INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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Single & Pair Skating

I. Remarks on the Levels of Difficulty of Single & Pair elements

The following remarks to the descriptions published in the ISU Communication No. 1263 should be taken into account:

a) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating, Jumps:

Any jump with a "normal" take off and landing on a "different" foot (e.g. Axel with the take off from a forward outside edge and the landing on a backward inside edge) will be called by the Technical Specialist and counted as a "normal" jump for calculations and jump repetition rule. However the Inside Axels (with the take off from a forward inside edge and the landing on a backward outside edge) are not listed elements, they will not be called and counted and will be evaluated under the "Transitions".

b) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating, Spin with change of foot, but no change of position and Spin Combination with change of foot:

Execution of spins in both directions (clockwise and counter clockwise) that immediately follow each other will be rewarded by counting this as an additional feature in Levels 2 and 3 (without increasing the number of features required for these Levels). A minimum of 3 revolutions in each direction is required. A spin executed in both directions as above is considered as one spin.

c) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating, Spin with change of foot, but no change of position and Spin Combination with change of foot:

Difficult variations (of positions) include difficult variations of change of foot (e.g. with a jump).

d) Free Skating, Single Skating, Spin with no change of foot and no change of position, Pair Skating, Solo Spin with no change of foot and no change of position (not layback or sideways leaning spin): The first feature in Level Two ("Spin performed with at least one difficult variation") and in Level Three ("Spin performed with at least two difficult variations") is considered compulsory for these Levels.

e) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating, Step Sequences:

The first feature in Level Two ("Mainly using Variety of turns and steps") and in Level Three ("Mainly using Complex turns and steps") is considered compulsory for these Levels.

f) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating, Spiral Step Sequences:

The duration of any spiral position should not be less than 3 seconds. In case this requirement is not fulfilled, the position is not counted.

g) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating, Spiral Step Sequences:

A feature in Level Three "Unsupported change of edge during one spiral" means that the skater (both skaters) changes the edge without any pushes while being in a spiral position. In case the two spirals

before and after the change of edge fulfill the duration requirement indicated above in f), these spirals will be counted as two spiral positions.

h) Single Skating, Free Skating, Step/Spiral Step Sequences:

If a skater performs a jump within a Step/Spiral Step Sequence, this jump should not interrupt the flow of the sequence. In case of such an interruption, the steps/positions after it are to be excluded from the sequence.

i) Pair Skating, Free Skating Lifts:

In case of a Lift including a Carry, only a Carry with extended arms of the Man can be considered as a feature for Levels Two and Three. Lifts that are just Carries, though not having a value, should be included in the planned program content sheet.

j) Single and Pair Skating, Short Program and Free Skating:

For obtaining a Level Two any feature of Level Three can be considered also as a feature of Level Two if this is necessary.

II. Clarification on a Well Balanced Free Skating Program, Singles

A well balanced Free Skating program contains a maximum of 4 spins for Seniors and 3 spins for Juniors of which:

- one spin is a spin combination (that means contains at least 2 different basic positions or their variations);
- another spin (different from the first one) is a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance;
- one more spin (different from the first two) is a spin with only one position

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INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR JUDGES

The following guidelines are provided to judges when using these GOE Charts:

- These charts describe the performance expectations for skaters for each element included in a short program for Singles skaters. Marks are to be awarded by each judge for each element ranging from –3 through 0 to +3, depending on the quality of the skating of that element.
- 2. First a judge evaluates the quality of an element (e.g. +1), then deducts for errors (e.g. -3) to obtain the final grade (e.g. +1-3= -2)
- 3. If an element has one of the described errors (see charts), the GOE can not be higher than Base Value ("0")
- 4. The assessment of each element is done by phases each phase of the element (noted in the left margin for each element on the chart) contributes to the overall assessment.
- 5. When an error occurs in an element, the error must be penalized according to the severity of the error. When several errors occur on the same element, all must be considered until the minimum assessment of –3 is reached. Two errors on the same phase of an element is the same as one error on two different phases of the same element in terms of reductions.
- 6. The trimmed mean GOE awarded by the judges for each of the elements will be added to the total score for that skater.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Jumps Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing	Minor problems in three or more phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - fall; - severe change of edge on take-off of flip or lutz; - lesser rotation than required	Minor problems in two phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the jump eg. - slightly under- rotated either on take-off or landing (1/4 turn or less); - moderate change of edge on take-off of flip or lutz; - touch with two hands; - step out of landing; - land on two feet	Minor problem in one phase of the jump eg. - touch down with one foot or one hand; - long preparation phase (tele- graphed); - short change of edge in take-off of flip or lutz; - weak landing (land on wrong edge or toe, etc.)	All jump phases completed satisfactorily; ie. average length preparation phase; adequate height and distance; organized/ vertical air position, completed revolution; clean landing; sufficient flow in and out	Good technique on at least three phases of the jump described in base value or - a jump of base value with varied position in the air or delay in rotation - good flow in and acceptable flow out of the jump	Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the jump - consistent flow in and out of the jump	Superior in all jump phases (eg. unexpected or difficult entry phase, great height/distance, strong flow in and out and superior extension on landing)
Jump preceded by steps Four Phases: (a) preparation including steps (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing Remark:	Minor problems in three or more phases of the jump or major problems in two or more phases of the jump as described above or - no steps into the jump - lesser rotation than required	Minor problems in two phases of the jump or major problem in one phase of the jump as described above in -2 or - longer break between steps and the jump (no rhythm maintained)	Minor problem in one phase of the jump as described in the GOE of jumps –1 or - only one entry step/move, or - slight break between steps/ moves and the jump (rhythm not completely maintained)	Completed jump with steps meeting minimum requirements (clear recognizable steps - rhythm maintained)	Good jump as described in the GOE of jumps (+1) with clear recognizable steps	Very good jump as described in the GOE of jumps (+2) with clear recognizable steps dges GOE must be in	Superior jump as described in the GOE of jumps (+3) with clear recognizable and difficult steps
Nemark.	for that element	and the value of the ju	ump will be changed to	the value of a jump w	<i>i</i> th revolution required		are minus grades

