

Category: **Ice Dance**

Subject: **Handbooks for Officials 2016/17 – Additional Q&As #7**

**Referees and Judges**

<b>Questions (Partial Step Sequence)</b>	<b>Answers</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Does a judge have to apply the mandatory reduction of 2 grades whenever a couple crosses their tracing during the Partial Step Sequence?	If there is an intentional crossing of their tracing which has been specifically choreographed to form a loop, this should be treated as a non-permitted element and the judge should apply the reduction of 2 Grades for the inclusion of a non-permitted element within the Partial Step Sequence  BUT  If the pattern happens to cross the tracings of previously performed steps/turns of the Partial Step Sequence, without the intention to form a loop, there is NO reduction required	