

JUDGES COMMITTEE GUIDELINES – December 15, 2017

Program Requirements for Dance Test Judges

Must meet at least one of the following test or competition qualifications:

Standard Requirements	Accelerated Requirements	Advanced Requirements
NONE	Tests: Standard partnered pre-silver pattern dance test; Or Adult partnered silver pattern dance test	Tests: Standard partnered gold pattern dance test Competition: Novice, junior or senior dance competitor at sectional championships; Championship dance competitor at the U.S. Adult Championships

Note: ALL TRIAL JUDGES MAY TRIAL ANY TEST REGARDLESS OF WHICH TRACK THEY ARE REGISTERED IN

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Bronze Dance Test Judge Requirements

Description	Minimum Requirements Advanced Candidates	Minimum Requirements Accelerated Candidates	Minimum Requirements Standard Candidates
Present Grade	Prospective	Prospective	Prospective
Judges Schools	Required – within 1 year of appointment Must be certified in the moves in the field – school attendance or online course is applicable	Required – within 1 year of appointment Must be certified in the moves in the field – school attendance or online course is applicable	Required – within 1 year of appointment Must be certified in the moves in the field – school attendance or online course is applicable
Test Sessions Trial Judged	Minimum of one session with the approval of the RVC	Minimum of two sessions	Minimum of three sessions
Trial Judging Activity	SUGGESTED: Two each pre-preliminary, preliminary, pre-juvenile and juvenile moves and tests; AND three each preliminary through pre- silver pattern dance tests; AND two each juvenile and intermediate free dance tests, and one novice free dance test or trial experience at an approved competition. Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience.	SUGGESTED: Four each pre-preliminary, preliminary, pre-juvenile and juvenile moves tests; AND five each preliminary through pre- silver pattern dance tests; AND two each juvenile and intermediate free dance tests, and one novice free dance test, or trial experience at an approved competition. Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience.	SUGGESTED: Six each pre-preliminary, preliminary, pre-juvenile and juvenile moves tests; AND seven each preliminary through pre- silver pattern dance tests; AND two each juvenile and intermediate free dance tests and one novice free dance test or experience at an approved competition. Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience.
Trial Judge Papers	Papers submitted for appointment must be originals (May scan and email test papers if appropriate Chair allows) Trial judge sheets without comments or tests retried by 0.1 will not be accepted Trial Judge comments must relate to the marks and demonstrate variation/range Trial papers must be dated within two years of application for promotion		
Trial Judging Accuracy	SUGGESTED: 75 percent agreement with unanimously judged moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests 70 percent agreement with outcome for moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests 75 percent agreement with any judge for moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests		
Judges Promotional Exam	Must score at least 80 percent. (Per JR 11.03, this requirement cannot be modified.) Exam will be emailed by headquarters after application is submitted.		
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practicability seminar/test may be substituted for all of the above requirements • Requires favorable endorsement of judging peers and RVC • Guidelines may be modified by the SVC or chair • Majority of tests must be partnered, but may include up to 5% solo tests • Monitor should include Test History report from US Figure Skating members only when submitting papers 		

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Silver Dance Test Judge Requirements

Description	Minimum Requirements Advanced Candidates	Minimum Requirements Accelerated Candidates	Minimum Requirements Standard Candidates
Present Grade	Prospective or Bronze	Prospective or Bronze	Prospective or Bronze
Judges Schools	Required-- within 1 year of appointment School attendance or online course is applicable	Required – within 1 year of appointment School attendance or online course is applicable	Required-- within 1 year of appointment School attendance or online course is applicable
Test Sessions Trial Judged	Minimum of one session with the approval of the RVC	Minimum of two sessions	Minimum of three sessions
Trial Judging Activity	<p>Minimum of three each intermediate and novice moves tests; AND three each silver and pre-gold pattern dance tests; AND two junior free dance tests or trial experience an approved competition.</p> <p>If Prospective, must also meet Bronze requirements</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience.</p>	<p>Minimum of five each intermediate and novice moves tests; AND five each silver and pre-gold pattern dances; AND two junior free dance tests or trial experience an approved competition.</p> <p>If Prospective, must also meet Bronze requirements</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience.</p>	<p>Minimum of seven each intermediate and novice moves tests; AND seven each silver and pre-gold pattern dances; AND two junior free dance tests or trial experience an approved competition.</p> <p>If Prospective, must also meet Bronze requirements</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience.</p>
Trial Judge Papers	<p>Papers submitted for appointment must be originals (May scan and email test papers if appropriate Chair allows)</p> <p>Trial judge sheets without comments or tests retried by 0.1 will not be accepted</p> <p>Trial Judge comments must relate to the marks and demonstrate variation/range</p> <p>Trial papers must be dated within two years of application for promotion</p>		
Trial Judging Accuracy	<p>SUGGESTED</p> <p>75 percent agreement with unanimously judged moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests</p> <p>70 percent agreement with outcome for moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests</p> <p>75 percent agreement with any judge for moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests</p>		
Test Judging Activity/ Accuracy	<p>If Bronze, judging must be satisfactory.</p>		
Judges Promotional Exam	<p>Must score at least 80 percent. (Per JR 11.03, this requirement cannot be modified.)</p> <p>Exam will be emailed by headquarters after application is submitted.</p>		
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practicability seminar/test may be substituted for all of the above requirements • Requires favorable endorsement of judging peers and RVC • Guidelines may be modified by the SVC or chair • Majority of tests must be partnered, but may include up to 5% solo tests • Monitor should include Test History report from US Figure Skating members only when submitting papers 		

