



## AKSA Freestyle National Championships Judging Guidelines

### Main Criteria

The freestyle will be judged by overall impression, taking into consideration:

- Difficulty of the tricks performed- More technical difficult tricks involving grabs, and varied blind and revert landings will be rewarded by the judges.
- Risk of the tricks performed.
- Intensity of the tricks performed- Judges will look to reward a higher intensity of riding. That is more size and power of tricks.
- Variety of the tricks performed. There's no use performing 10 similar tricks in the heat, Judges will be looking for riders showing a wide degree of variety from inverted handle passes, performing tricks on both tacks, using the whole contest area and any obstacles within it, straight grabbed tricks and even bigger jumps (although these wont generally score especially highly in the Difficulty and Intensity stakes).
- Execution- Judges will look for cleanly performed tricks and style. There's no point doing the most difficult trick in the world if it looks terrible.

### Further Criteria

- Style will first and foremost affect their chances to win your heat. Concentrate on smooth tricks and add grabs and variety to stand out for the best chance to do well.
- Ability to perform moves on both tacks will increase your chance to win your heat.
- Repetition of moves on the same tack will decrease your chance to win your heat.
- Pushing the limits under control will increase your chance to win your heat.
- Innovation will increase your chance to win your heat.
- Out of control jumps will decrease your chance to win your heat.
- Riders will not be penalized for crashes. Crashes are to be ignored by the judges, although, if a rider continually crashes it will be difficult to score.
- Riders will be judged of any obstacles that are in the competition area but will not be penalised for not using these. They may assist some riders perform some of their tricks, but not using them will not affect a riders score.

Judges will have a shorthand notation for taking brief notes of the moves performed during the heats, but will not assign jumps a numerical value in their notes. They will also write a short note with an explanation of their judgment after the heat is over. They will concentrate more on watching the heat than on their writing the moves down.



The head judge will be able to understand the short hand notes of the individual judges and will be able to explain judgment to the riders after the event.

If you have any questions about this policy or AKSA, please contact me via the [info@aksa.com.au](mailto:info@aksa.com.au) email address.

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