



CanSkate PatinagePlus

Challenge Event Requirements and Circuits

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Element Assessment

The element performed must meet the description and requirement to receive a Silver rating. Those elements not meeting the description and requirement will receive a Bronze rating and those exceeding the description and requirement will receive a Gold rating.

STANDARDS OF ASSESSMENT

To establish an element rating, skaters must acquire 2 or more assessments at a level or higher. Any element with two or more assessment points scored at Bronze shall result in an overall rating of Bronze.

Stage 1

Element	Element Description	Assessment Requirement		
		Bronze (Below Standard)	Silver (Standard)	Gold (Above Standard)
Forward push/glide sequence (Balance)	The skater advances forward unassisted using a consecutive push/glide sequence (L/R/L/R/L/R).		Solid technique, side of the blade, full length of ice, alternating feet.	
Forward Two-foot jump (Agility)	The skater then pushes off the ice, using their arms, knees/ankles in an explosive manner so that both feet leave the ice.		Both feet leave the ice. Minimal height is acceptable.	
Backward two-foot skating/walking (Control)	The skater advances backward unassisted using a consecutive push/glide sequence (L/R/L/R/L/R)		Transfer of weight is evident, and ½ the width of the ice is used.	

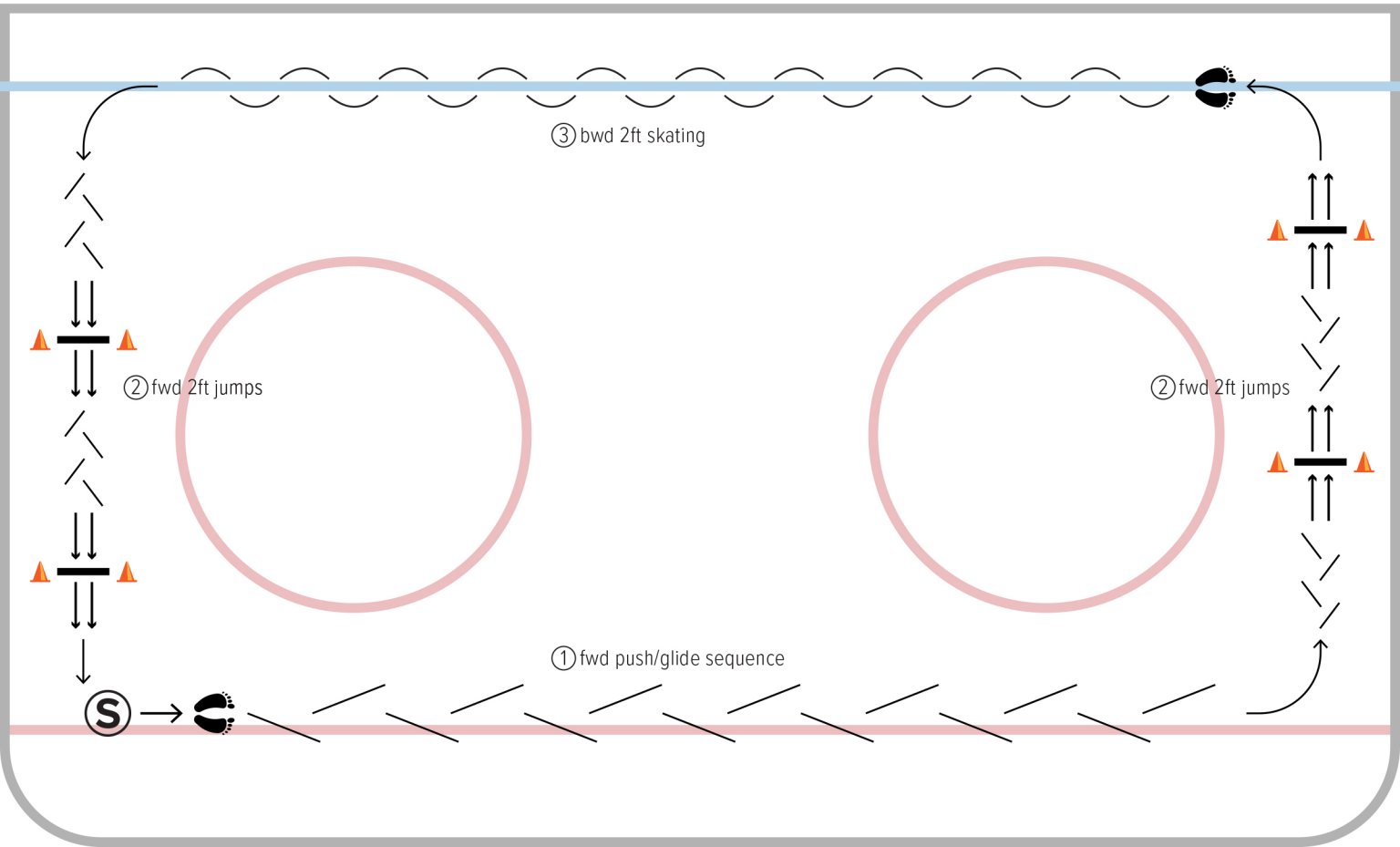
Stage 1 Overall Assessment

GOLD: At least two elements at the Gold level.

SILVER: At least two elements at the Silver level or higher.

BRONZE: Two elements at the Bronze level

CHALLENGE: STAGE 1 ASSESSMENT



Stage 2

Element	Element Description	Assessment Requirement		
		Bronze (Below Standard)	Silver (Standard)	Gold (Above Standard)
Forward two-foot sculling (Balance)	The skater bends their knees/ankles and bring their heels together. Toes face Outward while pressure is applied downward initiating a forward motion as feet move outward.		Six consecutive sculls (at maximum scull lobes are slightly wider than shoulder width). Some knee and ankle bend are evident. Sculls are equal in size.	
Forward two-foot turn (Agility)	The skater initiates a two-foot glide, bends their knees/ankles and rotates their upper body and torso towards the inside of the curve or direction of turn desired.		180° turn completed. Sustained glide on exit is not necessary.	
Backward two-foot to one-foot glide (Control)	The skater initiates a glide on two feet then transfers their weight to one foot and continues the glide. This may be performed on a straight line or a curve.		Transfer of weight evident from two-foot glide to one-foot glide. Sustained glide not necessary.	

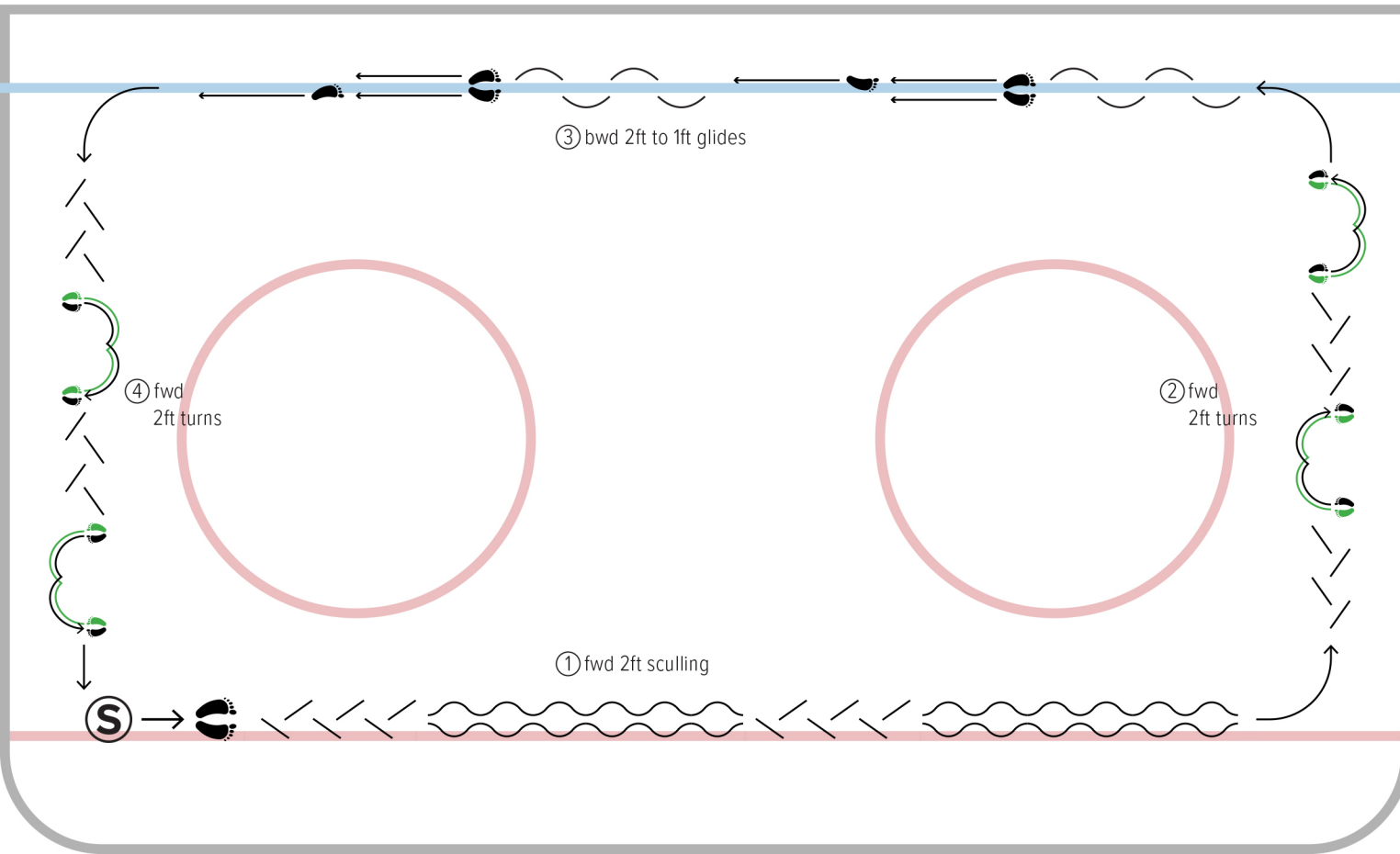
Stage 2 Overall Assessment:

GOLD: At least two elements at the Gold level

SILVER: At least two elements at the Silver level or higher

BRONZE: Two elements at the Bronze level..

CHALLENGE: STAGE 2 ASSESSMENT



Stage 3

Element	Element Description	Assessment Requirement		
		Bronze (Below Standard)	Silver (Standard)	Gold (Above Standard)
Backward two-foot sculling (Control)	The skater bends their knees/ankles and bring their toes together. Their heels face outward while pressure is applied downward initiating a backward motion as the feet move outward.		Six consecutive sculls (at maximum scull lobes are at a minimum of shoulder width apart). Demonstrating knee and ankle bending to generate speed and flow.	
Forward circle thrusts (Balance)	Using the side of the blade, the skater applies pressure to the outside foot to perform a push that extends behind the skater		Push off from side of blade. Circle size adequate for size and strength of skater.	
Backward two-foot jump (Agility)	The skater pushes off the ice, using their arms, knees/ankles in an explosive manner so that both feet leave the ice.		Sustained entry and exit glide.	

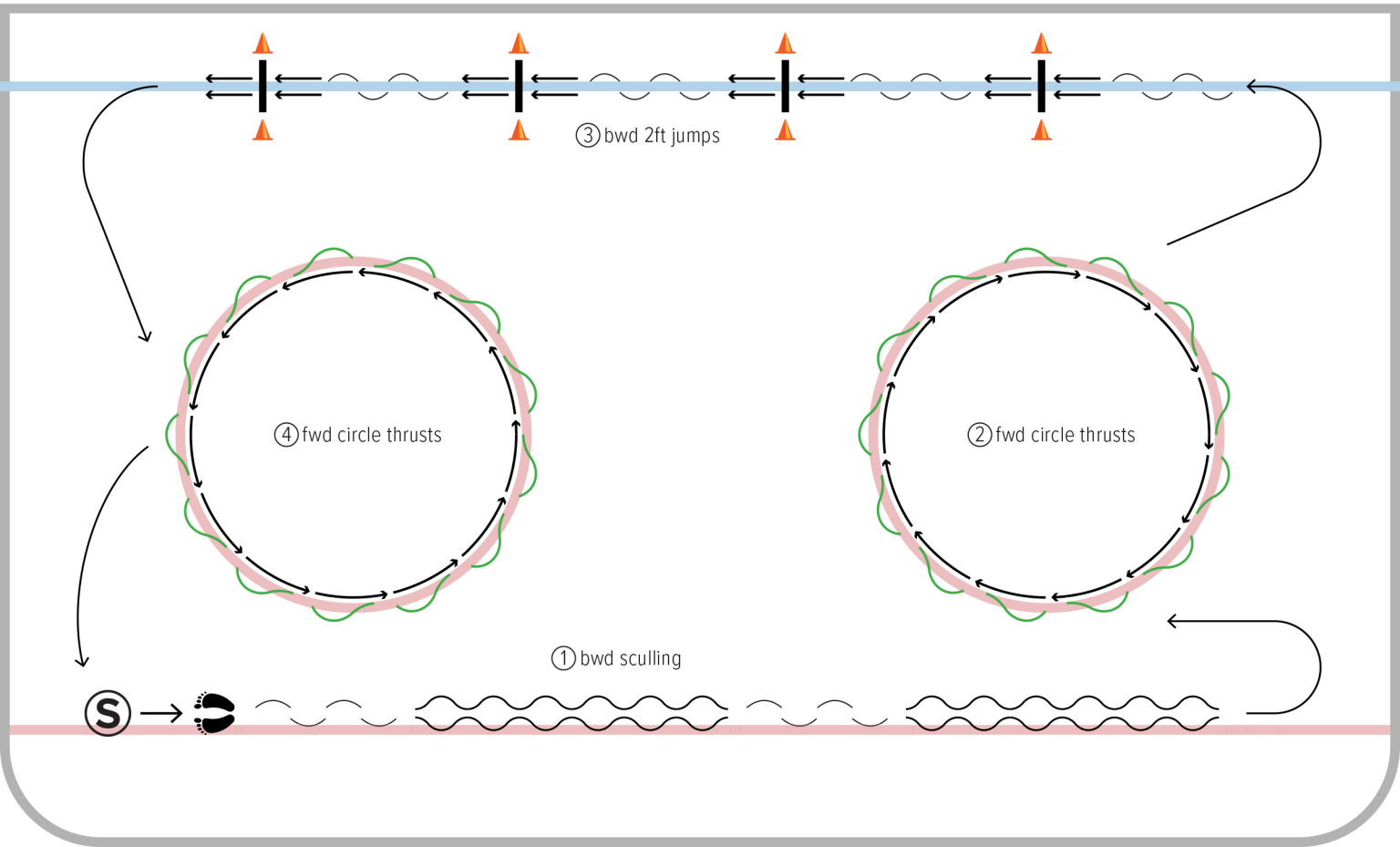
Stage 3 overall assessment:

GOLD: At least two elements at the Gold level

SILVER: At least two elements at the Silver level or higher

BRONZE: Two elements at the Bronze level

CHALLENGE: STAGE 3 ASSESSMENT



Stage 4

Element	Element Description	Assessment Requirement		
		Bronze (Below Standard)	Silver (Standard)	Gold (Above Standard)
Forward one-foot turn (Agility)	The skater initiates a forward one-foot glide, bends their knees/ankles, and rotates their upper body and torso towards the inside of the curve or direction of turn desired.		Sustained entry and exit glide. Turns are performed on each foot.	
Forward crosscuts (Balance)	The skater crosses the outside over inside foot establishing a short two-foot glide.		One full circle is performed (with a minimum of 50% blade pushes). To be performed in each direction.	
Backward circle thrusts or pumps (Control)	Using the side of the blade, the skater applies pressure to the inside edge of the outside foot and pushes outwards and forwards, maintaining weight on inside foot, and lifts the foot off the ice.		Push off the side of the blade. Holding glide position for minimum one second.	
Two-foot jump forward to backwards and backwards to forwards (Agility)	Using the arms and knees/ankles, the skater jumps off the ice and rotates 180° landing backward on two feet.		One jump performed with each foot. Sustained entry and exit glide.	