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Jump Combination Eight Phases: (a) preparation (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing (e) transition into second jump (f) take-off (g) rotation (flight) (h) landing of second jump	Minor problems in three or more phases or major problems in two or more phases or any of the individual errors noted in jumps –3 on both jumps - lesser rotation than required - no second jump	Minor problems in two phases or major problem in one phase of either jump as noted in jumps (-2) or turn/steps between the jumps with the use of the second foot or fall after the second jump	Minor problem in one phase of any jump as noted in jumps (-1) or hesitation or loss of flow between the jumps or turn on one foot in between the jumps	All jumps completed as noted in jumps (base value) with rhythmic timing between jumps	Good technique in the majority of phases of all jumps or very good in one jump and other jump(s) completed at base value with no major loss of flow between jumps	Superior in one jump and good in other or very good in all jump phases of both jumps with no major loss of speed throughout the two jumps	Superior quality technique and execution in all phases of both jumps with no loss of speed throughout the two jumps
Remark:	 If a skater has more revolutions in a jump than described (e.g. quadruple instead of a triple jump), the Judges GOE must be in the "minus grades" for that element and the value of the jump will be changed to the value of a jump with revolution required. If there is no second jump in a jump combination the Technical Specialists identifies the intended combination during the program. In case of a fall after the first jump in the jump combination a possible second jump - executed later - will not be called. 						

Determination of Grades of Execution ·	- Singles Skating	– Short Program
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Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Spins/ Spin	Spin contains two	Spin contains two	Spin contains one	All phases of the	Good technique	Good or very good	Superior technique
Combination	or more major	minor errors or	of the following	spin completed	and execution of	technique and	and execution in
	errors or one	one of the	minor errors:	satisfactorily ie.	at least three	execution of all	all phases of spin
Four Phases:	of the following	following major	- weak or	controlled entry	phases of spin	phases of spin,	eg. may
(a) preparation	individual errors:	errors:	inconsistent quality	and exit, distinct	described in the	may demonstrate	demonstrate
(b) ontry	- spin is	 poor positions; 	of positions;	positions,	base value	one superior	exceptional
(b) thiry	incomplete in more	- travels	 inconsistent 	balanced rotations		phase combined	positions, ability
(c) rotation	than two	moderately;	speed of rotation	done with	In the flying spin:	with good and/ or	to maintain speed
(a) exit	revolutions or	- missing between	(eg. slows down);	consistent speed;	- good basic spin	very good in other	or accelerate
	position not	one and two	 travels slightly; 		position in the air	phases and:	during spin and:
	executed;	revolution;	- short by one	- the spin meets	attained		
	- fall in any	- spinning on	revolution or less;	requirements	1 4 1 14	- executes more	- executes more
	segment	incorrect edges by	- touch down with	for number of	In the spin with	than required	than required
		reason of technical	free foot or hand	rotations/positions:	change of foot or	revolutions	revolutions
		inability;	(no weight	flying oning given	spin complination:	In the fluing oning	In the fluing oning
		- Severe touch	transier),	nying spins, six on	- balance in speed	In the hying spin.	Evention from the second
		foot with como	In the fluing onin	each 100t III Spin	and revolutions		
	In the flying spin -	weight transfer	slight rotation prior	compinations		attained in the air	attained in the air
	very poor or wrong	weight transfer.	to take-off or			- Good height and	- Exceptional in
	position in the air		nosition in the air			no travel after	height and no
	no visible iump	In the flving spin -	not fully attained			landing	travel after landing
		rotation prior to	not rany attained			lanang	traver alter landing
		take-off or position				In the spin with	In the spin with
		in the air not	In the spin with			change of foot or	change of foot or
	In the spin with	attained.	change of foot or			spin combination:	spin combination:
	change of foot or		spin combination			- Balance and	- Well balance in
	spin combination	In the spin with	-slight re-centering			more revolutions	positions and
	-completely	change of foot or	-less than required			executed than	revolutions
	re-centers or	spin combination	positions			required	executed, no travel
	travels	-moderate re-				 Well centers and 	at all and excellent
		centering				good speed	speed
		-less than required					
		positions					
Remark:	 If a skater falls in immediately following 	n the entrance of a spi owed by a simple spin	n, this attempt to a spi or a spinning moveme	in occupies a spot, no ent (for filling time purp	base value is given ar oose) this will receive r	nd any GOE will not co no value and will not or	unt and, if that fall is ccupy another spot.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
ElementStepSSequences / SequencesCSequencesnc- <t< th=""><th>-3 Step sequence contains three or more minor, two or more major or one of the following individual errors: - severe reduction of speed - incorrect pattern; - fall For Spiral Sequence - less than 40% on spiral position</th><th>-2 Step sequence contains two minor errors described in (-1) or one of the following major errors: - incomplete pattern; - major stumble - major retrogression For spiral sequence - - less than three spiral positions; - no change of foot - Spiral held in sustained position between 40% and 50% of time in spiral position - Reduction of speed visible -only 2 required positions</th><th>-1 Step sequence contains one of the following minor errors: - slow / lacks power or acceleration (walks); - small pattern; - stumble; - retrogression - jump of more than half a turn included - Spirals held for a minimum time; 50% spent in spiral position</th><th>Base Value Step sequence meets minimum requirements as per regulations and is executed satisfactorily ie - adequate pattern size and shape; - adequate energy and focus in execution; - moderate speed and flow; - adequate control and commitment of whole body to accuracy of steps - adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated</th><th>+1 Step sequence is good or very good on three aspects described in base value and - Speed maintained or accelerate during sequence - Spiral position held in more than 50% of the time - Good flexibility and body line</th><th>+2 Step sequence is good or very good in all of the features described in base value and - Clear acceleration in speed - Spiral position held in more than 60% of the time - Very good flexibility and body line</th><th>+3 Step sequence is superior in all phases of execution, highlights the skater's skating ability and is an integral part of the content of the program - Spiral position held in more than 70% of the time - Excellent flexibility and body line</th></t<>	-3 Step sequence contains three or more minor, two or more major or one of the following individual errors: - severe reduction of speed - incorrect pattern; - fall For Spiral Sequence - less than 40% on spiral position	-2 Step sequence contains two minor errors described in (-1) or one of the following major errors: - incomplete pattern; - major stumble - major retrogression For spiral sequence - - less than three spiral positions; - no change of foot - Spiral held in sustained position between 40% and 50% of time in spiral position - Reduction of speed visible -only 2 required positions	-1 Step sequence contains one of the following minor errors: - slow / lacks power or acceleration (walks); - small pattern; - stumble; - retrogression - jump of more than half a turn included - Spirals held for a minimum time; 50% spent in spiral position	Base Value Step sequence meets minimum requirements as per regulations and is executed satisfactorily ie - adequate pattern size and shape; - adequate energy and focus in execution; - moderate speed and flow; - adequate control and commitment of whole body to accuracy of steps - adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated	+1 Step sequence is good or very good on three aspects described in base value and - Speed maintained or accelerate during sequence - Spiral position held in more than 50% of the time - Good flexibility and body line	+2 Step sequence is good or very good in all of the features described in base value and - Clear acceleration in speed - Spiral position held in more than 60% of the time - Very good flexibility and body line	+3 Step sequence is superior in all phases of execution, highlights the skater's skating ability and is an integral part of the content of the program - Spiral position held in more than 70% of the time - Excellent flexibility and body line

