

TOPS State Testing Scoring Guidelines

Each of the three events will have 4 areas of judgment. Some skills will be grouped, such as “two casts above horizontal”. Total areas of judgments for all three events will be 12 sectional scores for a maximum of 72 points.

Four possible score areas per section are as follows:

Incomplete	Average	Good	Excellent
0 points	2 points	4 points	6 points
Within each section an example of the following occurs			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All skills incomplete within the sequence. • Coach spots • Extremely poor quality & athlete falls after completion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All skills complete with 1 large error & or with a many errors • All skills complete but not as written • Fall after completion of 1 skill performed excellently • Soft, slow & or labored 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All skills complete as written with few minor error(s) • All skills complete with no major errors • Completed skills easily • No falls or major balance errors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All skills complete as written with very minor error(s) • Completed skills easily with artistry

General comments:

- Routines need to be done in entirety and not sections.
- The evaluation emphasis will be on technique, form, execution, body shape throughout the major elements.
- No elements or sections may be repeated a second time on beam & floor.
On bars – 10 Year Old – kip cast pirouette may be repeated a second time only if they are not interrupted by a fall, stop or spot. No other elements or sections may be attempted a second time.
- Omitting a listed element will receive an incomplete section.
- Adding an element – just ignore extra skills.
- Spotting to assist the athlete except where noted will be an incomplete section.
- Coaching an athlete during competition will be incomplete section or event.
- Skills must be done in order as listed.