

# **UDA – VARSITY INTERMEDIATE SKILL RESTRICTIONS**

# A. TUMBLING AND SKILLS (Executed by Individuals)

- 1. Weight bearing skills (with or without hip over-head rotation skills) must not be connected to any other tumbling skill or technical element. Dancer(s) must come to a complete stop with both feet on the performance surface for at least one count before executing another skill/move. The stop/completion of one technical skill cannot be a prep into another technical skill.
- 2. Hip over-head rotation skills with hand support are not allowed while holding poms in the supporting hand. (Exception: forward rolls and backward rolls are allowed).
  - a. The use of hands free poms for hip over-head skills is allowed. \*Please reference the Hands-Free Poms section for more details\*
- 3. Tumbling skills with hip over-head rotation:
  - b. Airborne skills without hand support are not allowed. (Exception: Headsprings with hand support not connected to any other skill or technical element are allowed).
  - c. Simultaneous tumbling over or under another dancer that includes hip over-head rotation by both dancers is not allowed.
  - d. Choreographed drops to the knee, thigh, back, front, head, shoulder, or seat onto the performing surface are not allowed unless the dancer first bears weight on the hand(s) or foot/feet.
- 4. Landing in a push-up position onto the performance surface from a jump in which the legs are in front of the body and swing behind are not allowed.
  - e. All variations of a shushunova (see glossary) are not allowed.
- 5. Kip ups with hand support must initiate from the back/shoulder area touching the ground. Kip ups with hand support are allowed and must not be connected to any other skill or technical element.

\*Note: The following are lists of commonly known dance skills. This does not mean that they are required for your routine, nor does this list encompass all skills that are legal/illegal. \*

#### ALLOWED:

Front/Back Walkovers	Forward Rolls
Kip Ups (with hands)	Backbends
Round Off	Backward Rolls
Shoulder Rolls	Handstands
Stalls/Freezes	Cartwheels
Headsprings (with hands)	Headstands

#### NOT ALLOWED:

Front Tucks	Back Tucks
Back Handsprings	Layouts
Front Aerials	Shushanova
Barani	Side Somi
Aerial Cartwheels	Front Handsprings
No handed headsprings	Windmills
Dive Rolls	Head Spins
Toe Pitch	

# **B. DANCE LIFTS AND PARTNERING (Executed in pairs or groups)**

- 1. The Executing Dancer must receive support from a Supporting Dancer who is in direct contact. with the performance surface through the entire skill. (Exception: Kick Line Leaps).
- 2. Thigh stands, shoulder sits, and chair sits are allowed.
- 3. The following cheer-based stunts are not allowed:
  - a. Elevators
  - b. Extended cheer stunts (the lifted dancer is extended in an upright position over the base(s) who maintain fully extended arms and have the lifted dancers' feet in hands)
  - c. Pyramids and basket tosses
- 4. Swinging in and out of lifts and tricks in the prone and/or supine positions is not allowed; swinging forwards, backwards, or making a complete circular rotation will not be allowed if the Executing Dancer is in a prone position (body facing the ground).
- 5. Executing Dancer(s) must be in direct contact with the performance surface to execute a skill with hip over head rotation. Hip over head rotation cannot initiate from an elevated surface or performer.
- 6. Executing Dancer(s) must be in direct contact with the performance surface to execute a Vertical Inversion. Vertical Inversions cannot initiate from an elevated surface or performer.
- 7. Assisted kip ups with hand support are allowed; the Executing Dancer must receive support from a Supporting Dancer who is in direct contact with the performance surface through the entire skill.

# C. RELEASE MOVES (Unassisted Dismounts to the performance surface)

1. The Executing Dancer(s) may not be released.

#### D. TECHNICAL SKILL/ELEMENT RESTRICTIONS

- 1. Stationary turns are allowed provided the following:
  - a. Pirouette turns may be executed in a passe, coupe, pencil, or attitude position and are limited to two rotations. Clarification: Touching/holding the working leg during the turn sequence is not permitted.
  - b. Leg hold turns and illusions are limited to one rotation.
  - c. Axels and/or tours are not permitted.
  - d. Dancer(s) must come to a complete stop with both feet on the performance surface for at least one count before executing another skill/move. The stop/completion of one technical skill cannot be a prep into another technical skill. The stop/completion of one technical skill cannot be a prep into another technical skill.
  - e. Chaine' and pique turns in succession are allowed provided they are only connected to themselves.
    - i. Chaine's and piques cannot be connected to any other skill/technical element.
    - ii. Chaine's and piques are not allowed out of stationary or fouetté turns, etc.
    - iii. Piques are limited to a single rotation.

# f. Chaine' connecting to a fanning battement/kick is allowed.

- 2. Fouette turns/A la Seconde turns sequences are allowed provided the following:
  - a. Teams are limited to a maximum of two separate sequences. These can be performed.
    - by one or more team members. Turn sequences may not be performed consecutively.
  - b. Turn sequences are limited to Fouette turns, A la Seconde turns and Pirouettes only.
    - i. Single and double pirouette turns within the sequence may be in passé, coupe, pencil, and attitude positions. Clarification: Touching/holding the working leg during the turn sequence is not permitted.
    - ii. Floats are not permitted.
    - iii. No changing spots/directions
  - c. Turn sequences are limited to one eight count of turning. This does not include the preparation or ending/completion of the turn sequence. (Example: Preparation on counts 7-8, three a la seconde turns into a double pirouette on counts 1-8, completion/landing on count 1.)
  - d. Dancer(s) must come to a complete stop with both feet on the performance surface for at least one count before executing another skill/move.
    - i. Clarification: The stop/completion of the turn sequence cannot be a prep into another technical skill.

- 3. Leaps/Jumps are allowed provided the following:
  - a. Leaps/jumps that release the head toward the back must be performed stationary and cannot be connected to any other skill or technical element.
  - b. Preparations for traveling leaps and/or jumps are limited to a step or chasse. A chaine turn used as a preparation directly into a leap and/or jump is not permitted.
  - c. Dancer(s) must come to a complete stop with both feet on the performance surface for at least one count before executing another skill or technical element. The landing must not be a preparation for another skill or technical element.
  - d. Switch leaps in any form are not permitted.
- 4. Kicks/Kicklines
  - a. Kicks/Kicklines are allowed and are not restricted in number.

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### ALLOWED:

Chaine Turn	Toe Touch
Pique Turn	Grand Jete
Pirouette	C Jump
Fouette Turn	Side Leap
A La Seconde Turn	Firebird
Leg Hold Turn	Illusion

#### NOT ALLOWED:

Switch Leap	Renverse Jump
Floats	Turning Disc
Switch Tilt	Calypso
Turning Switch Tilt	Axels
Turning C Jump	540 Jump