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- 1. These charts describe the performance expectations for skaters for each element included in a well balanced program for Singles Free Skating. Marks are to be awarded by each judge for each element ranging from –3 through 0 to +3, depending on the quality of the skating of that element.
- 2. First a judge evaluates the quality of an element (e.g. +1), then deducts for errors (e.g. -3) to obtain the final grade (e.g. +1-3= -2)
- 3. If an element has one of the described errors (see charts), the GOE can not be higher than Base Value ("0")
- 4. The assessment of each element is done by phases each phase of the element (noted in the left margin for each element on the chart) contributes to the overall assessment.
- 5. When an error occurs in an element, the error must be penalized according to the severity of the error. When several errors occur on the same element, all must be considered until the minimum assessment of –3 is reached. Two errors on the same phase of an element is the same as one error on two different phases of the same element in terms of reductions.
- 6. The trimmed mean GOE awarded by the judges for each of the elements will be added to the total score for that skater.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Jumps Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing	Minor problems in three or more phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - fall; - severe change of edge on take-off of flip or lutz;	Minor problems in two phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the jump eg. - slightly under- rotated either on take-off or landing (1/4 turn or less); - moderate change of edge on take-off of flip or lutz; - touch with two hands; - step out of landing; - land on two feet	Minor problem in one phase of the jump eg. - touch down with one foot or one hand; - long entry phase (telegraphed); - short change of edge in take-off of flip or lutz; - weak landing (land on wrong edge or toe, etc.)	All jump phases completed satisfactorily; ie. average length preparation phase; adequate height and distance; organized/vertical air position, completed revolution; clean landing; sufficient flow in and out	Good technique on at least three phases of the jump described in base value or - a jump of base value with varied position in the air or delay in rotation	Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the jump	Superior in all jump phases (eg. unexpected or difficult entry phase, great height/distance, strong flow in and out and superior extension on landing)

Element -3 -2 -1 Base Value +1 +2	+3
Jump Minor problems in Minor problems in Minor problem in All jumps Good technique in Superior in one Super	or quality
Combination three or more two phases or one phase of any completed as the majority of jump and good techni	que and
or phases or major major problem in jump as noted in Noted in jumps phases of all in other or very executive	ion in all
Sequence problems in two or one phase of jumps (-1) or (base value) with jumps or very good good in all jump phase	s of all of the
more phases of any jump as noted hesitation or loss rhythmic timing in one jump and phases of all of the jumps	
R or 12 Phases (2) the combination / In jumps (-2)or of flow between between jumps other jump(s) jumps	
ar 2 immediate sequence or any of fall after the the jumps or turn completed at base	
or 3 jumps): the second or later one foot in value with no loss	
(a) preparation individual errors jump between the jumps of flow between	
(b) take-off noted above in -3 jumps	
(c) rotation (flight) on two or more	
(d) landing jumps	
(e) transition into	
second jump	
(f) take-off	
(a) rotation (flight)	
(h) landing of	
second jump	
(i) Transition into	
third imp	
(i) Tako off	
(j) Take-off	
(K) KOldion ((light)	
(ingnt) (i) Leading of	
(I) Landing of	
third jump	
Or for sequence	
Phases according	
to the number of	
jumps	
a) Preparation	
b) Take-off	
c) Rotation (flight)	
d) Landing	
e) Tranistion into	

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Spins/ Spin Combination Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) entry (c) rotation (d) exit	-3 Spin contains two or more major errors or one of the following individual errors: - spin is incomplete (missing more than three revolutions or position not executed); - fall in any segment In the flying spin - very poor position in the air In the spin with change of foot or spin combination - spin completely re-centers or travels	 Spin contains two minor errors or one of the following major errors: poor positions; travels moderately; short by more than one revolution; spinning on incorrect edges by reason of technical inability; touch down free foot with weight transfer. In the flying spin - rotation prior to take-off or position in the air not attained In the spin with change of foot or spin combination - moderate recentering	 Spin contains one of the following minor errors: weak or inconsistent quality of positions; inconsistent speed of rotation (eg. slows down); travels slightly; short by one revolution or less; touch down with free foot or hand (no weight transfer); In the flying spin - slight rotation prior to take-off or position in the air not fully attained In the spin with change of foot or spin combination - slight re-centering 	All phases of the spin completed satisfactorily ie. controlled entry and exit, distinct positions, balanced rotations done with consistent speed; - the spin meets requirements for number of rotations/positions: six in spins and flying spins; ten with one change of foot in spin combinations	Good technique and execution of at least three phases of spin described in the base value	Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of spin, may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/ or very good in other phases and - executes more than required revolutions	Superior technique and execution in all phases of spin eg. may demonstrate exceptional positions, ability to maintain speed or accelerate during spin and - executes more than required revolutions
Remark:	 If a skater falls i immediately foll 	n the entrance of a spi owed by a simple spin	in, this attempt to a sp or a spinning moveme	in occupies a spot, no ent (for filling time purp	base value is given ar bose) this will receive r	nd any GOE will not co no value and will not o	ount and, if that fall is ccupy another spot.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Step/Spiral Step	Step sequence	Step sequence	Step sequence	Step sequence	Step sequence is	Step sequence is	Step sequence is
Sequences	contains three or	contains two minor	contains one of the	meets minimum	good or very good	good or very good	superior in all
•	more minor, two or	errors described	following minor	requirements as	on three aspects	in all of the	phases of
	more major or one	in (-1) or one of	errors:	per regulations	described in base	features described	execution,
	of the following	the following major	- slow / lacks	and is executed	value	in base value	highlights the
	individual	errors:	power or	satisfactorily ie			skater's skating
	errors:	 incomplete 	acceleration	 adequate pattern 			ability and is an
	 very few steps 	pattern;	(walks);	size and shape;			integral part of the
	included - looks	 part consisting of 	 small pattern; 	 adequate energy 			content of the
	like skaters	crossovers, not	- stumble;	and focus in			program
	just save energy	steps;		execution;			
	for later elements;	 for spirals – only 		 moderate speed 			
	 incorrect pattern; 	one spiral position		and flow;			
	-fall	included		 adequate control 			
				and commitment of			
				whole body to			
				accuracy of steps			
				 adequate 			
				extension			
				and flexibility			
				demonstrated			

