



## **Primary Pairs changes due to ISU Communication 1886**

The ISU have recently released Communication 1886 with incorporates changes to ISU Novice Level requirements.

Ice Skating Australia is obliged to follow these rules for Primary Pairs as Primary Pairs follows **ISU Basic Novice Pairs** rules.

These updated technical requirements are effective immediately for all competitions and Primary Pair Tests. The following changes will be required to skaters programs:

- There must be one (1) step sequence fully utilising the ice surface (will be eligible for level features).

Primary Pairs perform the elements as listed for **ISU Basic Novice Pairs** Competitions.

Skaters and Coaches are advised to review the full ISU Communication 1886 for complete details.

Segments to be skated in Primary Pairs competitions are; Free Skate

The new elements are:

### **Free Skate**

A well balanced ISU Basic Novice Pairs Free Skate program must contain:

- a) Two different lifts of Group 1 to Group 2, one arm holds not allowed (full extension of the lifting arm of the partner is not required)
  - b) One Twist Lift (Single)
  - c) One Solo Jump (Single or Double)
  - d) One Solo Spin, no change of foot, change of position optional, min 5 revs
- OR
- a) One Pair Spin, min 5 revs
  - e) One Pivot Figure
  - f) One step sequence fully utilising the ice surface

### **Competition Implications**

The latest IJS software issued by the ISU includes the latest verification rules, when the Primary Pairs event is setup correctly.

### **Testing Implications**

Updated test papers will be released shortly, in the meantime Judges should ensure they are aware of the updated elements, and make the appropriate changes manually on the forms.

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