

# 2022 ISI TEST & COMPETITION RULE REVISIONS

**These Test & Competition Revisions are mandatory for  
all tests and competition events beginning 9/1/22.**

## 1. TEST REVISIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

- **Open Solo Free Dance** – If a skater has passed the USFS dance test or ISI dance test level below, the skater must test and compete no lower than the corresponding ISI Open Solo Free Dance level:

<u>USFS Dance Test</u>	<u>ISI Dance Test</u>	<u>ISI Open Solo Free Dance Level</u>	<u>Program Duration</u>
Preliminary	Ice Dance 3	Bronze Open Solo Free Dance	1:40
Bronze	Ice Dance 5	Silver Open Solo Free Dance	1:50
Silver - <i>one dance</i>	Ice Dance 7 - <i>one dance</i>	Gold Open Solo Free Dance	2:00
Pre-Gold - <i>two dances</i>	Ice Dance 8	Platinum Open Solo Free Dance	2:20
Gold	Ice Dance 10	Diamond Open Solo Free Dance	2:40

- **Open Solo Free Dance Test Requirements** – There are several changes for all levels. Carefully check the *2022 ISI Handbook* for the new changes and descriptions.
  - Split jumps of more than 45 degrees and consecutive 1/2 rotation jumps are not permitted in Open Solo Free Dance.
  - Flying spins are not permitted in Open Solo Free Dance or partnered Free Dance
  - Additional testing criteria are Extra Content and General Overall
- **Pair 3-10 Test Requirements** – There are several maneuver changes for Pair 3-10 levels. Carefully check the *2022 ISI Handbook* for the new changes and maneuver descriptions.
- **Freestyle 7-10, Couple 8-10, and Pair 6-10 testing** – At District High-Level test sessions and National Event test sessions, if one of the required maneuvers does not receive a passing score during the compulsory portion of the test, retesting that one maneuver (with two additional attempts) prior to the program portion of the test will be allowed at the discretion of the Referee.
- **Video Testing** – To help maintain the integrity of our judging process, ISI video tests should not be posted on social media sites.

## 2. COMPETITION EVENT REVISIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

- Delta skaters can compete in Delta-level events and/or Figure 1 and Dance 1 events.
- In all Stroking events, forward crossovers are required on the end pattern and will be judged.
- Open Solo Free Dance test requirements and duration times have changed. Recheck Solo Free Dance programs to make sure the maneuvers meet the new requirement and maneuver limitations.
- In Pair 3-10 levels, the test requirements have changed. Recheck Pair programs to make sure the maneuvers match the new requirements and maneuver limitations.
- **Team Compulsory Skaters** – Skaters who have only passed Open Freestyle tests can only compete in the following Team Compulsory event levels:

Open Bronze – Team Compulsory 3 and higher	Open Silver – Team Compulsory 5 and higher
Open Gold – Team Compulsory 7 and higher	Open Platinum – Team Compulsory 8 and higher
- **Pair 1-6, Open Pair Bronze-Gold, Couple 1-6, Free Dance 1-10, and all Synchronized Skating events** - Uncaptured adagio-style, acrobatic, and overhead lifts are not permitted for safety reasons. Adagio lifts are when the lifting partner (with extended arms) is gliding on one or two feet with no turning. Acrobatic lifts are moves in which a skater is only held by the blade(s), foot(feet), leg(s), and swung around. All lifts where the lifted skater is in a totally vertical sustained position with the head down are illegal maneuvers.
- The “headbanger spin” is an illegal maneuver in all ISI events.
- **Ensemble Team events** – The 30-second timing for teams to exit the ice has been removed and no penalty will be given.

- Synchronized Team Age Groups – Collegiate teams no longer fall into the chronological listing of age divisions. Collegiate teams are to be considered a separate division unto itself for skaters meeting eligibility requirements. Adult team skaters may compete on a Teen team.
- Synchronized Open Skating event has been removed because teams were not entering that event in the manner that it was designed.
- If a Synchronized Advanced Formation team wants to skate a compulsory program, they must compete in the Skating Compulsories event.

### 3. **Judging Revisions & Clarifications** (Criteria changes in red and underlined)

- Creative Figure / Free Figure events** – Duration time limit has been removed.
  - Freestyle event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Maneuver #1, Maneuver #2, Correctness, Duration, General Overall
    - Judge 2 – Maneuver #3, Maneuver #4, Extra Content, Choreography & Pattern, General Overall
    - Judge 3 – Maneuver #5, Maneuver #6, Maneuver #7 (if applicable - FS6 & up), Posture & Presentation, Music Interpretation, General Overall
  - Ice Dance 1-10 – Solo event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Correctness, Interpretation (Dutch Waltz and higher)
    - Judge 2 – Posture, Timing
    - Judge 3 – Extension, Pattern
  - Ice Dance 1-10 – Similar / Mixed / Choice / Pro Partner event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Correctness, Interpretation (Dutch Waltz and higher)
    - Judge 2 – Pattern, Position, Timing (moved to Judge 2)
    - Judge 3 – Unison, Posture
  - Pattern Team event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Pattern, Creativity, General Overall
    - Judge 2 – Unison, Correctness of Turns & Edges, General Overall
    - Judge 3 – Team Posture & Presentation, Duration, General Overall
  - Rhythmic event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Music & Choreography, Use of Prop, Judge Appeal
    - Judge 2 – Pattern, Originality, Judge Appeal
    - Judge 3 – Duration, Presentation, Judge Appeal
  - Stroking event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Cleanness of Edges, Forward Crossovers, Rhythm
    - Judge 2 – Flexible Skating Knee & Flow, Posture
    - Judge 3 – Free Leg Extension, Proper Push-Offs
  - Team Compulsory event judging criteria:**
    - Judge 1 – Maneuver #1, Maneuver #2, Correctness, Pattern, General Overall
    - Judge 2 – Maneuver #3, Maneuver #4, Music Interpretation, Team Posture & Presentation, General Overall
    - Judge 3 – Maneuver #5, Maneuver #6, Maneuver #7 (if applicable), Duration, General Overall
- Pair 1-6, Couple 1-6, Free Dance 1-10, and all Synchronized Skating events – The penalty for performing uncaptured adagio-style, acrobatic, and overhead lifts will be the score of 2.0 given under *Extra Content*. In all Synchronized Skating events, the score of 2.0 will be given under *Correctness* or *Technical Merit*.
  - Open Pair Events – Not following maneuver limitations will result in a score of 2.0 under Variety of Moves.
  - Synchro Formation and Advanced Formation – A penalty should only be considered if more than half of the team is skating backwards on one foot and it appears to be choreographed as part of the routine. If a few skaters accidentally lift one foot off the ice while going backwards, no penalty should be given.

**For more information and complete details about any Rule Revision or clarification, please refer to the 2022 edition of the *ISI Handbook*.**

**There have also been some additional changes in verbiage, expanded definitions for uncaptured maneuvers, and updated charts.**