

**U.S. FIGURE SKATING  
REPORT OF ACTION  
taken by the  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
June 1, 2020**

The Board of Directors took the following actions:

1. **CONCURRED** regarding the resolution of the Stipulation of a Grievance Matter from the chair of the Grievance Committee.

2. **APPROVED – Dance Development & Technical Committee**

Amend **rule 1071 (C)(2) (page 106, Rulebook)** to match the ISU deductions as follows (note: housekeeping changes were made to the order to match the chart in ISU Communication No. 2313):

**1070 Calculation of Results – IJS**

**1071 IJS Basic Principles of Calculation – All Skating Disciplines**

C. Deductions are applied for each violation.

2. In ice dance, deductions are applied for each violation as follows:

a. Program time violations:

i. -1.0 for every five seconds lacking or in excess for ~~novice~~, junior and senior ice dance events.

ii. -0.5 for every five seconds lacking or in excess for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

b. Illegal element/movement violation: ~~-2.0 per violation~~

i. -2.0 per violation for junior and senior ice dance events.

ii. -1.0 per violation for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

c. Costume and prop violation: ~~-1.0 per program~~

i. -1.0 per program for junior and senior ice dance events.

ii. -0.5 per program for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

d. Part of the costume/decoration falls on the ice: ~~-1.0 per program~~

i. -1.0 per program for junior and senior ice dance events.

ii. -0.5 per program for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

e. Falls (see rule 1400 for the definition of a fall):

i. -1.0 for every fall by one partner, and -2.0 for every fall by both partners in junior and senior ice dance events.

ii. -0.5 for every fall by one partner, and -1.0 for every fall by both partners in juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

f. Late start (see rule 1322):

i. -1.0 for junior and senior ice dance events.

ii. -0.5 for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

g. For every interruption in performing the program:

i. For interruptions of more than 10 seconds, up to 20 seconds:

- -1.0 for junior and senior,
- -0.5 for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult;

ii. For interruptions of more than 20 seconds, up to 30 seconds:

- -2.0 for junior and senior,
- -1.0 for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult;

iii. For interruptions of more than 30 seconds, up to 40 seconds:

- -3.0 for junior and senior,
- -1.5 for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult;

iv. After 40 seconds, if the skater/couple has not reported to the event referee, the competitor(s) is (are) considered withdrawn.

- v. For interruption of the program with allowance of up to three minutes to resume from the point of interruption:
  - -3.0 for junior and senior,
  - -1.5 for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult.
- h. Extra elements: ~~-1.0 per violation~~
  - i. -1.0 per element for junior and senior ice dance events.
  - ii. -0.5 per element for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.
- i. Violation of ~~choreography~~ choreographic restrictions: ~~-1.0 per program~~
  - i. -1.0 per program for junior and senior ice dance events.
  - ii. -0.5 per program for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.
- j. Lifts exceeding the permitted duration: ~~-1.0 per lift~~
  - i. -1.0 per lift for junior and senior ice dance events.
  - ii. -0.5 per lift for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.
- k. Violation of music requirements:
  - i. -2.0 per program for ~~novice~~, junior, and senior ice dance events.
  - ii. -1.0 per program for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.
- l. Violation of tempo specifications: ~~-1.0 per program~~
  - i. -1.0 per program for junior, and senior ice dance events.
  - ii. -0.5 per program for juvenile, intermediate, novice and adult ice dance events.

**Implementation date:** July 1, 2020

3. **APPROVED** waiving the test qualifications as of the closing date for entries for the 2021 qualifying competitions as defined in rule 1022 (A) for standard-track qualifying competitions, and (C) for synchronized skating qualifying competitions, as well as the 2020 U.S. Collegiate Figure Skating Championships. For this season only, skaters will be allowed to register at their current test level or up to two levels higher. Rule 2424 will still apply.

As an exception to rule 4201, skaters who compete one level higher than their current test level may elect to submit their protocol from a U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned qualifying competition conducted under the IJS during the 2020-21 season, where they have met the minimum passing scores as defined in rule 4202. Skaters must have met the prerequisites for the test by the date of the competition and must have competed in the applicable event at the level they are wishing to pass.