



Novice Singles changes due to ISU Communication 1947

The ISU have recently released Communication 1947 which incorporates changes to ISU Novice Level requirements and replace ISU Communication 1886 and Novice Information in ISU Communication 1856.

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:

- Free Skate – Maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination (no flying entry) and one must be a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance.

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

Skaters and Coaches are advised to review the full ISU Communication 1947 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, with the exception of boys now perform a camel or sit spin with a min of 5 revs on each foot instead of previously 6 revs.

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.
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 and one must be a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance.
 - The spin combination must be executed with a min of 8 revs. Flying entrance is not allowed.
 - The flying spin must have a min of 6 revs. If the spin with a flying entrance is selected, the spin must be executed with a change of foot and without a change of position with a min of 8 revs.
- c) There must one (1) step sequence fully utilising the ice surface.

Deductions for falls will be 0.5 per fall

Competition Implications

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

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