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Subject: **Handbooks for Officials 2016/17 – Additional Q&As #2**

Referees and Judges

Questions (Required Elements)	Answers	Comments
<p>If a couple skates to Hip Hop music which has lyrics which are inappropriate for a Sport Discipline, how is the deduction taken by the Judges?</p>	<p>The deduction is taken by the Judge pressing the Music Button to indicate that there is a problem with the lyrics.</p>	<p>The deduction is applied according to the opinion of the majority of the Panel which includes all the Judges and the Referee and no deduction in case of a 50:50 split vote.</p>
Technical panel		
<p>A couple perform the following: A series of steps and turns which can be considered as a difficult Entry to the Dance Spin The man performs Camel spin for 3 rotations. The lady performs a Difficult Variation of Sit position for 3 rotations. Both partners then Change spinning direction and continue to spin in a simple Upright position for 1.5 rotations Then both partners simultaneously change feet and continue to spin for more than three rotations, the man in different Difficult Variation of Sit position for three rotations and the lady in a simple Upright position before performing a difficult exit.</p> <p>What is the call?</p>	<p>It will be called a Combination Spin Option 1 because the requirements for change of direction within the first part had not included two rotations before AND after the change in direction The call would be CoSp2</p>	<p>If the required 2 rotations before and after the change of direction had been performed, the element would be considered as a Combination Spin Option 2 and the following would have counted for level:</p> <p>Entry feature 2 Different Basic Positions 3 Different Difficult Variations Option 2 since there was a correctly executed change of spinning direction Exit feature</p> <p>The Call would be CoSp3</p>

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<p>A couple perform the following: An unexpected Entry Both partners perform a simple Camel position for more than 3 rotations The lady then performs an Upright lay back position for 3 rotations Both partners then simultaneously change feet and Change of spinning direction and continue spinning for two rotations in different Difficult Variations of Sit Spin and then finish the spin What is the call?</p>	<p>As the couple have completed more than one rotation in the second part, it is considered a Combination Spin. The call is CoSp2</p>	<p>The following are considered for Level: One Difficult Variation of Camel position for man (simple Camel position for the lady does not count for level) One Difficult Variation of Upright position Since the second part did not contain the required 3 rotations after the Change of spinning direction, it cannot be considered for level for Combination Spin Option 2 The Difficult Variations for Sit position were not held for the required number of rotations</p>
<p>The man performs a Camel position while the lady performs an Upright lay back for more than 3 rotations The man then performs a Sit spin while the lady does a simple Upright position for 2 rotations. Both partners Change of spinning direction and continue spinning for one rotation and then finish the spin with a Difficult Exit What is the call?</p>	<p>The call is Sp3</p>	<p>The Change of spinning direction does not count for the level since there were not two rotations executed after the change of direction. The difficult exit is also ignored since there were not 4 Different Difficult Variations from 3 Different Basic positions.</p>

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<p>When evaluating a Pattern Dance for percentage of steps completed versus a Step Sequence/Partial Step Sequence, is this the same?</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p>Pattern Dances are evaluated based on the number of steps completed. Example – A Pattern Dance with 20 steps would need 15 steps executed by both partners (75%) to receive Level 1.</p> <p>A Step Sequence or Partial Step Sequence is evaluated for overall pattern completed based on the shape, i.e. straight line, circle, diagonal. Example - For Level Base and Level 1, both skaters must have completed at least 50% of the pattern and not 50% of the total number of steps.</p>
<p>For Basic Novice and Advanced Novice, if a couple performs a Required Element with features for Level 3 or 4 but there is also an error resulting in a reduction of the level, how will the Technical Panel evaluate this Element?</p>	<p>For Basic Novice and Advanced Novice, the call is based on the maximum level the couple may receive for an element (Basic Novice Level 2, Advanced Novice Level 3) and then the reduction for an error is applied. The couple may choose to execute more features than what is required but the Technical Panel ignores them.</p>	<p>Example: A couple in Basic Novice perform all features for Level 3 Spin but there is a brief touch down of the man's foot. The reduction of level is applied to Level 2 (maximum for Basic Novice) versus Level 3. The Spin would be called Level 1</p> <p>Couples are encouraged to perform what is required for the maximum level possible, focusing on the quality of execution and musicality of the element and not just the difficulty.</p>

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<p>A couple in Basic Novice performs a Set of Twizzles and they execute enough features to receive a Level 3. There is also a checked three turn by one skater. What is the call?</p>	<p>Call is STw1</p>	<p>For Basic Novice and Advanced Novice, the call is based on the maximum level the couple may receive for an element (Basic Novice Level 2, Advanced Novice level 3). In this example, the couple chose to execute more features than what is required. However, the maximum they may receive for Basic Novice is Level 2 so the error due to a checked three turn reduces the element from Level 2 to Level 1, NOT from Level 3 to Level 2. The same principal of calling applies to both Basic Novice and Advanced Novice.</p> <p>Couples are encouraged to perform what is required for the maximum level possible, focusing on the quality of execution and musicality of the element and not just the difficulty.</p>