The Danish Skating Unions test-system

This paper includes all relevant documents regarding the Danish solo skating test system.

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Where and How to pass the different tests?

Basic 1-test:

- Skaters can pass Basic 1 at test sessions hosted by clubs and/or through video test (see page 6)
- Clubs hosting a test invites one judge who is eligible to judge tests (all judges from the groups national, international or ISU)
- The club covers all travel expenses and a judging fee of 200 kr.
- The club is responsible for printing relevant documents "bedømmelseskort" and "anmeldelseskema". These can be found on DSU´s Dropbox
- The club is responsible for sending the "anmeldelsesskema" to DSUs secretary (Office@danskate.dk) with names of all participating skaters including skaters who passed and did not
- The club is responsible for paying 100 kr. for each passed part-test/full test to DSU. This fee also covers diplomas
- A skater can order a pin for their passed test. This can be marked on "anmeldelsesskema". The price is 60 kr. and will be added to the registration fee

Technical demands:

- The element-part has to be executed in a program to music.
- The skaters must get a min. GoE-score of 0 in all required elements.
- Skaters are not allowed to retry elements after the program

Basic 2- Gold (guldmærke), element-/component part:

General information

- Skaters can pass all tests (except basic 1) in competitions hosted by DSU or in competitions that can be approved by the DSU Technical Committee
- If a skater passes a test at a competition, the clubs is to send in "Judges Details" (electronically) with information of: name of the competition, date and regarding which test. Futhermore the club is to send the list of the officials judging the specific segment
- This information and material must be sent to Charlotte Holm Nielsen (Charlotteholmnielsen@Yahoo.dk) for approval

- The "Judges Details" are evaluated by Charlotte Holm Nielsen and Christine Hestbech from DSU Technical Committee
- The club is responsible for paying 150 kr. for each passed part-test/full test to DSU. The fee covers registration and diplomas. A skater can order a pin for their passed test. The price is 60 kr. and will be added to the registration fee
- Charlotte Holm Nielsen will give her reply and inform the office (DSU) within 10 days

Technical requirements

- It is only possible to pass one full test at one competition
- All elements must be executed in the same program
- The" Judges details" must be from the ongoing season
- Among the evaluation of the judges it is accepted that one element is evaluated as GoE -1 or higher. The rest of the required elements must achieve an evaluation among the judges of 0 or higher. The calculation of the average mean GoE is evaluated amongst all the judges even if the highest and lowest mark is withdrawn
- A jump element cannot be accepted with "<", "<<" or "e"
- A spin cannot be accepted with" V"
- All test can be passed in both short program and free skating.

Private competitions – approved as test-competitions

Protocols from privately hosted competitions can be accepted if:

- The panel consists of a majority of judges, technical specialist/controllers at national, international or ISU level.
- All officials in the panel have the qualified level to judge the segment they are appointed to.
- The competion is held in accordance to the rules of DSU[1]

Only protocols from national competitions, DSU- and private- competitions, can be used for approval.

[1] See the Danish Figure Skating Unions rules, "konkurrenceregler" and "Kunstskøjtereglementet"

The test system – 5 different tests: Basic 1, Basic 2, Bronze, Silver (Sølv) and Gold (Guld)

All tests include one element part and one component part.

- A complete test is passed when both parts of the test is passed
- Tests are to be passed in order. Starting from basic 1
- Parts of tests can be passed independently

Basic 1:

Element requirements:

- USp minimum level basic
- Jump combination consisting of two single jumps
- Single Loop, Flip or Lutz (1Lo, 1F, 1Lz)

Basic one elements must be executed in a program to music.

Component/figure requirements:

All exercises must be done on the complete circles and at least 2/3 must be approved.

Exercise 1:	Forward and backwards crossovers clockwise and counter clockwise
Exercise 2:	Three turns on a circle clockwise and counter clockwise
Exercise 3:	Mohawks-clockwise and counter clockwise

Basic 2:

Element requirements:

- Single Axel (1A)
- Jump combination including single Flip (1F) or single Lutz (1Lz)
- Sit Spin (SSp) or camel spin (CSp) minimum level base

Component requirements

- Minimum 1,80 in Skating Skills
- Minimum 1,80 in average component score

Bronze

Element requirements:

- One Double jump
- Single Axel (1A) in combination with a single or double jump or a *jump-combination* with a higher base value.
- A spin at minimum level 1 (cannot be USp or SSp)

Component requirements:

- Minimum 2,30 in Skating Skills
- Minimum 2,25 in average component score

Silver (Sølv):

Element requirements:

- Jump combination with double loop (2Lo), double Flip (2F) or double Lutz (2Lz) and minimum a single jump
- Spin combination (CCoSp or CoSp) minimum level 2
- Flying Spin (FSp). ~~An average GoE score of minus 1 is accepted~~
- Step sequence (StSq) minimum level 1.

Component requirements:

- Minimum 2,80 in Skating Skills
- Minimum 2,75 in average component score

Guld

Element requirements:

- Jump combination with two double jumps.
- Optional Spin minimum level 3
- Flying spin (FSp) minimum level 2
- Step sequence (StSq) minimum level 2

Component requirements:

- Minimum 3,30 in Skating Skills
- Minimum 3,10 in average component score

Video tests – Basic 1

Will be judged by

- Judge/Controller: Jesper Holkjær Gormsen (Holkjaer06@gmail.com)

Skaters can pass Basic 1 through video-tests. A maximum of 6 programs can be sent in at a time. Coaches who wish to use video tests must contact Jesper Holkjær Gormsen (Holkjaer06@gmail.com) at least 7 days prior to the test day with the following information:

- Place, date and time of the day the test is to be held
- Name(s), last name(s) and date of birth(s) of the participant(s) at the tests
- If the skater(s) wants a test-pin if they pass and if so which address this/these is to be send
- Which tests the video is concerning (free skating or elements) and which skaters is trying which parts

Procedure:

- Date and time must appear on the video. NB. Time of the warm up does not have to be visible
- The skaters are called to start in the order they are announced in the mail. The video must not end before the last skater has finished his/her test attempt. The video must be without breakes

Important information:

- The video must be in good quality, HD is preferable. The video must be uploaded to *Google Drev* and the link must be forwarded to Holkjaer06@gmail.com
- It is preferable that skaters are followed by the coach in a calm manner
- If single Flip (1F) or single Lutz (1Lz) is chosen, the edge must be clear from the video, meaning that the take-off must be filmed directly in front or behind the skater
- The judging fee is 200 kr. The request will be send by Jesper Holkjær Gormsen

If the above mentioned is not fulfilled, the skater will not pass the test

Evaluation:

The Judge and Technical Specialist will give their feedback within 10 days. The reply will be forwarded by Jesper Holkjær Gormsen.