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<p>PRE-JUVENILE PAIRS</p> <p>2:00 +/- 10 sec</p> <p><u>Pre-juvenile pairs will be removed from the competition and test structure starting Sept. 1, 2020</u></p>	<p>1 Lift</p> <p>Group 1 Lift or Group 2 Waist Lift</p> <p>Variations of the lady's position, no-handed and one-handed lifts, combo lifts, lifts that include a carry feature, carry lifts and lifts that turn in both directions are NOT permitted</p> <p>Min ½ rev by man (no max)</p>	N/A	<p>1 (optional) Throw Jump</p> <p>Single</p>	<p>1 Solo Jump</p> <p>Single</p>	<p>1 Jump Sequence or Jump Combination</p> <p>Max 2 jumps in jump combination</p> <p>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</p> <p>Single jumps only</p>	<p>1 Solo Spin</p> <p>Min 3 revs</p> <p>No change of foot or position</p>	<p>1 Pair Spin</p> <p>Min 3 revs</p> <p>No change of foot or position</p>	<p>1 (optional) Pivot Figure</p> <p>No minimum requirements</p> <p>Pivot figure not eligible for features</p> <p>*If IJS is used, then: Regular 1-hand-to-1-hand hold required and both partners must execute min ½ rev with the man clearly in pivot position</p>	<p>1 Step Sequence*</p> <p>Utilizing one-half the ice surface</p> <p>Stroking both forward and backward, clockwise and counterclockwise</p> <p>*If IJS is used, then: ChSt</p>
<p>JUVENILE PAIRS</p> <p>2:30 +/- 10 sec</p>	<p>Max 1 Lift</p> <p>Lift may be chosen from Group 1 or Group 2</p> <p>Variations of the lady's position, no-handed and one-handed lifts, combo lifts, lifts that include a carry feature, carry lifts and lifts that turn in both directions are NOT permitted</p> <p>Min 1 rev by man (no max)</p>	N/A	<p>Max 1 Throw Jump</p> <p>Any throw single jump</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Throw double Salchow</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Throw double loop</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Jump</p> <p>Single or double</p>	<p>Max 1 Jump Sequence or Jump Combination</p> <p>Max 2 jumps in jump combination</p> <p>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</p> <p>Single or double jumps only</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Spin or Solo Spin Combination</p> <p>Min 5 revs</p> <p>Change of foot, change of position, and flying entry are optional</p> <p>If combination, must have all 3 basic positions to receive full value.</p>	<p>Max 1 Pair Spin</p> <p>Min 3 revs</p> <p>Change of position optional</p> <p>No change of foot</p>	<p>Max 1 Pivot Figure</p> <p>Regular 1-hand-to-1-hand hold required</p> <p>Pivot figure not eligible for features</p> <p>When the position is attained, both partners must execute min ½ rev with the man clearly in pivot position</p>	<p>Max 1 Choreographic Sequence</p> <p>Must be clearly visible</p>

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<p>INTERMEDIATE PAIRS</p> <p>3:00 +/- 10 sec</p>	<p>Max 2 Lifts</p> <p>Lifts can be selected from Groups 1-4 and must be different. <u>One must be from group 1 or 2</u></p> <p>Variations of the lady's position, no-handed and one-handed lifts, combo lifts, lifts that include a carry feature, carry lifts and lifts that turn in both directions are NOT permitted; however, if a pair executes a platter lift, the release of the lady's hands after the lift extension has been achieved is not a violation of this rule.</p> <p>Min 1 rev by man (no max)</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Max 1 Throw Jump</p> <p>Single or double</p> <p>Must be different</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Jump</p> <p>Single or double</p>	<p>Max 1 Jump Sequence or Jump Combination</p> <p>Max 2 jumps in jump combination</p> <p>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</p> <p>Single or double jumps only</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Spin or Solo Spin Combination</p> <p><u>Min 5 revs</u></p> <p><u>Change of foot, change of position, and flying entry are optional</u></p> <p><u>If combination, must have all 3 basic positions to receive full value.</u></p>	<p>Max 1 Pair Spin</p> <p>Min 5 revs</p> <p>No change of foot</p> <p>Optional change of position</p> <p>May not be commenced with a jump</p>	<p>Max 1 Death Spiral or Pivot Figure</p> <p>Regular 1-hand-to-1-hand hold required</p> <p>Pivot figure not eligible for features</p> <p>When the position is attained, both partners must execute min 1/2 rev with the knees of the man clearly bent and in full pivot position</p>	<p>Max 1 Choreographic Sequence</p> <p><u>Must be clearly visible</u></p>
<p>NOVICE PAIRS</p> <p>3:30 +/- 10 sec</p>	<p>Max 2 Overhead Lifts</p> <p>Lifts must be from different groups, and 1 must be from Group 3 or Group 4</p> <p>Variations of lady's position, no-handed, 1-handed, combo lifts and lifts that turn in both directions ARE permitted</p> <p>Carry lifts and carry features are NOT permitted</p> <p>Min 1 rev by man (no max)</p>	<p>Max 1 Twist Lift</p> <p>Single or double</p> <p>Take off must be flip or Lutz</p>	<p>Max 2 Throw Jumps</p> <p>Single, double or triple</p> <p>Must be different</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Jump</p> <p>Single, double or triple</p> <p>If double Axel or triple, must be different from jumps executed in the jump sequence / combination</p>	<p>Max 1 Jump Sequence or Jump Combination</p> <p>Max 2 jumps in jump combination</p> <p>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</p> <p>Both may include jumps with same name</p> <p>Single, double or triple jumps permitted</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Max 1 Pair Spin Combination</p> <p><u>Must be combination</u></p> <p><u>Min 8 revs</u></p> <p><u>With a least one change of foot by each partner, not necessarily at the same time (min 3 revs before and after change of foot)</u></p> <p><u>At least 2 different basic positions or their variations by each partner with at least 2 revs. each. Must have all 3 basic positions to receive full value.</u></p>	<p>Max 1 Death Spiral</p> <p>Regular 1-hand-to-1-hand hold required</p> <p>When the death spiral position is attained, both partners must execute min 1 rev with man in full pivot position</p> <p>Lady's head must reach the level of her skating knee</p>	<p>Max 1 Choreographic Sequence</p> <p>Must be clearly visible</p>

