



MEMORANDUM

To: Skate Canada Skating Family
From: Renee Bellavance, Competitive Program Manager
Date: April 27, 2009
Subject: Summary of Changes for Ice Dance from Board of Directors Meeting

Please note the following changes that were supported by the Skate Canada Board of Directors at their meeting April 17-18, 2009.

These changes are ice dance specific and were brought to the Board after consultation with the ice dance coaching community.

They will be updated for the 2009/2010 season in the Rule Book and applicable technical documents. These updates will be effective July 1, 2009.

Ice Dance Well Balanced Program

Juvenile Free Dance:

- Spins will be called up to a maximum Level 2. All other elements will be called to maximum levels as per current practice.

Novice Free Dance:

- The two short lifts will be changed to one short lift and one long lift "a maximum of two different dance lifts, one of which may be a 12-second lift".

Compulsory Dance Rotations:

In June these items will be proposed to the Board as Rule Suspensions. The dance draw will be posted in June on Members Only.

Pre-Novice:

- European Waltz to replace the American Waltz

The following change will be made to the Notice Board:

Two of the four dances listed below shall be drawn for each qualifying event and skated in the order listed:

European Waltz, Keats Foxtrot, Harris Tango,
Rocker Foxtrot

Novice:

- Use two rotating groups of dances, add a Latin rhythm

Compulsories – Two of the four dances listed below shall be drawn for each qualifying event and skated in the order listed:

Year 1 - 2009-2010 – Starlight Waltz, Kilian,
Argentine Tango, Silver Samba
Year 2 - 2010-2011 – Paso Doble, Blues, Westminster
Waltz, Quickstep