# **2023 Solo Series Pattern Dance Requirements**

### Solo Pattern Dance

The solo pattern dance event is comprised of two dances at each level. The results from both dances will be combined to create a final score and overall result. All levels will have one initial round dance <u>assigned for the entire season this year, including the Series Final.</u> The final round dance for all 2023 Solo Series events, also including the Series Final, will consist of a Variation Dance <u>with the exception of the Preliminary and Pre-Bronze levels. It was determined after meeting with the coaches during the 2022 Series Finals that the lower levels should remain just two dances instead of a Variation Dance.</u>

**All** music for pattern dance will be Skater's Choice.

All pattern dances will include "Key Points" which will be part of attaining levels. These will be published with the new handbook later in the fall. (This does not apply to Shadow Dance)

All pattern dances will use **"Solo Series Steps"** for all competitors. All skaters will be using the same steps. Please refer to the pattern dance diagrams for the steps to be skated along with the number of sequences, Key Points, and time limits for Skater's Choice skating time.

The following levels will be offered:

	Test Requirements	Dances (number of sequences to be skated)
Preliminary	No test or passed preliminary & may not have passed the Novice Free Skating or Moves Tests.	First Dance: Canasta Tango (3 sequences) & Second Dance: Rhythm Blues (3 sequences)
Pre-Bronze	Passed preliminary or pre-bronze & may not have passed the Novice Free Skating or Moves Tests.	First Dance: Swing Dance (2 sequences) Second Dance: Tango Fiesta (3 sequences)
Bronze	Passed pre-bronze or bronze & may not have passed the Novice Free Skating or Moves Tests.	First Dance: Willow Waltz (3 sequences) Second Dance: Hickory Hoedown Variation Dance (2 sequences)
Pre-Silver	Passed bronze or pre-silver	First Dance: European Waltz (2 sequences) Second Dance: Foxtrot Variation Dance (2 sequences)
Silver	Passed pre-silver or silver	First Dance: Tango (2 sequences) Second Dance: Rocker Foxtrot Variation Dance (2 sequences)
Pre-Gold	Passed silver or pre-gold	First Dance: Paso Doble (3 sequences) Second Dance: Blues Variation Dance (2 sequences)
Gold	Passed pre-gold or gold	First Dance: Viennese Waltz (2 sequences) Second Dance: Quickstep Variation (2 sequences)
International	Passed gold or international	First Dance: Rhumba (3 sequences) Second Dance: Yankee Polka Variation Dance (2 sequences)

## **Shadow Dance**

The shadow pattern dance event is comprised of one pattern dance at each level.

A team may be comprised of two skaters of any gender. Solo Series Steps will be used as outlined in the Pattern Dance Diagram Handbook. Music is Skaters Choice and must be provided by the skaters.

The following levels will be offered:

Level	Requirement	Dance (number of sequences to be skated)
Preliminary	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete preliminary dance test.	Rhythm Blues (3 sequences)
Pre-Bronze	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-bronze dance test.	Tango Fiesta (3 sequences)
Bronze	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete bronze dance test.	Ten Fox (3 sequences)
Pre-Silver	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-silver dance test.	Foxtrot (3 sequences)
Silver	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete silver dance test.	American Waltz (2 sequences)
Pre-Gold	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-gold dance test.	Starlight Waltz (2 sequences)
Gold/International	Open.	Midnight Blues (1 sequence)

### **Combined Solo Dance Events**

The following pattern dances will be used for the 2023 season:

#### Juvenile:

• Series and Final – Hickory Hoedown, (3 sequences)

### Intermediate:

• Series and Final - European Waltz (2 Sequences)

### Novice:

Series and Final – Blues (3 sequences)

Jr. Rhythm Dance Pattern Dance Element: Argentine Tango (Section 1, man's steps 1-18)

Note\* - The Pattern Dance Element in the Sr. Rhythm Dance will be replaced with a new element, the Choreographic Rhythm Sequence to be outlined in the handbook.