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- 2. First a judge evaluates the quality of an element (e.g. +1), then deducts for errors (e.g. -3) to obtain the final grade (e.g. +1-3= -2)
- 3. If an element has one of the described errors (see charts), the GOE can not be higher than Base Value ("0")
- 4. The assessment of each element is done by phases each phase of the element (noted in the left margin for each element on the chart) contributes to the overall assessment.
- 5. When an error occurs in an element, the error must be penalized according to the severity of the error. When several errors occur on the same element, all must be considered until the minimum assessment of –3 is reached. Two errors on the same phase of an element is the same as one error on two different phases of the same element in terms of reductions.
- 6. The trimmed mean GOE awarded by the judges for each of the elements will be added to the total score for that skater.
- 7. Difficult elements, which are linked together without a visible interruption, will be reflected in the GOE. The judges will grant for the second element one grade higher.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Twist Lift (Split) Five Phases: (a) preparation (b) release (c) flight (d) catch (e) exit	Minor problems in three or more twist phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: -No speed at take off, completely stopped; -Very poor height and/or distance; -Very poor landing; -Fall	Minor problems in two twist phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the lift eg: -Poor speed at take-off; -Poor height and/or distance; - Incorrect hold on take off; -Lady is not caught at the waist; -Lady is not caught in the air; -Lady collapses on partner; -Lady lands on two feet	Minor problem in one phase of the twist eg: -Less than adequate speed at take off by man; -Scratching on toe picks or skidding; - No toe-pick on take off; -Less than adequate height and/or distance; -Awkward catch; -Less than adequate speed on landing; -Man exits on two feet; -Lady touches down with the free foot	All twist phases completed satisfactorily; ie. correct take off position; man's position correct at release; adequate ice coverage; organized, correct and aesthetically pleasing air positionss; completed revolutions; adequate height and distance; correct catch of lady; solid landing; sufficient flow in and out	Good technique on at least four phases of the twist described in base value	Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the twist	Superior in all twist phases (eg. great speed and flow, exceptional height, split and catch, and strong extension on landing) - Completely effortless from beginning to end
Remark:	A good split pos lift with a very get	ition of the Lady (more cod split.	e than 90 degree angle	e) will increase the GO	E by 1 grade. GOE +3	can be awarded only	for a superior twist

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Solo Jumps Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing	One or both skaters demonstrate minor problems in three or more phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - fall; - severe change of edge on take-off of flip or lutz; - partners' timing and pattern completely out of synchronization	One or both skaters demonstrate minor problems in two phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the jump eg. - slightly under- rotated either on take-off or landing (1/4 turn or less); - moderate change of edge on take-off of flip or lutz; - touch with two hands; - step out of landing; - land on two feet; - partners far apart; - partners' timing and pattern moderately out of synchronization	One or both skaters demonstrate minor problem in one phase of the jump eg. - touch down with one foot or one hand; - long preparation phase (slightly telegraphed); - short change of edge in take-off of flip or lutz; - weak landing (land on wrong edge or toe, etc.); - some separation of partners; - partners' timing and pattern slightly out of synchronization	All jump phases completed satisfactorily by both skaters; ie. average length preparation phase; adequate height and distance; organized/ vertical air position, completed revolution; clean landing; sufficient flow in and out; partners synchronized with each other	Both skaters have good technique on at least three phases of the jump described in base value or - a jump of base value with varied position in the air or delay in rotation - both skaters good (+1) or one skater good (+1) and one very good (+2)	Both skaters have good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the jump - both skaters very good (+2)	Both skaters are superior in all jump phases (eg. Unexpected or difficult entry phase, great height/distance, strong flow in and out and superior extension on landing)

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Throw Jump Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) release (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing	-3 Skaters demonstrate minor problems in three or more phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - Very poor speed; - Man's position very poor at release; - Very poor height and/or distance;	-2 Skaters demonstrate minor problems in two phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the throw jump eg. -Poor speed; - touch with 2 hands; - step out of landing; - land on 2 feet; -Man's position poor at release; -Poor height and/ or distance;	-1 Skaters demonstrate minor problem in one phase of the throw jump eg. -Less than adequate speed; -Man's position less than adequate at release; -Less than adequate height and/or distance; -Touch down on landing by 1 hand or free foot; - weak landing (land on wrong	Base Value All throw jump phases completed satisfactorily by both skaters; ie. Average length preparation phase; adequate speed at take-off; man's position adequate at release; adequate height and distance; organized/ vertical air position, completed revolutions; correct position of man after the throw;	+1 Good technique on at least three phases of the throw jump described in base value	+2 Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the throw jump Solid landing of the lady on a stronge edge.	+3 Superior in all throw jump phases (eg. Difficult entry phase, great speed, height, and distance, strong flow in and out and superior extension on landing) -Outstanding in all technical aspects -Completely effortless from beginning to end
	release; - Very poor height and/or distance; - Fall	poor at release; -Poor height and/ or distance; - slightly under- rotated on take-off or landing - 1/4 turn or less	or free foot; - weak landing (land on wrong edge or toe, etc.)	revolutions; correct position of man after the throw; clean landing; sufficient flow in and out			