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<p>JUNIOR PAIRS 3:30 +/- 10 sec</p>	<p>Max 2 Overhead Lifts Not all from the same group Full extension of the lifting arms required Both lifts may include a carry feature, but only first attempt counts for level Carry lifts (1/2 rotation entry/exit) are permitted, but are not included in the allowed number of lifts (transitions only) Min 1 rev by man (no max)</p>	<p>Max 1 Twist Lift No limit to the number of revs Take off may be toe loop, loop, flip, Lutz or Axel</p>	<p>Max 2 Throw Jumps Must be different No limit to the number of revs</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Jump No limit to the number of revs If double Axel, triple or quad, must be different from jumps executed in the jump sequence / combination</p>	<p>Max 1 Jump Sequence or Jump Combination Jump combination may consist of 2 or 3 jumps Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump Both may include jumps with same name No limit to the number of revs</p>	N/A	<p>Max 1 Pair Spin Combination Must be combination Min 8 revs With a least one change of foot by each partner, not necessarily at the same time (min 3 revs before and after change of foot) At least 2 different basic positions or their variations by each partner with at least 2 revs. each. Must have all 3 basic positions to receive full value.</p>	<p>Max 1 Death Spiral When the death spiral position is attained, both partners must execute min 1 rev with man in full pivot position Lady's head must reach the level of her skating knee Variations of arm holds and pivot positions are allowed</p>	<p>Max 1 Choreographic Sequence Must be clearly visible</p>
<p>SENIOR PAIRS 4:00 +/- 10 sec</p>	<p>Max 3 Overhead Lifts Not all from the same group Full extension of the lifting arms required If 2 Group 5 lifts are executed, each must have a different take off (toe, step, reverse, backward or Axel) All lifts may include a carry feature, but only first attempt counts for level Carry lifts (1/2 rotation entry/exit) are permitted, but are not included in the allowed number of lifts (transitions only) Min 1 rev by man (no max)</p>	<p>Max 1 Twist Lift No limit to the number of revs Take off may be toe loop, flip, Lutz or Axel</p>	<p>Max 2 Throw Jumps Must be different No limit to the number of revs</p>	<p>Max 1 Solo Jump No limit to the number of revs If double Axel, triple or quad, must be different from jumps executed in the jump sequence / combination</p>	<p>Max 1 Jump Sequence or Jump Combination Jump combination may consist of 2 or 3 jumps Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump Both may include jumps with same name No limit to the number of revs</p>	N/A	<p>Max 1 Pair Spin Combination Must be combination Min 8 revs With at least one change of foot by each partner, not necessarily at the same time (min 3 revs before and after change of foot) At least 2 different basic positions or their variations by each partner with at least 2 revs. each. Must have all 3 basic positions to receive full value.</p>	<p>Max 1 Death Spiral Must be different from the death spiral in the short program When the death spiral position is attained, both partners must execute min 1 rev with man in full pivot position Lady's head must reach the level of her skating knee Variations of arm holds and pivot positions are allowed</p>	<p>Max 1 Choreographic Sequence Must be clearly visible</p>

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