

# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

## Communication No. 2066

### SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

#### Clarifications regarding timing of programs, clothing Corrections to ISU Communications No. 2012, 2040 and 2041

#### 1. Special Regulations & Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2016

##### II. Technical Rules Synchronized Skating

##### A. General Technical Rules in Synchronized Skating

##### Rule 952 – Duration of Skating

##### Clarification for timing of a short and free program

The time must be reckoned from the moment that a Skater begins to move or to skate until arriving at a complete stop at the end of the program.

#### 2. Special Regulations & Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2016

##### Rule 951 paragraph 1 – Clothing Clarification

Rhinestones adhered to the face are not appropriate for athletic competition and are therefore considered garish and theatrical and will be penalized by a deduction (see Rule 843, paragraph 1.n).

#### 3. Corrections / Clarifications to ISU Communication No. 2012

##### Page 11, Pair Element Level 1 (one)

##### Pair Pivot

One (1) of the Skaters is pivoting 360° and the supported Skater is in a spiral or other position (may be upright) held for less than 360°

#### 4. Corrections / Clarifications to ISU Communication No. 2040

Page 5, ROTATIONAL AND LINEAR ELEMENTS - The title at the bottom of page should include the Line Element (L)

Skaters change places/positions with another Skater (C, L)

##### Page 12, Pair Pivot Errors – Clarification

The Pair(s) pivot a total of 360° but Skaters executing the fm/death spiral do not attain or hold the correct position for 360°

- lower one (1) level; if two (2) or three (3) pairs make an error
- lower two (2) levels; if four (4) or five (5) pairs make an error
- lower three (3) levels; if six (6) pairs make an error
- PaB is the lowest call

Pairs do not rotate 360° (correct or wrong position)

- PaB is called; if two (2) or more pairs do not rotate enough

To clarify the calls stated above: There are two (2) different errors for the Technical Panel to consider:

1. Pairs that do not rotate a total of 360°
2. Pairs that rotate 360° in total but the position of the other skater is not held for the entire 360°

**5. Corrections / Clarifications to ISU Communication No. 2041**  
**Page 5 Synchronized Spin (first column)**

<b>ELEMENT</b>		<b>Reduce by</b>	<b>No higher than</b>	<b>Increase by</b>
<b>Synchronized Spin (s)</b>	Spin(s) traveling / slow revolutions	1 to 3 grades		
	Touchdown of the free foot during spin(s)	1 to 3 grades		
	No unison during the entire spin (all 4 phases – <u>approach, entry/rise-up, spin, exit</u> )		-3	
	No unison during more than half of the spin (during 3 of the phases: <u>approach, entry/rise-up, spin, exit</u> )		-2	
	Loss of unison (during 1-2 of the phases: <u>approach, entry/rise-up, spin, exit</u> )	1 to 2 grades		
	Outstanding synchronization of the spin			2 grades

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