



**LAUSANNE (SUI), Tuesday, June 21, 2022**

Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome all our old and new Judges to the first newsletter of the 15<sup>th</sup> cycle.

This Newsletter is listed as N° 1 because all the information contained in previous Newsletters has now been incorporated into the Code of Points.

The FIG MTC has made the following interpretations and clarifications, regarding the 2022 MAG Code of Points, at their February 2022 meeting in Qatar and at their May/June 2022 meeting in Croatia.

The information below responds to frequently asked questions since the latest version of the CoP 2022 – 2024 was published and is separated into two distinct sections, Clarifications to the Code of Points and new elements successfully performed in recognized competitions.

## **I. Clarifications to the 2022-2024 Code of Points**

### **General**

#### **Spraying of the apparatus**

Spraying of the apparatus is not permitted (except on Parallel bars). However, gymnasts may wet their hands and pat the apparatus. The safety of the athletes is always the most important consideration of the MTC.

#### **Upgrading of Judging Category**

We have received several inquiries regarding upgrading of judges' categories within this cycle. Page 5 of The General Judges' Rules notes the following:

*“Regional Courses in-person may be held in 2023, allowing qualified judges to receive brevets through Category 2 (including upgrades). More information will be released mid-2022 through an addendum to these General Judges' Rules.”*

[https://www.gymnastics.sport/publicdir/rules/files/en\\_General%20Judges%27%20Rules%202022-2024.pdf](https://www.gymnastics.sport/publicdir/rules/files/en_General%20Judges%27%20Rules%202022-2024.pdf)

Please note that it is not possible to upgrade to Category 1 during this cycle.



## Pommel Horse

As stated in the CoP 11.2.2.2.a.1, all circle elements must begin and end in front support. Magyar travel must be completed in front cross support facing outward to receive D credit. Exception for Magyar travel directly to Sivado will receive D and D (CoP 11.2.2.2.a.3.vii).

An attempted Magyar travel (III.40) finishing in cross support rearways followed by  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn backward to side support is not a complete Magyar travel and will receive B value for  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{2}{3}$  cross travel.

## Vault

During warm-up, the gymnast is only entitled to 2 attempted vaults. Standing on the horse and performing a jump or salto to landing is regarded as a warm-up attempt.

For example, if a gymnast performs two vaults from a run, and then remounts the horse to perform a salto or jump off the horse to a landing, this will be considered as a 3<sup>rd</sup> warm up attempt and will be deducted 0.3 as per the Code of Points.

## II. New Elements performed without large error since Newsletter #39 was published.

### POMMEL HORSE

#### Artur DAVTYAN (ARM)

- Reverse Stöckli with 270° t. (Bezugo technique) from side support on 2 pommels to 1 pom.
- C value (EG II) #81,
- Performed successfully for value in the Qualifications of the 2022 World Cup in Cairo (EGY)
- Name awarded: **DAVTYAN**



#### Pavel TITOV (FIN)

- Any 3/3 travel with  $\frac{1}{2}$  Spindle from one pommel over the other pommel.
- D value (EG III) #28, into the same box with NIN REYES
- Performed successfully for value in the Qualifications of the 2021 World Challenge Cup in Osijek (CRO)
- Name awarded: **TITOV**





## Taylor BURKHART (USA)

- Any 3/3 travel with full Spindle from one end to another.
- E value (EG III) #35, into the same box with URZICA 2
- Performed successfully for value in the Qualifications of the 2022 World Challenge Cup in Varna (BUL)
- Name awarded: **BURKHART**



Respectfully,



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