

ART NEWS FLASH 15 January, 2020

RollArt and Officials Updates

RollArt Events 2020

All Dance and Freeskating events, including Area level events, will be judged under RollArt in 2020. The new version of the RollArt software has been released by World Skate and will be uploaded onto the computers and tested over the coming weeks. The computers, head sets etc. needed for running RollArt events in competition will be made available to clubs in 2020. When your club submits its permit for a competition please also request use of the RollArt system by sending an email request to the Artistic Committee at artistic.secretary@gmail.com

Since its introduction in 2018, the World Skate RollArt scoring system is progressively establishing itself in New Zealand. As a result there is a need to clarify some of the role expectations in terms of who does what and to provide answers to questions that have been asked regarding the interpretation of one of the World Skate rules.

Ethics and Tech specialists giving advice

All officials need to know and understand the World Skate Code of Ethics. This provides information and guidance on what and how officials should conduct themselves.

A copy of the World Skate code of conduct has been attached with this newsflash. Alternatively, the code of conduct can be found on the World Skate website. Please also see the 2020 NZ Artistic Regulations for rules pertaining to domestic skating and competition.

If Technical Specialists receive any queries about scoring at any event, they should refer ALL queries directly to the Referee for the specific event in question. This will ensure that the Referees are the central point of contact, for this type of communication.

When general advice outside of competition events is sought, and, if giving such advice is necessary, Technical Specialists should refer to the World Skate rules and regulations to ensure any advice given, is correct, up to date and correctly understood. DO NOT go from memory, as this could lead to mistakes, confusion and inconsistent interpretation.

To help build a collective understanding, as we continue to grow, Technical Specialists are encouraged to email any queries they have to the RollArt NZ Steering Committee, at rollartnz@gmail.com

Footwork Base Level Requirements (All disciplines):

To achieve a Base Level for footwork you only need to make a clear attempt at recognisable footwork elements, steps and linking steps. Provided it also fulfills the floor coverage and time requirements. You do NOT have to be attempting the one foot turns required for Level 1 or higher. Primary footwork such as chasses, swings, mohawks, cross in fronts, spreadeagles etc. will suffice.

To get a Level 1 - you have to include 4 of the specified turns and one other feature, and they have to be done well enough to be counted. If a Level 1 is aimed for and the skater doesn't get all their turns counted then they will at least get a base level, because, even though the turns did not receive a level the skater has performed footwork.

Official Commissions

As a transition framework and accreditation pathway for domestic RollArt Officials Commissions is now in place, the freeze on new and upgrading commissions for both White System and RollArt has been lifted. The Artistic Committee will now consider any applications for new and upgrading commissions on a case by case basis.

Official's Dress Code

The Dress Code for Officials at Competitions or Medal Tests in New Zealand is:

A reasonable standard of dress is mandatory. A corporate look is required with the colours being navy or black with a white or cream top. Men may wear grey trousers for non-World Skate events. Jeans and tracksuit pants are not considered corporate wear.

This dress code applies to all officials which includes Judges, Technical Specialists, Data Entry Operators, Assistants and Scribes, Marshalls, Calculators and any trainees or mock judges.

RollArt Results

The Artistic Committee have decided on the following process for distributing RollArt results from Area and New Zealand Championships: the Chief Calculator and/or their team at each event will email the results from each day to the team manager for each club.

Please circulate this News Flash to all your club members.

Yours In Skating,

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