SKILLS

Skill

Description

Minimum Performance Standard

STAR	3	
STAR 3 Stroking (Power)	Starting from forwards skating, the skater will complete a large circle of forward crosscuts at one end of the ice (between blue line and goal line) in either clockwise or counter-clockwise direction. The crosscuts will be performed using the "tempo" pacing of 2 crosscuts with 4 – 2 beat pushes and 4 crosscuts using 8 – 1 beat pushes. The skater repeats this tempo of crosscuts for an entire circle and continues until they have reached the corner of the ice to start their X pattern. The 1 st part of the X is executed by performing a 2-foot forward slalom to the mid line (red line) of the ice. At the mid line, the skater will then shift the slalom to 1 foot for the remaining of the X which will proceed diagonally to the opposite corner. At this corner the skater will perform at 3-turn or FI Mohawk to turn backwards. The skater will repeat this exercise with a backward tempo crosscut circle and a backward 2-foot slalom to 1-foot slalom across this ice diagonally. Skaters must practice this in both starting directions (CW and CCW).	One full pattern must be performed. Skater may choose starting direction Reasonable for level: - *Acceleration and knee action - 75% of exercise demonstrating proper pushing technique (fwd and bwds) - Stable for 75% or more of the exercise
Forward spiral circles	As in STAR 1, skaters may start in clockwise or counter clockwise direction. Skating on a large circle forwards, skaters will gain enough speed to execute a forward spiral on their leg of choice. After holding the spiral for as long as they can, they may skate around the same circle with as many steps as they like and perform another forward spiral on the opposite foot. This exercise must then be repeated in the opposite direction.	All 4 forward spirals must be performed. (RFO, LFO, RFI, LFI) Reasonable for level: - *Body line, 1 spiral per foot hip level or higher - 1 spiral must be held 3 seconds or more and other spiral must be held for no less than 2 seconds - Reasonable control and edge quality (no straight lines)

Field move of choice	Backward 1-foot sit glide: See description in STAR 1 (Fwd 1-foot sit glide)	
	- Skater must demonstrate a 90-degree angle or more	Only 1 field move to be performed
	Forward Y Spiral: Skater holds free leg by the skate or blade to side to create a Y stance.	
	- Free foot to reach shoulder height or higher	Reasonable for level:
	Spread eagle: See description in STAR 1	- *Body line
	- May be performed on an inside or outside curve with straight legs.	- Position held for 2 seconds or more
	Ina Bauer: See description in STAR 1	- Reasonable balance
	- Performed on a straight line or a curve facing outside	& control