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Gold Dance Test Judge Requirements

Description	Minimum Requirements Advanced Candidates	Minimum Requirements Accelerated Candidates	Minimum Requirements Standard Candidates
Present Grade	Silver test	Silver test level for a minimum of 6 months	Silver test level for a minimum of one year
Judges Schools	Required – within 1 year of appointment school attendance or online course is applicable.	Required – within 1 year of appointment school attendance or online course is applicable	Required – within 1 year of appointment school attendance or online course is applicable
Test Sessions Trial Judged	Minimum of one session with the approval of the SVC	Minimum of two sessions	Minimum of three sessions
Trial Judging Activity	<p>Minimum of four each junior and senior moves tests; AND four each gold pattern dance tests; AND one senior free dance test or trial experience at an approved competition.</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience</p>	<p>Minimum of five each junior and senior moves tests; AND five each gold pattern dance tests; AND one senior free dance test or trial experience at an approved competition.</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience</p>	<p>Minimum of six each junior and senior moves tests; AND six each gold pattern dance tests; AND one senior free dance test or trial experience at an approved competition.</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience</p>
Trial Judge Papers	<p>Papers submitted for appointment must be originals (May scan and email test papers if appropriate Chair allows)</p> <p>Trial judge sheets without comments or tests retried by 0.1 will not be accepted</p> <p>Trial Judge comments must relate to the marks and demonstrate variation/range</p> <p>Trial papers must be dated within two years of application for promotion</p>		
Trial Judging Accuracy	<p>SUGGESTED</p> <p>85 percent agreement with unanimously judged moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests</p> <p>85 percent agreement with outcome of test for moves in the field, pattern dance and free dance tests</p> <p>90 percent agreement with any judge for moves in the field, pattern dance and free skate tests</p>		
Test Judging Activity/ Accuracy	Judging must be satisfactory as evaluated. Judged at silver test level at minimum of two different sessions, or a minimum of 10 silver dance tests.		
Judges Promotional Exam	<p>Must score at least 80 percent. (Per JR 11.03, this requirement cannot be modified.)</p> <p>Exam will be emailed by headquarters after application is submitted.</p>		
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practicability seminar/test may be substituted for all of the above requirements. • Requires favorable endorsement of judging peers and SVC. • Guidelines may be modified by the SVC or chair • Majority of tests must be partnered, but may include up to 5% solo tests • Monitor should include Test History report from US Figure Skating members only when submitting papers 		

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International Dance Test Judge Requirements

Description	Minimum Requirements Advanced Candidates	Minimum Requirements Accelerated Candidates	Minimum Requirements Standard Candidates
Present Grade	Gold test	Gold test level for a minimum of 6 months	Gold test level for a minimum of one year
Judges Schools	Required – within 1 year of appointment school attendance or online course is applicable	Required – within 1 year of appointment school attendance or online course is applicable	Required – within 1 year of appointment school attendance or online course is applicable
Test Sessions Trial Judged	Minimum of one session with the approval of the SVC	Minimum of two sessions	Minimum of three sessions
Trial Judging Activity	<p>Minimum of four each international pattern dance tests or attend an approved dance test certification seminar, or complete the online certification modules with a passing mark for each separate module.</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience</p>	<p>Minimum of four each international pattern dance tests or attend an approved dance test certification seminar, or complete the online certification modules with a passing mark for each separate module.</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience</p>	<p>Minimum of four each international pattern dance tests or attend an approved dance test certification seminar, or complete the online certification modules with a passing mark for each separate module.</p> <p>Practicability exams conducted by Judges Education & Training Subcommittee may be substituted for trial judging experience</p>
Trial Judge Papers	<p>Papers submitted for appointment must be originals (May scan and email test papers if appropriate Chair allows)</p> <p>Trial judge sheets without comments or tests retried by 0.1 will not be accepted</p> <p>Trial Judge comments must relate to the marks and demonstrate variation/range</p> <p>Trial papers must be dated within two years of application for promotion</p> <p>If taking the online modules, all modules must be completed within two years</p>		
Trial Judging Accuracy	<p>SUGGESTED</p> <p>85 percent agreement with unanimously judged tests</p> <p>85 percent agreement with outcome of tests</p> <p>90 percent agreement with any judge</p>		
Test Judging Activity/ Accuracy	<p>Judging must be satisfactory as evaluated under JR 2.01 (F). Judged at gold test level at minimum of two different sessions, or minimum of 10 gold dance tests.</p>		
Judges Promotional Exam	<p>Must score at least 80 percent. (Per JR 11.03, this requirement cannot be modified.)</p> <p>Exam will be emailed by headquarters after application is submitted.</p>		
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online modules may be substituted for all of the above requirements. • Practicability seminar/test may be substituted for all of the above requirements. • Requires favorable endorsement of judging peers and SVC. • Guidelines may be modified by the SVC or chair • Majority of tests must be partnered, but may include up to 5% solo tests • Monitor should include Test History report from US Figure Skating members only when submitting papers 		