



Technical Notification 215

Dated: August 16, 2018

Re: Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance – Competitions – Allowance of a Delayed Start or Restart (Rule 1403 (A))

The Athletes Advisory, Coaches, Competitions, Dance, Pairs and Singles Committees, and the Board of Directors have approved the following amendments to the allowance of a delayed start or restart for deficient music (Rule 1403 (A)). All other paragraphs in Rule 1403 (B-I) remain as printed in the [2018-19 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#), page 124.

1403 Allowance of a Delayed Start or Restart – Singles/Pairs/Dance

- A. If the tempo or quality of the music is deficient, the competitor(s) may restart the program from the beginning if the competitor(s) reports to the event referee within 20 seconds after the start. If the competitor(s) reports to the referee more than 20 seconds after the start, the competitor(s) will resume the program at the point of interruption or, if the interruption occurred at the entrance to or during an element, at the point immediately preceding this element. If for any reason there is an interruption or stop in the music, the competitor(s) must stop skating when they become aware of the problem or at the acoustic signal of the event referee, whichever is earlier. Back-up music must be readily available at rinkside. No deduction will be made by the event referee or judges.