## 2. MARKING GUIDE FOR GRADES OF EXECUTION OF REQUIRED ELEMENTS

GRADE OF EXECUTION of Pattern Dance Elements & Pattern Dances 2023/24												
SET CRITERIA	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3	+4	+5	
STEPS HELD FOR THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF BEATS	1RF: 7 or more Steps not held for required # of beats 2RF: 7 or more Steps not held for required # of beats  Out of Musical Structure					held for required # of beats  2RF: 4 or less Steps not held for required # of beats		1RF: 1 Step not held for required # of beats  2RF: 1 Step not held for required # of beats		100% of Steps/Edges held for required # of beats (for both partners)		
Note: A Step is a shared unit when calculating total # of steps, no matter if the error is executed by one or both partners.												
FALLS/ ERRORS/ LOSS OF CONTROL		2) Falls 0/OR ous errors	One (1) Fall or Serious errors	Two (2) Stumbles or Serious errors  Stumble/ Touchdown by both Or up to 25% element missed		One (1) Touchdown/ Loss of Control		Slight Loss of Control/ One (1) Touchdown (no break within the Element)		None		
Features	More than 8 negative features	7 – 8 negative features	gative features/errors than p 5 – 6 negative features	3 - 4 negative features	1 - 2 negative features	Basic execution – Generally correct	1 - 2 positive feature	3 - 4 positive features	5 - 6 positive features	7 - 8 positive features (no negative features/errors)	More than <b>8</b> positive features ( <b>no</b> negative features/errors)	
NEGATIVE FEATURES							POSITIVE FEATURES					
EXECUTION THROUGHOUT ELEMENT												
Poor execution and/or Element labored and/or Loss of Control with or without additional support  1 - 1 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -						Good quality - correctness, cleanness, deepness and sureness of Edges/Steps/Turns					2 - 4	
2. Incorrect Steps/Turns (per each) Eg: Choctaw instead of Mohawk						2. Smooth and Effortless					2	
3. Lack of unison						3. Unison and oneness throughout the element					2	
4. Lack of glide and flow (movement across the ice) 1 -						4. Glide and flow maintained (movement across the ice)						
5. Does not reflect character and style of the chosen rhythm						5. Nuances/accents reflects character and style of the chosen rhythm						
6. Not started on the prescribed beat (for each Section/Sequence)						6. Body lines and carriage of both partners stylish according to the chosen Rhythm						
Holds and positions incorrect and/or uncontrolled and/or variable spacing in between partners:     - less than 50% of pattern     - 50% or more of pattern						7. Holds and positions precise, consistent and close spacing between partners 1  8. Timing accurate 100%						
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