# U.S. FIGURE SKATING IJS PROTOCOL for TEST CREDIT – INFORMATION OVERVIEW (ATHLETES, COACHES, TEST CHAIRS, COMPETITION CHAIRS)

In accordance with Rules TR 3.00, 4.01 and 4.02, which go into effect November 1, 2017, athletes may receive credit for meeting minimum scores at any competition held under the International Judge System (IJS). The athlete must "skate-up" to the event they are seeking test credit for, in addition to having already passed any prerequisites prior to the competition event.

#### Events eligible:

Singles Free Skate: Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior and Adult Gold

<u>Pairs Free Skate</u>: Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior Free Dance: Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior

Click on the links above to see the required minimum scores for each level and event.

#### **FOR ATHLETES**

## YOU ACHIEVED THE MINIMUM SCORES FOR RECEIVING TEST CREDIT FOR A COMPETITION EVENT YOU "SKATED UP" IN. WHAT DO YOU DO?

**STEP 1:** While you are at the competition collect copies of the documents below. It is also recommended that you take pictures of them for safe keeping. Ask the competition for a "Test Credit Packet" which includes:

- A copy of the overall event results, that lists all of the skaters, in addition to the names of the Technical Controller and Event Referee. This is to prove the skater actually skated in the event.
- 2. Your individual protocol
- 3. Your **Test Credit Skater Report**, generated by the accountant. This has your name, your scores and verifies you achieved a passing result.

**STEP 2:** Obtain a written statement from your coach verifying that the above documents are true and valid. The coach may write their own statement, they may choose to use the sample document included in this packet, or your club may have a pre-printed form they can simply sign.

**STEP 3:** Submit these documents to your club's Test Chair, along with the appropriate payment and request that the club record your test through the Members Only program, <a href="www.usfsaonline.org">www.usfsaonline.org</a>

Each club may request this information in their preferred format. (For example, scan or upload picture files of the documentation to an online form, or submit paper copies, etc.). The important thing is that your club's test chair obtains copies of documents 1-3, in step 1 and a verification from your coach.



### FOR COACHES

In accordance with TR 4.00, in order for an athlete to receive test credit for IJS protocol, their coach must verify in writing, that the documents provided are correct and unaltered. Coaches may fill out this form, write their own supporting statement, or simply sign a test form created by a club with the statement pre-printed on it.

Please deliver a copy of this form (or statement) to the Test Chair of the Home Club of the test candidate, via the preferred method of the club (i.e., email, upload to a web site, paper, etc.)

Athlete's Name:	
Athlete's Home Club:	
Test Requesting Credit For:	
Name of competition:	
Date of competition:	
Canaly's Name	
Coach's Name:	
Coach's USFS #:	
Coach's PSA #:	
I verify that the athlete listed above is eligible to receive Test Credit through IJS protocol. I have seen the unaltered and correct scores, which match the protocol the athlete is submitting. I understand that altering a protocol sheet to meet the test requirement is considered an ethics violation of U.S. Figure Skating and The Professional Skaters Association.	
Coach's Signature	
Date:	