TECHNICAL DRILL JUDGE E

The Technical Drill Judge E will judge the Leader and team members for the number of marchers, the number of marchers incorrectly positioned, all aspects of heads, arm-swing, posture, hands, tempo, discipline, leg and foot action and recording of the Quickstep paces as per the headings on the sheet. TEMPO is the most important aspect of the Technical Drill Judge E judging and persons who cannot readily identify with the requirements for tempo should not avail themselves of to this judging position. The criteria defining all of these aspects are detailed in the Policies & Operations Manual (Technical).

The Technical E Judge will be responsible along with the chief judge and/or chief marshal, to determine if the team has four or more members who are out of tempo, after the completion of the quickstep and prior to the completion of the whistle signal to the first movement. The Technical E judge shall signal the fact by raising their arm above their head and where applicable will cease judging.

Judging will commence for each member for the straight marching requirements on completion of the Quickstep phase after the step-out pace and on each occasion after the step-out pace has been taken by each member from a movement. In the case of the Quickstep phase not being performed at the beginning of the Quickstep/Compliments/ Movements, the Judge will cease judging from the step out pace of the Quickstep and commence judging after the Quickstep has been completed.

Judging for the straight marching requirements will cease after the whistle signal has been given for each movement.

Judging will cease at the completion of the whistle signal for the final movement.

Quickstep/Compliments

The Technical Drill Judge E will judge the "Quickstep/Compliments" section for the Under 13, Under 18, Senior and Masters Grades.

The deduction guidelines will be as follows:

Paces Taken	<u>Deduction</u>
20	0
19 or 21	1
18 or 22	2
17 or 23	3
16 or 24	4
15+ or 25+	5

When marking the "Quickstep Announcement" sheet, the number of paces taken will be written accordingly, as it is the number of paces that will be announced, not the relevant award.

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

Seated Position

Under 13 and Under 18 Grades - 2.50 metres back from the front boundary line and 3.75 metres (5 senior paces) to the right of the centre of the circle (when looking from the front boundary).

Senior and Masters Grades - 2.50 metres back from the front boundary line and 4.50 metres (6 senior paces) to the right of the centre of the circle (when looking from the front boundary)

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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. Apart from the Quickstep phase, it is not a requirement of the Tech E Judge to know the number of paces between each movement.

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).

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.

Comments

The rear of the score sheet has a pre-printed comments section and judges are encouraged to complete the 'areas of improvement' section. 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.

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