



## 2019-20 Ice Dance Calling Clarifications for Novice and Below

The information in this document supersedes the 2018-19 Calling Clarifications for Novice and Below.

**Deviations from ISU Communication #2188 are noted in blue.**

### Novice

**Pattern Dance** – Key points may NOT be viewed in slow motion.

Required Number of Sequences Not Skated – U.S. Figure Skating Rule 6075 (E)  
Side to Start Error Calling Specifications – U.S. Figure Skating Rule 6075 (H)

### **Free Dance**

#### **Step Sequences**

- The Chorographic Character Step Sequence (ChSt) may be performed anywhere in the program, must be placed around short axis (within 10 meters on either side of short axis), must proceed from barrier to barrier, may be in hold or not touching, touching ice with hand(s) is allowed, distance between partners is permitted as a maximum of four arms lengths apart (four meters).
- The in-hold step sequence will utilize the calling specifications of Style B. The order of performing these two elements is optional.

### Intermediate

**Pattern Dance** – Key points may NOT be viewed in slow motion.

Required Number of Sequences Not Skated – U.S. Figure Skating Rule 6075 (E)  
Side to Start Error Calling Specifications – U.S. Figure Skating Rule 6075 (H)

### **Free Dance**

#### **Lifts**

The full doughnut/ring position for the lifted partner will continue to be considered as a difficult position on its own (difficult hold/Interaction between partners not necessary).

#### **Step Sequences**

The step sequence will be called in accordance to Style B specifications.

#### **Spins and Combination Spins**

Spins and combination spins will be called in accordance with ISU Communication 2164 (*without* difficult entries/exits).

## **Juvenile**

**Pattern Dance** – Key points may NOT be viewed in slow motion.

Required Number of Sequences Not Skated – U.S. Figure Skating Rule 6075 (E)  
Side to Start Error Calling Specifications – U.S. Figure Skating Rule 6075 (H)

## **Free Dance**

### **Lifts**

The full doughnut/ring position for the lifted partner will continue to be considered as a difficult position on its own (difficult hold/interaction between partners not necessary).

### **Spins and Combination Spins**

Spins and combination spins will be called in accordance with ISU Communication 2164 (*without* difficult entries/exits).

### **Synchronized Twizzles**

Basic Requirements: Both partners complete at least one full rotation for the twizzle. The synchronized twizzle will be identified but given no level when one or both partners skate less than one full rotation each.

Calling Specifications:

1. If one or both partners touch(es) the free foot down during the execution of the turn, the level will be assessed in accordance with the number of clean rotations before the touchdown.
2. If the skaters perform a three-turn, check rotation and then start a twizzle, the entry edge and the number of rotations of that twizzle will be counted after the three-turn from the starting edge of the proper twizzle.
3. If there is a full stop before the twizzle, the level of the twizzle will be reduced by one level.
4. Synchronized twizzle executed as a spin or as checked three-turns:
  - If up to one rotation becomes a spin or checked three-turns, the synchronized twizzles will be reduced by one level.
  - If more than one rotation becomes a spin or checked three-turns, the synchronized twizzles will be called Level 1.

Refer to the following for additional information (all are located in the “Technical Info” section of the U.S. Figure Skating website):

ISU Communication #2239 – Ice Dance

ISU Communication #2188 – Ice Dance

2019-20 Ice Dance Free Dance Elements for Pre-Juvenile through Senior

2019-20 ISU Technical Panel Handbook – Ice Dance

2019-20 U.S. Figure Skating Pattern Dance Key Points

Additional information can be found in the “Technical Info” section on the U.S. Figure Skating website (<https://www.usfigureskating.org/story?id=84110>).