

Clarifications from the International Solo Ice Dance Working Group:

For Advance Novice Quickstep Pattern Dance:

- The technical panel will confirm the ChSt once the skater has reached the short axis.
- If the skater does not reach the short axis the element will be ignored.
- Any violation of the rules between the end of the Quickstep and the short axis will be reflected by the technical panel by using the ! symbol.
- If the ChSt goes beyond the short axis, it will be evaluated for the GOE until it ends. If there are any violations of the ChSt restrictions after the short axis, they will be ignored by both the technical panel and the judges.
- If there is a fall prior to the end of the ChSt either before or after the short axis, it will be called a fall in the element.

Technical Panel Notes:

1: There was confusion over the repeated type of Edge Element rule. The exception to repeating the type of Edge Element rule was written all on one line and the punctuation was hard to see which lead to the rule being misinterpreted. We have found it is easier to understand by separating the sentences by creating a new bullet point. Here is the way should read with the new bullet point in yellow, although no wording has changed:

Any Edge Element(s) or part of a Combination Edge Element of a repeated Type shall be classified as "not according to requirements" and will receive the abbreviation * (e.g., CrEe*). It indicates that the element receives No Value, it occupies a box, and it will count as an Edge Element. This does not apply to:

- The second part of a Combination Edge Element (composed of two Short Edge Elements on two curves forming a serpentine pattern) may repeat the type.
- If the position within the Combination Edge Element is repeated, it will be considered for level in both parts of the element when using the Change of Edge feature to connect both parts of the Edge Element and the position must be maintained throughout the Change of Edge.
- A maximum of two Spiral type Edge Elements can be used whether within a combination edge element, or as two short edge elements, or as one part of a combination element and as a short edge element. When the two Spiral type Edge Elements are not both within the same combination edge element, using the Change of Edge Difficult Feature, they must be in different positions.

This makes it clear that the type may be repeated in an Combo Edge Element and it is acceptable regardless of how the two parts are connected.

2: The software verification has a couple issues so please review for repeated edge elements and make sure they have an * where appropriate or, if there is an * when there shouldn't be one. Your accountant can manually fix this. (**remember, new this year, an * no longer means there is a -1 point deduction**)

3: If a skater does more Edge Elements than are allowed (like 3 in Juniors), the last one should be called "No Value" and have +ExEl attached to it (ie; the 3rd one in Juniors would read SpEe+ExEl). However, the deduction is not appearing when the ExEl is added. You will need to go to the deduction screen and add an Extra Element deduction when appropriate.

Please verify all deductions prior to authorizing and add or remove them as necessary.