



Officials Creed Standard of Conduct

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DOR 2.01 The following Officials' Creed Standard of Conduct is established for the guidance of all officials of U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities:

- I consider it an honor and a privilege to be an official for U.S. Figure Skating.
- I will make my judgment to the best of my ability with all humility and then will keep my own counsel unless questioned officially.
- I will free my mind of all former impressions, be cooperative and punctual, and do my best always to improve my knowledge and to uphold the dignity of the sport.

DOR 2.02 Officials will refrain from publishing or emailing any statements, or making comments online concerning figure skating tests and competitions.

DOR 2.03 All officials must adhere to the U.S. Figure Skating Code of Ethics (GR 1.01) and Code of Conduct (GR 1.02-1.06), the Social Media Policy for Officials, the Travel and Expense Policy, the Officials' Creed Standard of Conduct, any other applicable U.S. Figure Skating policies, and all applicable U.S. Figure Skating rules. In addition, all judges must adhere to the Ethical Conduct and Conflict of Interest Procedures for Judges, and all technical panel officials must adhere to the Technical Panel Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy.

DOR 2.04 Judges may not stand or sit together nor communicate with each other or with spectators or skaters (i.e. competitors or test candidates) while judging. They may not compare notes with one another and must judge independently. In addition, judges may not consult previously prepared marks during a competition and will not write down the announced scores of any skater or team during an event they are judging.

DOR 2.05 Violations of rules DOR 2.00-2.04 may be deemed adequate grounds for appropriate action by the Domestic Officials Recruitment and Management Committee. See also rule GR 1.01.