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Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Solo Spin Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) entry (c) rotation (d) exit	Spin of one or both skaters contains three minor or two major errors or one of the following individual errors: - spin is incomplete (missing more than two revolutions or intended position not executed); - spin completely re-centers or travels; - fall in any segment; -partners totally out of synch with each other throughout spin and exit In the flying spin - very poor or wrong position in the air.	Spin of one or both skaters contains two minor errors or one of the following major errors: - poor positions; - travels or re- centers moderately; - short by more than one but less than two revolution; - spinning on incorrect edges by reason of technical inability; - touch down free foot with weight transfer; - partners poorly synchronized with each other; - spin exits are not at same time In the flying spin - rotation prior to take-off or position in the air not attained.	Spin of one or both skaters contains one of the following minor errors: - weak or inconsistent quality of positions; - inconsistent speed of rotation (eg. slows down); - travels slightly; - short by one revolution or less; - touch down with free foot or hand (no weight transfer); - partners not synchronized with each other on change of foot; - spin exits not totally together In the flying spin - slight rotation prior to take-off or position in the air not fully attained	All phases of the spin completed satisfactorily ie. controlled entry and exit, distinct positions, balanced rotation done with consistent speed; correctly synchronized and exited at same time - the spin meets requirements: five revolutions on each foot with a total of not less than 10 revolutions; one change of foot; and at least one change of position	Spin of both skaters has good technique, speed and execution of at least three phases of spin described in the base value	Spin of both skaters has good or very good technique, speed and execution of all phases of spin, may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/ or very good in other phases and - positions almost identical between partners - execute more than required revolutions	Spin of both skaters has superior technique, speed and execution in all phases of spin eg. may demonstrate exceptional positions, ability to maintain or increase acceleration during spin and: - identical excellent positions by both partners - execute more than required revolutions - equal revolutions on each foot
Nemark.	immediately follo	owed by a simple spin	or a spinning moveme	ent (for filling time purp	ose) this will receive r	no value and will not of	ccupy another spot.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Pair Spin Combination Five Phases: (a) preparation (b) entry (c) rotation (d) transition (e) exit	Pair Spin combination contains two major errors or one of the following individual errors: - skaters do not contact or do not re-contact after transition to new position/foot; - very poor positions; - very slow rotation; - spin completely re-centers or travels; -spin is incomplete (missing more than two revolutions); - fall	Pair Spin combination contains two minor errors or one of the following major errors: -poor initial contact or skaters collide (hit each other); -poor positions; -slow rotation or slow during transition to new position/foot; -short by more than one revolution but less than two - change of foot by both partners not on the same time - less than required positions by both partners	Pair Spin combination contains one of the following minor errors: - weak initial contact or slow to get started; - awkward positions; - weak or inconsistent quality of positions; - inconsistent speed of rotation; - short by one revolution or less - change of foot by both partners not on the same time - less than required positions by one partner	All phases of the pair spin combination completed satisfactorily ie. controlled entry and exit, distinct positions, balanced rotation done with consistent speed; correctly synchronized and exited correctly - the Pair Spin Combination meets the requirements: at least eight revolutions in total; one change of foot (same time by both partners); and at least one change of position for each partner	Good technique and execution of at least three phases of the pair spin combination described in base value	Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of the pair spin combination - may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/or very good in the other phases and: - more than the required revolutions	Superior technique and execution in all phases of the pair spin combination and: - may demonstrate the ability to accelerate during the spin, plus: - more than the required revolutions
	immediately follo	owed by a simple spin	or a spinning moveme	ent (for filling time purp	oose) this will receive r	no value and will not or	ccupy another spot.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Step	Step sequence	Step sequence	Step sequence	Step sequence	Good technique	Good or very good	Step sequence is
Sequences	contains three	contains two minor	contains one of the	meets minimum	and execution of at	technique and	superior in all
•	minor, two major	errors described	following minor	requirements as	least three phases	execution of all	phases of
	or one of the	in (-1) or one of	errors:	per regulations	of the step	phases of the step	execution,
	following individual	the following major	 slow / lacks 	and is executed	sequence	sequence and	highlights the
	errors:	errors:	power or	satisfactorily ie	described in base	clear acceleration	skaters' skating
	 incorrect pattern; 	 incomplete 	acceleration	 adequate pattern 	value and speed	in speed	ability and is an
	 severe reduction 	pattern;	(walks);	size and shape	maintained or		integral part of the
	of speed	 jump of more 	 small pattern; 	 adequate energy 	accelerate during		content of the
	- fall	than half a turn	 minor stumble; 	and focus in	sequence		program
		included;	- minor	execution;			
		 major stumble; 	retrogression	 moderate speed 			
		- major		and flow;			
		retrogression		 control and 			
		 visible reduction 		commitment of			
		of speed		whole body to			
				accuracy of steps;			
				 adequate 			
				extension			
				and flexibility			
				demonstrated;			
				 adequate unison 			

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Spiral Step Sequence	Spiral Step sequence contains three minor, two major or one of the following individual errors: - looks like skaters just save energy for later elements; - incorrect pattern; - severe reduction of speed - fall	Spiral Step sequence contains two minor errors described in (-1) or one of the following major errors: - incomplete pattern; - less than two spiral positions or missing change of foot - unequal performance of spirals between partners - major stumble - reduction of speed visible - only 2 required positions by each partner	Spiral Step sequence contains one of the following minor errors: - slow / lacks power or acceleration (walks); - small pattern; - stumble; - spiral position not maintained by at least one partner throughout sequence	Spiral Step sequence meets minimum requirements as per regulations and is executed satisfactorily ie - adequate pattern size and shape - adequate energy and focus in execution; - moderate speed and flow; - adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated; - adequate unison	Good technique and execution of at least three phases of the spiral step sequence described in base value - good flexibility and body line in spiral positions - speed maintained or accelerate during sequence	Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of the spiral step sequence - very good flexibility and body line in spiral positions - clear acceleration in speed	Spiral step sequence is superior in all phases of execution, highlights the skaters' skating ability and is an integral part of the content of the program - excellent flexibility and body line in spiral positions

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Death Spirals Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) spiral edge (c) pivot (d) exit	-3 Death spiral contains three or more minor, two or more major or one of the following individual errors: - very poor positions (eg no arch); - lady rotates on boot; - less than 3/4 revolution; - no pivot position; - very poor exit;	-2 Death spiral contains two minor errors described in (-1) or one of the following major errors: - poor positions (eg poor arch); - slightly less than one revolution; - lady's body touches ice; - lady's edge quality poor; - poor exit	-1 Death spiral contains one of the following minor errors: - weak positions (eg weak arch); - lady's edge quality weak; - exit weak - high pivot position	Base Value Death spiral meets minimum requirements as per regulations and is executed satisfactorily - adequate energy and focus in execution; - moderate speed and flow; - adequate control; - adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated;	+1 Good technique and execution of at least three phases of the death spiral described in base value -good speed and flow	+2 Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of the death spiral and: - may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/or very good in the other phases and: - more than the required revolutions	+3 Death Spiral is superior in all phases of execution, highlights the skaters' skating ability and is completely effortless from beginning to end - superior speed and flow
	 less than 3/4 revolution; no pivot position; very poor exit; fall 	touches ice; - lady's edge quality poor; - poor exit - pivot position not maintained - noticeable loss of speed during death spiral		 adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated; correct pivot – at least one revolution by each partner; lady's position and edge quality adequate; controlled exit 		 more than the required revolutions very good speed and flow 	and flow

INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR JUDGES

The following guidelines are provided to judges when using these GOE Charts:

- 1. These charts describe the performance expectations for skaters for each element included in a well balanced program for Pairs Free Skating. Marks are to be awarded by each judge for each element ranging from –3 through 0 to +3, depending on the quality of the skating of that element.
- 2. First a judge evaluates the quality of an element (e.g. +1), then deducts for errors (e.g. -3) to obtain the final grade (e.g. +1-3= -2)
- 3. If an element has one of the described errors (see charts), the GOE can not be higher than Base Value ("0")
- 4. The assessment of each element is done by phases each phase of the element (noted in the left margin for each element on the chart) contributes to the overall assessment.
- 5. When an error occurs in an element, the error must be penalized according to the severity of the error. When several errors occur on the same element, all must be considered until the minimum assessment of –3 is reached. Two errors on the same phase of an element is the same as one error on two different phases of the same element in terms of reductions.
- 6. The trimmed mean GOE awarded by the judges for each of the elements will be added to the total score for that skater.
- 7. Difficult elements, which are linked together without a visible interruption, will be reflected in the GOE. The judges will grant for the second element one grade higher.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Lifts Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) lift action (c) flight (d) exit	-3 Minor problems in three or more lift phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - Serious problems or obvious struggling in the lifting process; - Very poor positions in the air; - Very poor, unsteady turns by	-2 Minor problems in two lift phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the lift eg: - Poor positions in the air; - Poor or scraped turns by man; - Lady collapses on partner; - Poor landing with complete loss of speed; - Lady starts or lands on two feet	-1 Minor problem in one phase of the lift eg: - Weak positions in the air or on landing; - Weak turns by man; - Reduced speed on landing; - Man exits on two feet; - Touch down with free foot - bumping on take- off or landing	Base Value All lift phases completed satisfactorily; ie. correct take off position; adequate ice coverage; organized, correct and aesthetically pleasing air positions; completed revolutions; solid landing; adequate speed and rhythm maintained throughout the lift; sufficient flow in and out	+1 Good technique on at least three phases of the lift described in base value	+2 Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the lift	+3 Superior in all lift phases (eg. great speed and flow, beautiful and dynamic air positions; strong timing in and out and strong extension on landing) - Completely effortless from beginning to end
	 Very poor positions in the air; Very poor, unsteady turns by man; Less than required revolutions (two of the lady, one of the man); Fall 	speed; - Lady starts or lands on two feet	- bumping on take- off or landing	maintained throughout the lift; sufficient flow in and out			

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Twist Lift Five Phases: (a) preparation (b) release (c) flight (d) catch (e) exit	Minor problems in three or more twist phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: -No speed at take off, completely stopped; -Very poor height and/or distance; -Very poor landing; -Fall	Minor problems in two twist phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the lift eg: -Poor speed at take-off; -Poor height and/or distance; - Incorrect hold on take off; -Lady is not caught at the waist; -Lady is not caught in the air; -Lady collapses on partner; -Lady lands on two feet	Minor problem in one phase of the twist eg: -Less than adequate speed at take off by man; -Scratching on toe picks or skidding; - No toe-pick on take off; -Less than adequate height and/or distance; -Awkward catch; -Less than adequate speed on landing; -Man exits on two feet; -Lady touches down with the free foot	All twist phases completed satisfactorily; ie. correct take off position; man's position correct at release; adequate ice coverage; organized, correct and aesthetically pleasing air positions; completed revolutions; adequate height and distance; correct catch of lady; solid landing; sufficient flow in and out	Good technique on at least four phases of the twist described in base value	Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the twist	Superior in all twist phases (eg. great speed and flow, exceptional height, and catch, and strong extension on landing) - Completely effortless from beginning to end

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Solo Jumps Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing	-3 One or both skaters demonstrate minor problems in three or more phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - fall;	-2 One or both skaters demonstrate minor problems in two phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the jump eg. - slightly under- rotated either on take-off or landing (1/4 turn or less); - moderate change	-1 One or both skaters demonstrate minor problem in one phase of the jump eg. - touch down with one foot or one hand; - long entry phase (telegraphed); - short change of edge in take-off of flip or lutz; wook landing	Base Value All jump phases completed satisfactorily by both skaters; ie. average length preparation phase; adequate height and distance; organized/ vertical air position, completed revolution; clean landing; sufficient flow in and out; nathere	+1 Both skaters have good technique on at least three phases of the jump described in base value or - a jump of base value with varied position in the air or delay in rotation - both skaters good (+1) or one	+2 Both skaters have good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the jump - both skaters very good (+2) or one skater good (+1) and one excellent (+3)	+3 Both skaters are superior in all jump phases (eg. Unexpected or difficult entry phase, great height/distance, strong flow in and out and superior extension on landing)
	flip or lutz; - partners' timing completely out of synchronization	 touch with two hands; step out of landing; land on two feet; partners far apart; partners' timing moderately out of synchronization 	edge or toe, etc.); - some separation of partners; - partners' timing slightly out of synchronization	each other	(+2)		

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Jump Combination or Sequence Eight Phases: (a) preparation	-3 Minor problems in three or more phases or major problems in two or more phases of the combination / sequence or any of the	-2 Minor problems in two phases or major problem in one phase of any jump as noted in jumps (-2) or fall after the second jump by one or	-1 Minor problem in one phase of any jump as noted in jumps (-1) or hesitation or loss of flow between the jumps by one or both partners	Base Value All jumps completed as Noted in jumps (Base Value) with rhythmic timing between	+1 Both skaters have good technique in the majority of phases of all jumps or very good in one jump and other jump(s) completed at base	+2 Both skaters have superior in one jump and good in other or very good in all jump phases of all of the jumps	+3 Both skaters superior quality technique and execution in all phases of all of the jumps
 (b) take-off (c) rotation (flight) (d) landing (e) transition into second jump (f) take-off (g) rotation (flight) (h) landing of second jump etc. 	individual errors noted above in –3 on two or more jumps by one or both partners	 Jump by one or both partners - in a jump sequence step out of one or both partner on the final jump 	or both partners		value with no loss of flow		

