

TECHNICAL DRILL JUDGE A

The Technical Drill Judge A will judge the Leader and Team members for aspects of leg and foot action, posture, arm swing, halts, turns, moving to Stand at Ease and attention, spacing, head turns, salutes and tempo throughout the Review and Inspection phase. Additionally, this judge will record the number of marchers, **verify the correct positioning of marchers, mark the score sheet accordingly, and notify the Chief Judge of any non-compliance.** The criteria defining all these aspects are detailed in the Policies & Operations Manual (Technical).

Judging will commence on completion of the music command "BY THE CENTRE – QUICK MARCH" and will cease on completion of the Caliper Check (after the inspection)

Teams will be judged on their performance of incorrect drills during each movement.

During the Inspection a deduction will be given for the incorrectness of each marcher's individual Position of Attention.

Please refer to Section 12 General Requirements for judging details on "Marking Score Sheets (Technical Judges).

Standing Position

3.0 metres in front of and 3.0 metres to the right of the leaders finish disc (when facing the team). This position may be varied slightly as required but must be maintained in the same place throughout each grade.

General

1. All aspects executed by team members must be uniform, unless otherwise stated.
2. While observing the team member's performance, the number of incorrect aspects will be marked in the headings.
3. If a team/member executes a variation of drills within a movement then a deduction of 25 points will be taken under the heading 'VOD' (Variation of Drill). The Judge will make an appropriate comment on the back of the sheet explaining why a deduction has been applied.

Score Sheet Headings

All aspects will be judged as per Section 2 Drills and Drills for Review & Inspection, Drills for Quickstep/Compliments/Movements in the Policy and Operations Manual (Technical).

Disc:

When the Review & Inspection finish disc is not obtained by the Leader (any part of the correct foot on the disc) there will be a deduction of 2 points given, as defined in the Policy & Operations Manual (Technical) under the Review and Inspection of each grade.

Discipline/Error:

Discipline - Talking or counting aloud during any phase of the competition is not permissible. The judge will penalise the team as detailed under "Discipline" of the Policy & Operations Manual (Technical) – General – Section 1.

Error - Deductions will be made for any marcher error throughout the Review & Inspection and the judge will record errors on their sheet accordingly.

Inspection:

Under 13, Under 18, Senior

Immediately following the final salute, the Judge will commence the Inspection of Marchers, from either the front or the back of the team, as shown in the diagrams. The same direction must be used for all teams in that grade.

Each incorrect element will be marked with a stroke in the appropriate box.

The Judge will then promptly return to the team to conduct the Caliper Check. Once the Caliper Check is complete, the Judge will instruct the Leader to proceed to the Technical Assembly Disc.

Calipers Check: (Spacing)

The Judges track for the Caliper check will be as follows: -

Under 13, Under 18, Senior - Leader-1, 1-2, 2-3, 3-4, 4-5, 5-6, 6-7, 7-8, 8-9.

One point per incorrect spacing will be deducted – maximum deduction = 9points.

A tolerance of 2.5cms either side of the correct measurement (in all grades) shall be permitted. The judging of spacing will be determined by the distance between identical positions of the same foot of adjacent marchers (e.g. the back of the heel).

Comments

It is encouraged that judges complete the 'areas of improvement' section on the back of the sheet. This may assist both the Judge and the Coach during the post-contest interview.

While Coaches will still need to know what aspects require attention, positive comments are encouraged for drills executed correctly.

