern retrogression is permitted, but no more. If performed, it must not exceed two measures of music. Separations are permitted provided they are no more than two arms lengths in distance and do not exceed five seconds in duration. Loops are not permitted, but a narrow loop is an acceptable shape in the retrogression. Stops are not permitted. Dance spins and pirouettes are stops. Hand-in-hand hold is not permitted with fully extended arms. The step sequence should include a variety of steps and turns and must include three-turns, brackets, and counters executed by both partners. - Required elements may be skated anywhere in the program except in the required step sequence. - Extra elements may be added without penalty. Two different elements may be reskated, if necessary.			MARK (-3 to +3)		
			Elements		
			Skating		
			Program		
			DED		
Circle Test Result	Retry -9 to -1	Pass 0 to +3	Honors +4 to +6	Distinction +7 to +9	Total

Judge's Signature _____ Name _____ Mbr # _____

Judging Panel Required	Three-Judge Panel (test result determined by majority)	Single-Judge Panel
	Three bronze or higher rank dance test judges	N/A