Frequently Asked Questions – MI High School Series 2012

What is the minimum number of skaters per Team?

A team will consist of at least three (3) skaters from one high school or a unified team (rule #3, page 2 Announcement)

What is the minimum number of skaters per Level?

Level A and Level B teams must have a minimum of 2 skaters on their roster. No skater may perform more than 50% of the total number of elements (rule #5, page 4 Announcement). Level C teams have no minimum number of skaters, and the "50% of the skaters" rule does not apply

Note however that for the 2012/2013 season (next year), we will be following National rules which will require a minimum of 3 skaters per level.

Can a skater skate at different levels at the same competition?

A skater can skate at the level for which he/she is qualified, or at a higher level (rule #2, page 4)

At any single competition, skaters must compete at the SAME level for Jumps and Spins, but (test level permitting), may skate at a different level for Moves (rule #3, page 4)

For instance a skater who has tested to Novice Moves but only PreJuvenile Freeskate could skate B Jumps and Spins, but would have to skate A Moves.

Note that in the example above, the skater could CHOOSE to skate Level A Jumps and Spins, but if so must skate as A in BOTH jumps and spins if elements are performed from both categories

What are Maximum Test Levels per Discipline?

Level A: any tests allowed

Level B: Jumps/Spins = may not have passed Intermediate FS test (no restriction on MIF level)

Level B: Moves = may not have passed Novice MIF test

Level C: Jumps/Spins/Moves = may not have passed PreJuvenile MIF or Preliminary FS tests

Level A Sit Spin – can skater perform Back Sit? Or other variation??

The requirement is that the skater perform a solo spin (not combination – one position only) in the sit position. Either forward or back (right foot or left) is acceptable, but the skater may not change feet, which would make it a combination. There are 3 basic spin positions – upright, sit, and camel. If the spin is in the sit flavor of position, variations on the basic posture are permitted (again, no changes tho)

How many jumps permitted in Level A Split Sequence?

The announcement states "3-4 jumps, positions optional". Any jumps after the 4th will be ignored by the judges. Limited footwork is permitted between jumps, but in the interest of keeping within our available ice time, we discourage excessive footwork.

Level B Moves - For Intermediate FI Twizzles, should the pattern be skated down the blue line and back like for testing, or lengthwise on the arena?

Either way is acceptable. Most skaters so far have chosen to do this "back and forth", like for testing. Doing it the lengthwise on the arena saves a little time, and makes it more consistent with other elements performed. If the skater choses to to it lengthwise on the rink they should do right foot for half the length, then switch foot at the red line and do left foot for the second half.

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