

## **4200 Qualification to Apply for Test Credit from IJS Protocol** *(from page 155, 2021-22 USFS Official Rulebook)*

**4201** In lieu of taking a free skate, pair or partnered free dance test at the juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior or senior levels, or an adult silver through adult senior free skate test, at a test session, candidates may elect to submit their protocol from a U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned nonqualifying competition conducted under the IJS, where they have met the minimum passing scores as defined in rule 4202. Skaters must have met the prerequisites for the test by the date of the competition and must have competed in the applicable event at the level they are wishing to pass (i.e. any skater who wishes to pass the juvenile free skate test at a competition must compete and earn the minimum passing scores in a juvenile/open juvenile free skate event).

A. The protocol will be verified by the IJS Companion program and, for skaters meeting the minimum requirements for that respective level, an individual test credit skater report will be generated. Skaters must obtain this report together with their individual detailed protocol.

B. Candidates must also obtain an overall copy of the appropriate event segment results with the signature of the event referee and technical controller. The candidate's total score must match the scores on their individual protocol.

C. Candidates must submit A and B to the test chair or duly authorized representative of their home club, along with a statement from their coach verifying that the results are correct and unaltered. Individual members may submit the documents directly to U.S. Figure Skating headquarters.

D. Candidates have one year from the time they achieved the requirements at a competition to submit their documents for test credit; however, skaters who register for a qualifying regional/sectional competition or adult sectional qualifying event (rule 2401) forgo the option to submit an IJS protocol at a higher level that is dated prior to the end date of the last qualifying competition in which the skater participates within that season, depending on skater advancement. For example, if a skater registers to compete in junior singles and qualifies to compete at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, that skater cannot submit an IJS protocol for senior free skate test credit that is dated prior to the date of their junior free skate event at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships. See also rules 2422 and 2543.

**4202** The minimum passing scores for each respective test defined in rule section 4200 is defined as follows:

A. The minimum passing score will consist of a total element score (TES), a program component score (PCS), and a total segment score (TSS). The candidate must achieve at least the minimum in all three scores, and each executed element must have a panel score greater than 0.00.

B. The minimum passing scores will be determined annually by the Tests Committee and the respective Singles, Pairs and Dance Development and Technical Committees, and published via Technical Notifications.

C. The minimum passing TES will be based upon the composite base value of all elements required at each level per the current ISU scale of values document.

D. The minimum passing PCS will be based upon the composite of test-level expectations and reasonable competition-level expectations, using current program component factors.

E. The minimum passing TSS will be the minimum passing TES + minimum passing PCS.

F. Skaters requesting test credit through their IJS protocol must follow the procedure outlined in rule 4201.