



## **Technical Notification 38**

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### **Technical Clarification Guidelines for Novice, Intermediate and Juvenile Pairs -2008-2009 Qualifying Competitions**

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#### **1. SOLO SPIN/SOLO COMBINATION SPIN**

Intermediate (USFS 4071) and Juvenile (USFS 4081) pairs may execute a solo spin or a solo combination spin. It is clarified that a change of foot in the solo spin and solo combination spin is optional.

#### **2. DEATH SPIRAL/PIVOT SPIRAL**

Pivot Spirals: It is clarified that in Juvenile pairs (USFS 4081) all pivot spirals will be coded as death spirals based on the lady's edge (FiDS, BiDS, FoDS, BoDS). All one-handed pivot spirals will be called at a level one regardless of additional features. Two-handed pivot spirals will be called no value.

Juvenile and Intermediate Pairs Death Spiral Revolutions: In the Juvenile pairs death spiral/pivot spiral (USFS 4081) and the Intermediate pairs death spiral (USFS 4071) a minimum  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution in low pivot position is required by the man.

It is clarified that in the Juvenile and Intermediate pairs death spiral both the man and lady (at same time) must maintain  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution in the low position to achieve a level one. To achieve higher than a level one in the death spiral, both the man and the lady must maintain the low position for a  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution and achieve additional features. If the man and lady do not maintain a  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution in the low position the death spiral will be called no value.

It is further clarified that the following IJS features may be achieved by Juvenile and Intermediate pairs only after a  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution in the low position is maintained by the man and lady in the death spiral:

- #2 – Change of lady's arm hold ( $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution with first hold, 1 revolution with second hold).
- #3 – Change of man's arm hold ( $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution with first hold, 1 revolution with second hold).
- #4 – Difficult variation of the lady's position during the death spiral (at least one full revolution in this variation – one revolution includes minimum  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolution).
- #5 – 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolutions of the lady in the death spiral.
- #6 – Additional revolution of the lady in the death spiral position after 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolutions (counts as many times as repeated).

### 3. LIFTS

Full Extension Requirement: USFS Rule 4030E(2) Pairs FS Generally requires that for a lift be a complete lift, it must include full extension of the lifting arm for the type of lift concerned. It is clarified that Group 1 and Group 2 lifts will be evaluated in the following manner:

- Group 1 Lifts: Full extension of one arm (lifting arm) by the man is required to receive higher than level one.
- Group 2 Waist Loop Lift: Full extension is optional, but the man must have full extension by both arms to receive higher than level one.

Lifts with Carry Feature: USFS Rule 4033E(5) Pairs FS Generally states that for Senior and Junior pairs events only, one of the required lifts may include a carry. In the remarks for Senior pairs FS (USFS Rule 4042B(2)A) it states that one of the allowed lifts may include a carry in Senior and Junior pairs only. Novice pairs (USFS 4060C(a)), Intermediate pairs (USFS 4071) and Juvenile pairs (USFS 4081) rules are silent as to whether one of the required lifts may include a carry.

It is therefore clarified that only Senior and Junior pairs may include a carry in one of the required lifts. If a Novice, Intermediate or Juvenile pair executes a required lift with a carry, the lift will receive a no value.

Lift Revolutions: USFS rules require that lifts must have a minimum of 2 revolutions of the lady, and a minimum one and maximum of 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  revolutions of the man. It is clarified that these lift revolution requirements extend to Novice, Intermediate, and Juvenile pairs. If a lift does not achieve these revolution requirements the lift will receive no value.

Lift Variations, Changes of Hold and Position: Variations of the lady's position, no-handed (exception: platter lift) and one-handed lifts, and combination lifts are not permitted in Intermediate pairs (USFS 4071). It is clarified that this rule also extends to Juvenile pairs.

It is further clarified that in Intermediate and Juvenile pairs, variations of the lady's position in lifts, no-handed lifts (exception: platter lift in Intermediate pairs), one-handed lifts and combination lifts are not permitted and will receive no value. The release of the lady's arm from the man's shoulder is a not a feature in Group 1 lifts.

Novice Pairs Repeat of Lifts: USFS Rule 4062 states that Novice Pairs FS must contain a maximum of two (2) different lifts, one of which must be from Group 3 or 4. The use of the word "different" is clarified to mean the pair team may not repeat a lift from the same group. Therefore, a lift code may be used only once within the Novice Pairs Free Skate program to receive technical points. If a lift from the same Group is repeated, the second attempt will receive no value.