

Category: **Ice Dance**

Subject: **Handbooks for Officials 2015 – Additional Q&As #3**

Technical Panel ; Referees and Judges; Data and Replay Operators

Questions (Required Elements)	Answers	Comments
What happens when a couple has an interruption (through stumbles, falls, etc) of more than 4 beats?	<p>The Technical Panel will call the Key Points as performed (Yes, No, Timing), but will identify it with the Pattern Dance Element Name and “Level 1”.</p> <p>The Technical Controller will instruct the Data Operator to input a “<<” to indicate an interruption of more than 4 beats.</p> <p>The symbol “<<” will appear in the protocol sheet if called by the Technical Panel.</p> <p>The symbol was added to make clear to the Coaches and Skaters why a Level was given when it is not obvious from the protocol sheet.</p>	<p>The following are examples of the Calls that will result if this case is applied:</p> <p>1RW1+kpYYY << Note: 3 Key Points were YES, but there was an Interruption of more than 4 beats</p> <p>1RW1+kpYYN << Note: 2 Key Points were YES, but there was an Interruption of more than 4 beats</p> <p>1RW1+kpYNN << Note: 1 Key Point was YES, but there was an Interruption of more than 4 beats</p> <p>It cannot be higher than a Level 1 if there is an interruption of more than 4 beats but the criteria for a Level 1 has been met.</p>
What happens when a couple completes less than 75% of the Pattern Dance Element?	<p>The Technical Panel will call the Key Points as performed (Yes, No, Timing), but will identify it with the Pattern Dance Element Name and “no level”.</p> <p>The Technical Controller will instruct the Data Operator to input an “!” to indicate that less than 75% of the Pattern Dance Element has been completed.</p> <p>The symbol “!” will appear in the protocol sheet if called by the Technical Panel.</p> <p>The symbol was added to make clear to the Coaches and Skaters why a Level was given when it is not obvious from the protocol sheet.</p>	<p>The following are examples of the Calls that will result if this case is applied::</p> <p>1RW+kpYYY ! Note: 3 Key Points were YES, but less than 75% of the PDE was completed</p> <p>1RW+kpYYN ! Note: 2 Key Points were YES, but less than 75% of the PDE was completed</p> <p>1RW+kpYNN ! Note: 1 Key Point was YES, but less than 75% of the PDE was completed</p> <p>It cannot be higher than no level since the criteria for level 1 (75% of pattern dance element completed by both partners) has not been met.</p> <p>.</p>

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For the Short Dance, is a Stop which is performed during the first 10 seconds of the program counted as one of the permitted Stops?	YES. Once the couple has started skating from their initial starting positions, they must continue the program. If there is a Stop, even during the first 10 seconds, it will be counted as one of the permitted Stop(s).	In the Senior Short Dance this Stop will be considered as a required Stop before the Partial Step Sequence
In the Communication for Scale of Values (ISU Communication 1936), the Diagonal Step Sequence in Hold (DiSt) is missing. Has this element been eliminated for this Season?	NO. It was an oversight. The Diagonal Step Sequence in Hold has the same Values as the other Step Sequences in Hold.	