



Novice Singles changes due to ISU Communication 1886

The ISU have recently released Communication 1886 which incorporates changes to ISU Novice Level requirements.

Ice Skating Australia is obliged to follow these rules for Novice Singles as Novice follows **ISU Advanced Novice** rules.

These updated technical requirements are effective immediately for all competitions. The following changes will be required to skaters programs:

- Short Program – Jumps not according to Short Program Requirements (wrong number of revolutions) will receive no value
- Free Skate – Only two (2) jumps with three (3) or more revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- Free Skate – Any single and double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total.

Novice Singles perform the elements as listed for **ISU Advanced Novice** Competitions.

Skaters and Coaches are advised to review the full ISU Communication 1886 for complete details.

Segments to be skated in Novice Singles competitions are; Short Program and Free Skate

Short Program

No changes to the elements to be performed.

Free Skate

A well balanced Novice Free Skate program must contain:

- a) Ladies – Maximum of 6 jump elements, one of which must be an Axel type jump.
Men – Maximum of 7 jump elements, one of which must be an Axel type jump.
There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps but only the two most difficult jumps will be counted.

Only two jumps with three (3) or more revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence. Any single and double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total.

- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature
- One of which must be a spin combination (min 10 revs in total). Flying entry is allowed.
 - One a Flying Spin or spin with a flying entrance (min 6 revs in total).
- c) There must one (1) step sequence fully utilising the ice surface.

Competition Implications

The latest IJS software issued by the ISU includes the latest verification rules when the Novice event is set up correctly.

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