

2017/18 Guidelines for Referees, Judges and Technical Panel Deductions

The deductions below apply to senior, junior and collegiate events at U.S. Figure Skating competitions. For all other levels, please see U.S. Figure Skating Guidelines.

<u>*Referee and Judges</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
Costume / prop violation, Rule 951, paragraph 1 (feathers not allowed anywhere, rhinestones or sequins not allowed on the face)	-1.0
<u>Referee</u>	
Costume failure, Rule 951, paragraph 2	-1.0
Music violations, Rule 991, paragraph 2a)	-1.0
Time violation for every five (5) seconds in excess or lacking (Free Skating), Rule 952	-1.0
Time violation for every five (5) seconds in excess 2 min 50 sec (SP), Rule 952	-1.0
Interruption in excess, more than ten (10) seconds (caused by a stumble or fall), Rule 953, paragraph 2	
11-20 seconds	-1.0
21-30 seconds	-2.0
31-40 seconds*	-3.0
more than 40 seconds by one or several skaters*	-4.0
more than 40 seconds by the Team	Team is withdrawn
Interruption of the program with three (3) minutes, Rule 965*	-5.0
*See next page for interruption deductions for more than 30 seconds for U.S. Figure Skating competitions	
<u>**Technical Panel</u>	
Falls , Rule 953, paragraph 1: One (1) skater (each time)	-1.0
Two (2) or more skaters at one (1) time	-2.0
Non-permitted , Rule 992, paragraph 3	
Elements/Features/Extra Features/Additional Features/Movements	-1.5
Illegal , Rule 992, paragraph 2	
Elements/Features/Additional Features/Movements	-2.0
<u>Short Program:</u>	
<u>Elements:</u>	
Wrong element shape , Rule 991, paragraph 3f)	<u>No value</u>
Repeated element shape, Rule 991, paragraph 3b)	-1.5 (not called)
Un-prescribed or Additional element, Rule 991, paragraph 3b)	-1.5 (not called)
<u>Features and Additional Features:</u>	
Not according to requirements (NAR) per violation, Rule 991, paragraph 2n)	-0.5
Omitted Requirements, Rule 991, paragraph 3e)	-0.5
<i>(See Technical Handbook for specific errors and deductions)</i>	

* Referee + Judges: the deduction is applied according to the opinion of the majority of the Panel which includes all the Judges and the Referee and no deduction in case of a 50:50 split vote. The Judges and Referee will press a button on their screen to apply the concerned deduction.

** Technical Panel: Technical Specialist identifies. Technical Controller authorizes or corrects and deducts. However, if both Technical Specialists disagree with a correction asked for by the Technical Controller, the initial decision of the Technical Specialist and Assistant Technical Specialist stands.



2017/18 U.S. Figure Skating Synchronized Guidelines For Referee and Technical Panel Deductions

This document specifies variances in deductions specific to the U.S. Figure Skating competitions and is to be used in conjunction with ISU Communication 2095. The penalties specified below supersede those in ISU Communication 2095 for the specified divisions.

For U.S. Figure Skating Junior, Senior and Collegiate Divisions

<u>Referee</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
Interruption in excess, more than ten (10) seconds (caused by a stumble or fall), Rule 7923(A)(6)(a-e)	
11-20 seconds	-1.0
21-30 seconds	-2.0
more than 30 seconds by one or several skaters	-3.0
more than 40 seconds by the Team	Team is withdrawn
Interruption of the program with three (3) minutes, Rule 7923(A)(6)(e)	-3.0

For U.S. Figure Skating Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice and Adult Divisions

<u>Referee</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
Time violation for every five (5) seconds in excess or lacking (Free Skating), Rule 7932(A)(1)	-0.5
Interruption in excess, more than ten (10) seconds (caused by a stumble or fall), Rule 7923(A)(6)(a-e)	
11-20 seconds	-0.5
21-30 seconds	-1.0
more than 30 seconds by one or several skaters	-1.5
more than 40 seconds by the Team	Team is withdrawn
Interruption of the program with three (3) minutes, Rule 7923(A)(6)(e)	-1.5
Holds in free skating (incorrect number and min 3 sec), Rule 7923(A)(14)	
Missing one (1) hold	-1.0
Missing two (2) holds	-2.0

<u>**Technical Panel</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
Falls, Rule 7923(A)(5): One (1) skater (each time)	-0.5
Two (2) or more skaters at one (1) time	-1.0

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