

The Edge Competition Management Software

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Judging Events Using Android Tablets

The Edge now allows for wireless judging using any Android 3.1 or higher tablet by installing the android application WirelessJudging.apk. By having the scores delivered directly from the judging table results can be posted almost immediately. The wireless connection doesn't have to be local. The judging tablets can be routed to any location allowing for centralized accounting. This system runs in parallel with the traditional scoring system current employed by The Edge. Using one does not forfeit the use of the other. Because of this internet connectivity Windows will ask for confirmation. Click on Unblock or Allow Access to access the remote features of the program.

Judging Using the Tablets

Judging for the individual judges or the referee is identical. When the referee selects an event from the competition for scoring it is loaded and displayed in each of the judging tablets. The scores will be initialized to the bottom of the scale 1 This refers to TRUE Android devices. Tablets that run operating systems that are 'Android compatible' may not function properly. Judging begins when a competitor is selected by tapping their name. The line changes color with the competitors name turning green and the score buttons becoming light gray. Scores can only be altered for that competitor reducing errors. Scores are altered by 'swiping' the score button in a particular direction. If you swipe the button to the right the score will increase by a tenth (.1) of a point, to the left will decrease the score by a tenth. The score will increase only to the top of the point range (7.6 in this example). The score will decrease only to the bottom of the point range (7.0) unless there is a possibility of a penalty. Criteria that have no possible penalties remain within the point range, such as General Overall. All penalty scores are displayed in red. Any score that has been altered will be highlight in a lighter shade of gray in an unselected line.

Sending the Scores to The Edge

Once scores for each of the competitors have been entered, the judge will send their scores to The Edge. If a judge decides to change some of their scores they can resubmit their scores again by pressing the send scores button. This is true until the referee 'finalizes' the scores which in turn places the competitors.

The Referees Responsibilities

The referee tab is used to download events from The Edge for scoring. It is also used to finalize the scores for the event and ultimately receive the competitor's placement for that event.

Referees Checklist

The list can be cleared between each skater of an event by pressing the 'Clear Checklist' button. The checklist does not affect scoring, an unchecked element will not generate an automatic penalty.

Reviewing Scores and Acknowledging Penalties

As each of the judges submits their scores to The Edge, a copy of those scores is sent back to the

referee's tablet. The referee then reviews their scores by selecting the appropriate tab. Any penalties assessed by that judge are highlighted in red. The referee must acknowledge the penalty by pressing it. It will revert to the same color scheme as all of the other scores. This insures that at least two of the judges know about the penalty. All additional penalties (except the ones levied by the referee themselves) must be acknowledged in this manner.

Skaters that Scratch

Only the referee can remove a skater that has scratched from the tablet by pressing and holding their name for a second (long click). A warning box will open to verify this is what you intended. The point spread as well as the participation points awarded would be affected by leaving the skater in the event.

Schedule Status

The Schedule Status of the competition can be listed. Shows the current event, which is the one last requested by the referee. Schedule indicates whether the competition is ahead or behind, and by how much. The event time and the current time are also displayed.

Competition Progress

The list is an abbreviated form of the competition schedule. Its purpose is to indicate which competitor is currently on the ice.

Tablet Scoring Limitations

The maximum number of judges on the panel is limited to three. It is far easier to obtain three tablets than five. Even if this wasn't an issue, it would be far better to have three tablets with two spares than have just enough. If the competition director decides that five judges are a must then this portion of the competition can revert back to paper forms. The current accounting method is still viable. Split ice that is sometimes used for compulsories is not supported. Two panels for one event could be support by simply having the second half of the ice as a separate surface. You would have to acquire three additional tablets for a total of six. Once again this section could be done with paper forms. User created events for skaters and user created events for teams are not supported in tablet judging. Events that are timed only cannot be scored with the tablets. Any events not supported will be skipped over when the Referee clicks on 'Next Event'. If a specific event is requested and is not supported, the tablets will receive the error message 'Event Type Not Supported'. Power is always a problem with these devices. If your competition will last more than 6 - 8 hours it is recommended to power the tablets with their AC chargers.