



SYNCHRONIZED SKATING DEDUCTION CHART FOR USE BY JUDGES AND REFEREES FOR 6.0 EVENTS: 2018 – 2019 COMPETITION SEASON

RULE	DEDUCTION TYPE	DEDUCTION AMOUNT AND LOCATION
Warm up in excess of 60 seconds (Event referee to instruct judges)		
1322 (p. 123)	Within 10 seconds over	0.2 to both marks
	11 or more seconds over	0.4 to both marks
Time violations		
9912 - Part E (p. 317)	Program does not finish within the range of time allowed (every 10 seconds excess or lacking)	0.1 in both marks/every 10 seconds
9043 - Part A (p. 292)	Element started after the permissible time	Element not counted/not marked (referee blows whistle)
9043 - Part B (p. 292)	Program is ≥30 seconds shorter than prescribed time	No marks awarded
Costume-Related		
1071 - Part C (3) (p.115)	Costume/prop violation (use of feathers, sequins, adornments on costume/headpiece, rhinestones adhered to face)	0.1 to the program component mark
9021, 9022, 9024 (p. 291)	Wearing earrings by preliminary, pre-juvenile or open juvenile (or clip-on, fastening or stick on for all levels)	
9923 - Part A (3)(4) (p.320)	Any part of costume falls to the ice	
	Use of hair pins or bobby pins	
Element-Related		
9912 - Part D (p. 317)	Element is omitted (not tried)	0.6 to the technical mark
	Added/repeated element	0.2 to the technical mark
9912 - Part I (p. 317)	Break in execution of element	0.1 - 0.2 to the technical mark
	Stumble during element	
9912 - Part F (p. 317)	Nonpermitted element in place of extra element	0.2 to technical mark
Illegal and Non-Permitted Elements		
9160 and 9170 (p. 300)	Lifts of any variety and/or un-sustained lifts Vaults Any throw jumps and/or assisted jumps of more than one revolution Intersections incorporating back spirals Flying camel spins executed by the entire team Split jump through the point of intersection 1+ revolution jumps (pre-juvenile, preliminary, open juvenile, open collegiate, open adult and open master) Prolonged (>3sec) lying or kneeling (one/both knees) on the ice at the beginning, end and/or during the program Jumps through the point of intersection Stopping (>5 seconds) on more than on occasion (except opening and closing, which should not exceed 10 sec) Separating longer than necessary before resuming skating as a unit	0.1 to both marks
Hand Holds		
Must be recognizable and held for 3 seconds Pre Juvenile, Open Juvenile, Preliminary, Open Adult and Open Masters - minimum two (2) holds; Open Collegiate - minimum three (3) holds		
9461 (p. 308) 9471 (p. 309),	Missing one hold	0.1 to technical mark
9481 (p. 310), 9496 (p. 312),	Missing two holds	0.2 to technical mark
9521 (p. 315), 9531 (p. 316)	Held less than three seconds (each instance)	0.1 to technical mark
Falls		
9912 - Part I (p. 317)	Major (2+ skaters for prolonged time)	0.4 - 0.5 to the technical mark
	Medium (one skater for prolonged time or down up for 2+ skaters)	0.3 to technical mark
	Minor (one skater down/up)	0.2 to technical mark
Miscellaneous		
9012 (p. 291)	Chanting or cheering by the team while on the ice, during their program	0.1 to the program component mark
9030 - part B (p. 291)	No discernible counting shall be permitted either by the coach, the leader of the team or by others, during their program	
9062 (p. 292)	Choreography excessively facing one side	
9030 - part A (291)	Music not according to requirements, including additions of sounds of applause or cheers to music	

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