



## 2024-2025 Domestic Single Skating Calling Clarifications for Novice and Junior

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<b>Fall Deduction</b>	<p><b>Novice:</b> The deduction for every fall is 0.5</p> <p><b>Junior:</b> The deduction for every fall is 1.0</p>
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<b>Jumps</b>	<p><b>Short Program and Free Skate:</b> Jumps, including rotational and edge errors, will be assessed per ISU Communications #2623 (Levels of Difficulty) and #2656 (SOV).</p> <p><b>Short Program:</b> Jumps that do not satisfy the requirements (wrong number of revolutions) <b>will have No Value</b>.</p> <p><b>Free Skate:</b> If, according to the jump repeat rules for specific levels, when two executions of a jump are allowed and one of those must be in combination or sequence, if both are executed as solo jumps, the second one performed will be marked with the sign "+REP."</p>
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<b>Jump Bonuses</b>	<p>To be eligible for bonus points, jumps must be fully rotated or landed on the quarter (q) and must be compliant with short program or free skating program requirements and repeat rules. Unless otherwise specified, jumps can be performed as a solo jump, or in combination or sequence. Jumps that are downgraded (&lt;&lt;), under-rotated (&lt;), with an edge attention (!) or have a wrong edge assigned (e) are not eligible for any bonus points.</p> <p><b>Novice Short Program and Free Skate (be sure to vet program requirements):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.0 bonus for each triple Axel             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 1.0 + 1.0 bonus for 3A + triple jump combination or 3A + 3A sequence</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 1.0 bonus for <u>each</u> jump combination with a triple jump followed by a triple jump* *MUST be different but may contain ONE of the same jumps. Eg. 3F+3T and 3Lz+ 3T or 3Lo+3T and 3F+3Lo</li> <li>• <u>1.0 bonus for one jump combination with a double Axel followed by a triple jump (free skate only)</u></li> <li>• 1.0 bonus for <u>one</u> jump combination with a double Axel or triple jump followed by a single jump followed by a triple jump (free skate only)</li> <li>• 2.0 additional bonus for four or more different triple or quadruple jumps (free skate only).</li> </ul> <p><b>Junior Short Program and Free Skate (be sure to vet program requirements)::</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.0 bonus for each triple Axel</li> <li>• 1.0 bonus for each quadruple jump (free skate only)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 1.0 + 1.0 bonus for quad + 3A sequence or 3A + 3A sequence</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 1.0 bonus for <u>each</u> jump combination with a triple jump followed by a triple jump* *MUST be different but may contain ONE of the same jumps. Eg. 3F+3T and 3Lz+ 3T or 3Lo+3T and 3F+3Lo</li> </ul>
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<b>Choreographic Sequence</b>	<p><b>Novice and Junior Free Skate</b> If the choreographic sequence (ChSq) meets the requirements, it will be confirmed (see well-balanced program chart). The ChSq will be defined and evaluated per ISU Communication #2623 and the ISU Technical Panel Handbook – Singles.</p>
<b>Step Sequence</b>	<p>In Novice Step Sequences (StSq in the SP only), there will be a 0.5 bonus awarded to any step sequence that achieves a Level 4.</p>
<b>Spins</b>	<p>All spins in Novice and Junior will be assessed per ISU Communications #2623 (Levels of Difficulty) and #2656 (SOV). ISU spin criteria and any associated "V" will be applied.</p>

Spin Quick Reference Chart					
Number of basic positions achieved →	0	1	2	3	No basic on one foot
One position spin no change of foot	No Value	(B-4)	N/A	N/A	N/A
One position spin with change of foot	No Value	(B-4)	N/A	N/A	Nov/Jr Men SP - No Value Nov FS - (B-4)V
CoSp	No Value	No Value	CoSp(B-4)V	CoSp(B-4)	N/A
CCoSp	No Value	No Value	CCoSp(B-4)V	CCoSp(B-4)	CCoSp(B-4)



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### Refer to the following documents for additional information:

- 2024-2025 U. S. Figure Skating Rulebook (posted July 2024)
- 2024-2025 Singles Short Program Elements for Juvenile – Senior
- 2024-2025 Singles Free Skate Program Elements for Pre-Preliminary – Senior
- 2024-2025 Domestic Bonus Chart
- ISU Communication #2623 – Single and Pair Skating
- ISU Communication #2656 – Single and Pair Skating Scale of Values (posted July 2024)
- ISU Technical Panel Handbook – Singles (updated July 2024)

Events starting prior to July 1, 2024, will utilize documents/rules in accordance with the associated official Competition Announcement

This document and official source documents can be found in Members Only section of the USFS website under either:  
*Skating Opportunities/Singles/Skating Rules and Resources* or *Officials/Skating Rules and Resources/Singles*

## Protocol Feedback - Singles Steps and Spins

**Protocol Feedback will not be implemented at the 2025 U. S. Figure Skating Championships or 2024 Excel Series Final.**

Specific directions for technical panel procedures are posted on the Technical Panel Information page in the Members Only section at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org).

Protocols for events indicated will offer specific feedback as follows:

### Step Sequences in Novice, Junior and Senior Singles:

The step will be leveled, and the following notations will appear in the column before the base values.

- Rotations Y (yes) or N (no)
- Body Y (yes) or N (no)
- Clusters Y (yes) or N (no)
- The order of appearance will be **rotations**, **body**, and **clusters** as listed in ISU Communication 2623.
- In Novice Step Sequences only, there will be a 0.5 bonus awarded to any step sequence that achieves a Level 4. See above

### Notes for Step Sequences:

- For the above levels, the final level assigned is also based on turns achieved.
- The number of turns achieved will not be shown.
- The final level is a field of play call and not subject to protest.

### Combination spins in Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior:

Where a "V" is assigned due to a missing position:

nC Indicates missing camel position

nS Indicates missing sit position

nU Indicates missing upright position

- This applies to CCoSp, FCCoSp, FCoSp, CoSp **if** the error relates to a missing position.
- The final level is a field of play call and not subject to protest.

Please direct questions to your event's technical panel captain or to Phillip DiGuglielmo, Chair, Singles Development and Technical Committee, at [sk8rphil@gmail.com](mailto:sk8rphil@gmail.com). Thank you for your support!