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Throw Jump Four Phases: (e) preparation (f) release (g) rotation (flight) (a) landing	Skaters demonstrate minor problems in three or more phases described in (-1) or major problems in two or more phases described in (-2) or any of the following individual errors: - Very poor speed; - Man's position very poor at release; - Very poor height and/or distance; - Fall	Skaters demonstrate minor problems in two phases described in (- 1) or major problem in one phase of the throw jump eg. -Poor speed; - touch with 2 hands; - step out of landing; - land on 2 feet; -Man's position poor at release; -Poor height and/ or distance; - slightly under- rotated on take-off or landing - 1/4 turn or less	Skaters demonstrate minor problem in one phase of the throw jump eg. -Less than adequate speed; -Man's position less than adequate at release; -Less than adequate height and/or distance; -Touch down on landing by 1 hand or free foot; - weak landing (land on wrong edge or toe, etc.)	All throw jump phases completed satisfactorily by both skaters; ie. Average length preparation phase; adequate speed at take-off; man's position adequate at release; adequate height and distance; organized/ vertical air position, completed revolutions; correct position of man after the throw; clean landing; sufficient flow in and out	Good technique on at least three phases of the throw jump described in base value	Good or very good technique and execution in all phases of the throw jump	Superior in all throw jump phases (eg. Difficult entry phase, great speed, height, and distance, strong flow in and out and superior extension on landing) -Outstanding in all technical aspects -Completely effortless from beginning to end

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Solo Spin Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) entry (c) rotation (d) exit	Spin of one or both skaters contains three minor or two major errors or one of the following individual errors: - spin is incomplete (missing more than three revolutions or intended position not executed); - whole spin travels; - fall in any segment; -partners totally out of synch with each other throughout spin and exit In the flying spin - wrong position in the air. In the solo combination spin - -Synch of change of foot- totally off - spin completely re-centers	Spin of one or both skaters contains two minor errors or one of the following major errors: - poor positions; - spin travels moderately; - short by more than one revolution; - spinning on incorrect edges by reason of technical inability; - touch down free foot with weight transfer; - partners poorly synchronized with each other; - spin exits are not at same time In the flying spin - rotation prior to take-off or position in the air not attained. In the solo combination spin - -Synch of change of foot- poor - spin re-centers moderately	Spin of one or both skaters contains one of the following minor errors: - weak or inconsistent quality of positions; - inconsistent speed of rotation (eg. slows down); - spin travels slightly; - short by one revolution or less; - touch down with free foot or hand (no weight transfer); - partners not synchronized with each other; - spin exits not totally together In the flying spin - slight rotation prior to take-off or position in the air not fully attained In the solo combination spin - -Synch of change of foot less than adequate	All phases of the spin completed satisfactorily ie. controlled entry and exit, distinct positions, balanced rotation done with consistent speed; well synchronized and exited at same time - the spin meets requirements: six revolutions in solo spins	Spin of both skaters has good technique and execution of at least three phases of spin described in the base value	Spin of both skaters has good or very good technique and execution of all phases of spin, may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/ or very good in other phases and: - positions almost identical between partners - execute more than required revolutions In the solo combination spin - -Synch of change of foot- excellent	Spin of both skaters has superior technique and execution in all phases of spin eg. may demonstrate exceptional positions, ability to maintain or increase acceleration during spin and: - identical excellent positions by both partners - execute more than required revolutions - equal rotations on each foot for combination spins
Remark:	If a skater falls i immediately foll	n the entrance of a sp owed by a simple spin	in, this attempt to a spi or a spinning moveme	in occupies a spot, no ent (for filling time purp	base value is given ar bose) this will receive r	nd any GOE will not co no value and will not o	ount and, if that fall is ccupy another spot.

Determination	of Grade	s of Execution	n – Pair Skating	J – Free Skating
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Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Pair Spin / Spin Combination Five Phases: (a) preparation (b) entry (c) rotation (d) transition (e) exit	Pair Spin contains two major errors or one of the following individual errors: - skaters do not contact or do not re-contact after transition to new position/foot; - very poor positions; - very slow rotation; - spin completely re-centers or travels; -spin is incomplete (missing more than three revolutions); - fall -no change of foot	Pair Spin contains two minor errors or one of the following major errors: -poor initial contact or skaters collide (or hit each other); -poor positions; -slow rotation or slow during transition to new position/foot; -short by more than one revolution -change of foot by only one partner	Pair Spin contains one of the following minor errors: - weak initial contact or slow to get started; - awkward positions; - weak or inconsistent quality of positions; - inconsistent speed of rotation; - short by one revolution or less	All phases of the pair spin completed satisfactorily ie. controlled entry and exit, distinct positions, balanced rotation done with consistent speed; correctly synchronized and exited correctly - the Pair Spin Combination meets the requirements: -at least eight revolutions in total -at least one change of foot by both partners	Good technique and execution of at least three phases of the pair spin described in base value	Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of the pair spin. - may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/or very good in the other phases and: - more than the required revolutions	Superior technique and execution in all phases of the pair spin and: - may demonstrate the ability to accelerate during the spin, plus - more than the required revolutions
Remark:	 If a skater falls in immediately follo 	n the entrance of a spi owed by a simple spin	in, this attempt to a sp or a spinning moveme	in occupies a spot, no ent (for filling time purp	base value is given ar bose) this will receive r	id any GOE will not co to value and will not or	ount and, if that fall is ccupy another spot.

