

Clarification Sheet for Tests

Intermediate Test

Because the double toe loop and the double toe Walley are very similar in nature, either of these jumps will satisfy the requirement for double toe for the test program.

Moves in the field tests

When a serious error is present on the test, the test can not pass without a reskate.

Serious errors on a moves test are:

- a fall
- a touchdown of the hand or free foot needed to save the skater from falling
- an omission of an element

Mandatory errors on a moves test require a deduction 0.1 and do not require a reskate of an element in order to pass the test. The mandatory errors on a moves test are:

- exceeding the seven (7) introductory steps
- not starting from a standing, stationary position (unless specified otherwise in TR 25.00)

Tests that have a serious error following a reskate may NOT be marked as passing.

Free Skate Tests

Serious errors on Free Skating tests are:

- a fall
- incomplete rotation of a jump, either on the landing or take-off (cheated jumps)
- two footed landing on jumps
- a touchdown of the hand or free foot needed to save the skater from falling
- a blatant change of edge before a jump (such as turning a lutz into a flip)
- when a combination jump is required, a turn between the two jumps of the combination
- failure to hold spins for the required revolutions or to attain the required position(s) in the spin(s)
- omission of a required element

Quality errors on a Free skating test are:

- incidental touchdown of the free foot
- improper change of edge shortly before the take-off of a required jump (very short change of edge)
- turns after the landing of a required jump or similar difficulties in holding the landing
- traveling in spins
- spins short less than one revolution

Tests that have a serious error following a reskate may NOT be marked as passing.

However, if only one serious error is present after the test has been skated, judges may have the option of using the second mark (presentation) mark, if warranted, to pass the test or of requesting a reskate.

Reminder- if three (3) or more elements have serious errors during a test, including spins with insufficient revolutions, the skater may not have a reskate.

Reskate during testing

It has been brought to our attention that judges are not handling the reskate rule correctly at some test sessions. When a skater is asked to reskate a free skating element(s) or field move during a test, they are given the option of warming it up. The judges DO NOT judge the warm up. The judge in charge must communicate with the skater and make it clear when the skater is ready to reskate the element(s) or field move and, only then, will the judges mark the element(s) or field move. If the skater chooses not to warm up the element(s) or field move but wants to go right ahead and do it, then that will be his/her reskate and the skater will not be given another try if he/she is not successful.

Once the skater indicates that he or she is ready to test, the judges will judge the re-skate at that point. The skater will receive only one opportunity to re-skate the element in question.

New rules from report of action Governing Council - May 2003

Juvenile Singles Free Skating Competition Programs

DID NOT PASS to limit the number of double jumps that may be repeated at the Juvenile level.

Added to the well-balanced program rules:

SSR 4.14

Adult Bronze – A well-balanced Adult Bronze Free skate program should contain:

A. Jumps: The number of single-revolution jumps is not limited. These jumps may be repeated as individual jumps and in jump combinations and sequences. No Axel or double jumps are permitted.

B. Jump combinations: At least one jump combination or sequence of jumps (number of jumps to be included is free), but no more than three in total.

C. Spins: A minimum of two spins of a different nature (i.e., scratch, sit, back spin). These required spins must have a minimum of three (3) revolutions.

D. Steps: One step (i.e., circular, straight line, serpentine) or spiral sequence utilizing at least one-half(1/2) of the ice surface.

SSR 4.15

Adult Silver – A well-balanced Adult Silver Free skate program should contain:

A. Jumps: The number of single jumps, including the Axel, is not limited. These jumps may be repeated as individual jumps and in jump combinations and sequences. No double jumps are permitted.

B. Jump Combination: At least one jump combination or sequence of jumps (number of jumps to be included is free), but no more than three in total.

C. Spins: A minimum of three spins of a different nature (i.e., scratch, sit, combination). These required spins must have a minimum of three (3) revolutions, and if a spin combination is included it must have a minimum of three (3) revolutions on each foot.

D. Steps: One step (i.e., circular, straight line, serpentine) or spiral sequence utilizing at least one-half (1/2) of the ice surface.

SSR 4.16

Adult Gold – A well-balanced Adult Gold Free skate program should contain:

A. Jumps: The number of single and double jumps is not limited. These jumps may be repeated as individual jumps and in jump combinations and sequences. No triple jumps are permitted.

B. Jump Combination: At least one jump combination or sequence of jumps (number of jumps to be included is free), but no more than three in total.

C. Spins: A minimum of three spins of a different nature (i.e., scratch, sit, flying), one of which must be a spin combination. These required spins must have a minimum of four (4) revolutions, and the spin combination must have a minimum of four (4) revolutions on each foot.

D. Steps: One step (i.e., circular, straight line, serpentine) or spiral sequence utilizing the full ice surface.

SSR 4.17

Masters Novice – A well-balanced Masters Novice Free skate program must contain the same as listed in Intermediate Free skate (SSR 4.08)

SSR 4.18

Masters Junior - A well-balanced Masters Junior Free skate program must contain the same as listed in Novice Free skate (SSR 4.07)

SSR 4.19

Masters Senior - A well-balanced Masters Senior Free skate program must contain the same as listed in Junior Free skate (SSR 4.06)