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Step/ Spiral Step Sequences	-3 Step sequence contains three minor, two major or one of the following individual errors: - very few steps included - looks like skaters just save energy for later elements;	-2 Step sequence contains two minor errors described in (-1) or one of the following major errors: - incomplete pattern; - part consisting of crossovers, not steps	-1 Step sequence contains one of the following minor errors: - slow / lacks power or acceleration (walks); - small pattern; - stumble;	Base Value Step sequence meets minimum requirements as per regulations and is executed satisfactorily ie - adequate pattern size and shape; - adequate energy and focus in execution;	+1 Good technique and execution of at least three phases of the step sequence described in base value	+2 Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of the step sequence	+3 Step sequence is superior in all phases of execution, highlights the skaters' skating ability and is an integral part of the content of the program
	- fall			and flow; - control and commitment of whole body to accuracy of steps; - adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated; - adequate unison			

Element	-3	-2	-1	Base Value	+1	+2	+3
Element Death Spirals Four Phases: (a) preparation (b) spiral edge (c) pivot (d) exit	-3 Death spiral contains three minor, two major or one of the following individual errors: - very poor positions (eg no arch); - lady rotates on boot; - less than 3/4 revolution; - no pivot position; - very poor exit; - fall	-2 Death spiral contains two minor errors described in (-1) or one of the following major errors: - poor positions (eg poor arch); - slightly less than one revolution; - error on pivot; - lady's body touches ice; - lady's edge quality poor; - poor exit	-1 Death spiral contains one of the following minor errors: - weak positions (eg weak arch); - lady's edge quality weak; - exit weak	Base Value Death spiral meets minimum requirements as per regulations and is executed satisfactorily - adequate energy and focus in execution; - moderate speed and flow; - adequate control; - adequate control; - adequate extension and flexibility demonstrated; - correct pivot – at least one revolution by each partner; - lady's position and edge quality adequate; - controlled exit	+1 Good technique and execution of at least three phases of the death spiral described in base value	+2 Good or very good technique and execution of all phases of the death spiral and: - may demonstrate one superior phase combined with good and/or very good in the other phases and: - more than the required revolutions	+3 Death Spiral is superior in all phases of execution, highlights the skaters' skating ability and is completely effortless from beginning to end

Skating Skills

Definition Overall skating quality: edge control and flow over the ice surface demonstrated by a command of the skating vocabulary (edges, steps, turns etc), the clarity of technique and the use of effortless power to accelerate and vary speed.

Criteria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Very Poor	Poor	Weak	FAIR	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD	SUPERIOR	OUT- STANDING
	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	>95%

- Balance, rhythmic knee action, and precision of foot placement
- Flow and effortless glide
- Cleanness and sureness of deep edges, steps, and turns
- **Power/energy and acceleration**
- Mastery of multi directional skating
- Mastery of one foot skating

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• Equal mastery of technique by both partners shown in unison

Transitions, Linking Footwork & Movement

Definition The varied and/or intricate footwork, positions, movements, and holds that link all elements. In singles, pairs, synchronized skating, this also includes the entrances and exits of technical elements

Criteria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Very Poor	Poor	Weak	FAIR	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD	SUPERIOR	OUT- STANDING
	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	>95%
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Performance / Execution

<u>Performance:</u> is the involvement of the skater/couple/teams physically, emotionally, and intellectually as they translate the intent of the music and choreography.

Definition Execution: is the quality of movement and precision in delivery. This includes harmony of movement in Pair skating and Ice Dancing.

Criteria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Very Poor	Poor	Weak	FAIR	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD	SUPERIOR	OUT- STANDING
	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	>95%

- Physical, emotional, and intellectual involvement
- Carriage

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- Style and individuality/personality
- Clarity of movement
- Variety and contrast
- **Projection**
- Unison and "oneness" (Pair Skating)
- Balance in performance (Pair Skating)
- Spatial awareness between partners management of the distance between partners and management of changes of Skating)

Choreography / Composition

Definition An intentional, developed, and/or original arrangement of all types of movements according to the principles of proportion, unity, space, pattern, structure, and phrasing.

Criteria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Very Poor	Poor	Weak	FAIR	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD	SUPERIOR	OUT- STANDING
	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	>95%

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- Purpose (idea, concept, vision)
- **Proportion (equal weight of parts)**
- Unity (purposeful threading)
- Utilization of personal and public space
- Pattern and ice coverage
- Phrasing and form (movements and parts structured to match the phrasing
 - of the music)
- Originality of purpose, movement, and design
- **Shared responsibility in achieving purpose (for Pair Skating)**

Interpretation

Definition The personal and creative translation of the music to movement on ice.

Criteria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Very Poor	Poor	Weak	FAIR	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD	SUPERIOR	OUT- STANDING
	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	>95%
C		• Eff	ortless me	ovement i	in time to	the musi	c (timing))		
R		• Exp	oression o	of the mus	sic's style	, characte	er and rh	ythm		
Ι		• Use	of "fines	se''* to re	eflect the	nuances (of the mu	sic		
T		• Rel	ationship ir Skatin	between	the partr	ners refle	cting the	character	· of the m	usic
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R		*Fines Nuar	nces are t	he person	al artisti	c ways of	ringing s	ubtle var	es. iations	
		to the comp	e intensity poser and	y, tempo, /or music	and dyna zians.	amics of t	he music	made by	the	
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Component Overview

	Mark	 CHARACTERISTICS OF SKATING SKILLS Balance and rhythmic knee action and precision of foot placement Flow and effortless glide Cleanness and sureness of deep edges, steps and turns Power/energy and acceleraton Mastery of multi directional skating Mastery of one foot skating Pair Skating – equal mastery of technique by both partners shown in unison 	CHARACTERISTICS OF TECHNICAL TRANSITIONS • Variey • Difficulty • Intracacy • Quality (including unison in Pair Skating) • Balance of workload between partner (Pair Skating)	CHARACTERISTICS OF PERFORMANCE/EXECUTION • Physical, emotion, and intellectual involvement • Carriage • Style and individuality/personality • Clarity of movement • Variety and contrast • Projection • Unison and "oneness' (Pair Skating) • Balance in performance (Pair skating) • Spatial awareness between partners – management of the distance between partners and management of changes of hold (Pair skating)	 CHARACTERISTICS OF CHOREOGRAPHY/ COMPOSITION Purpose (idea, concept, vision) Proportion (equal weight of parts) Unity (purposeful threading) Utilization of personal and public space Pattern and ice coverage Pattern and ice coverage Phrasing and form (movements and parts structured to match the phrasing of the music) Originality of purpose, movement and design Shared responsibility of achieving purpose (Pair Skating) CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERPRETATION/TIMING Effortless movement in time to the music (timing) Expression of the music's style, character and rhythm Use of finesse to reflect the nuances of the music Relationship between the partners reflecting the character of the music (Pair Skating)
Outstanding	10				
Superior	9				
Very Good	8			Approximately 75%	, 0
Good	7			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-
Above Average	6				
Average	5	Approximately 50%			
Fair	4				
Weak	3			Approximately 25%	, 0
Poor	2				
Very Poor	1				