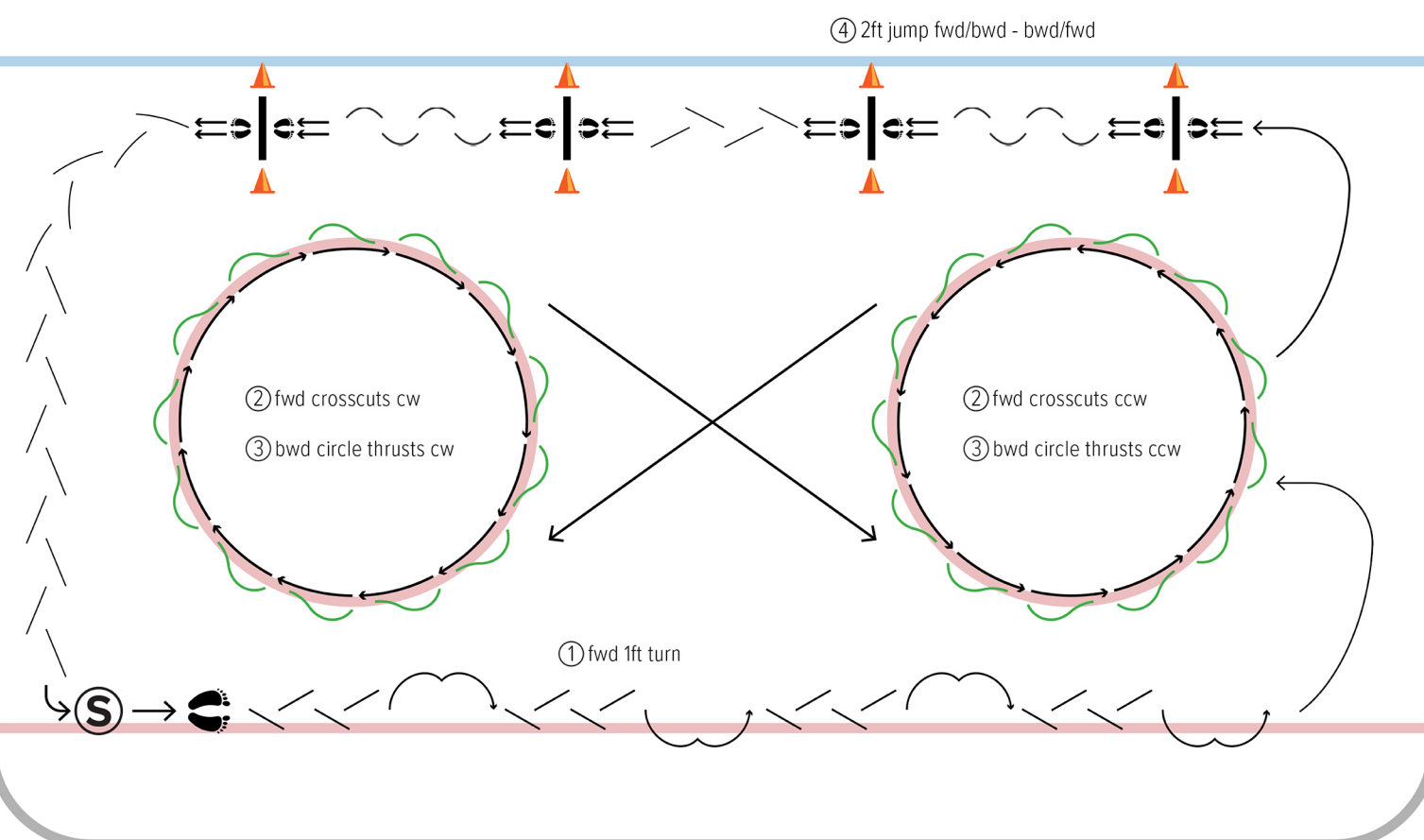
Stage 4 overall Assessment:

GOLD: At least two elements at the Gold level.

SILVER: At least two elements at the Silver level.

BRONZE: At least two elements at the Bronze level.

CHALLENGE: STAGE 4 ASSESSMENT



Stage 5

Element	Element Description	Assessment Requirement		
		Bronze (Below Standard)	Silver (Standard)	Gold (Above Standard)
Forward inside edges (Balance)	The skater pushes onto a curve to hold a glide with the inside leg lifted up, for half a circle.		50% blade pushes used. Execute for 1-2 seconds.	
Fwd two-foot side stop (Control)	The skater rotates their body and feet to one side (perpendicular to line of travel) while applying pressure to the blades to create a stopping action.		Execute a complete stop in each direction. Feet are parallel and no wider than shoulder width apart.	
Backward push glide sequence (Control)	The skater skates backward using a push/glide sequence (L/R/L/R/ L/R) consisting of c-pushes to perform backward skating.		Performed in full length of the ice, using even and consistent blade pushes.	
Forward power jump (Agility)	From forward skating, the skater swings one leg forward while applying pressure downward on the skating foot to propel the skater into the air.		One jump performed on each foot. Balance and glide maintained.	

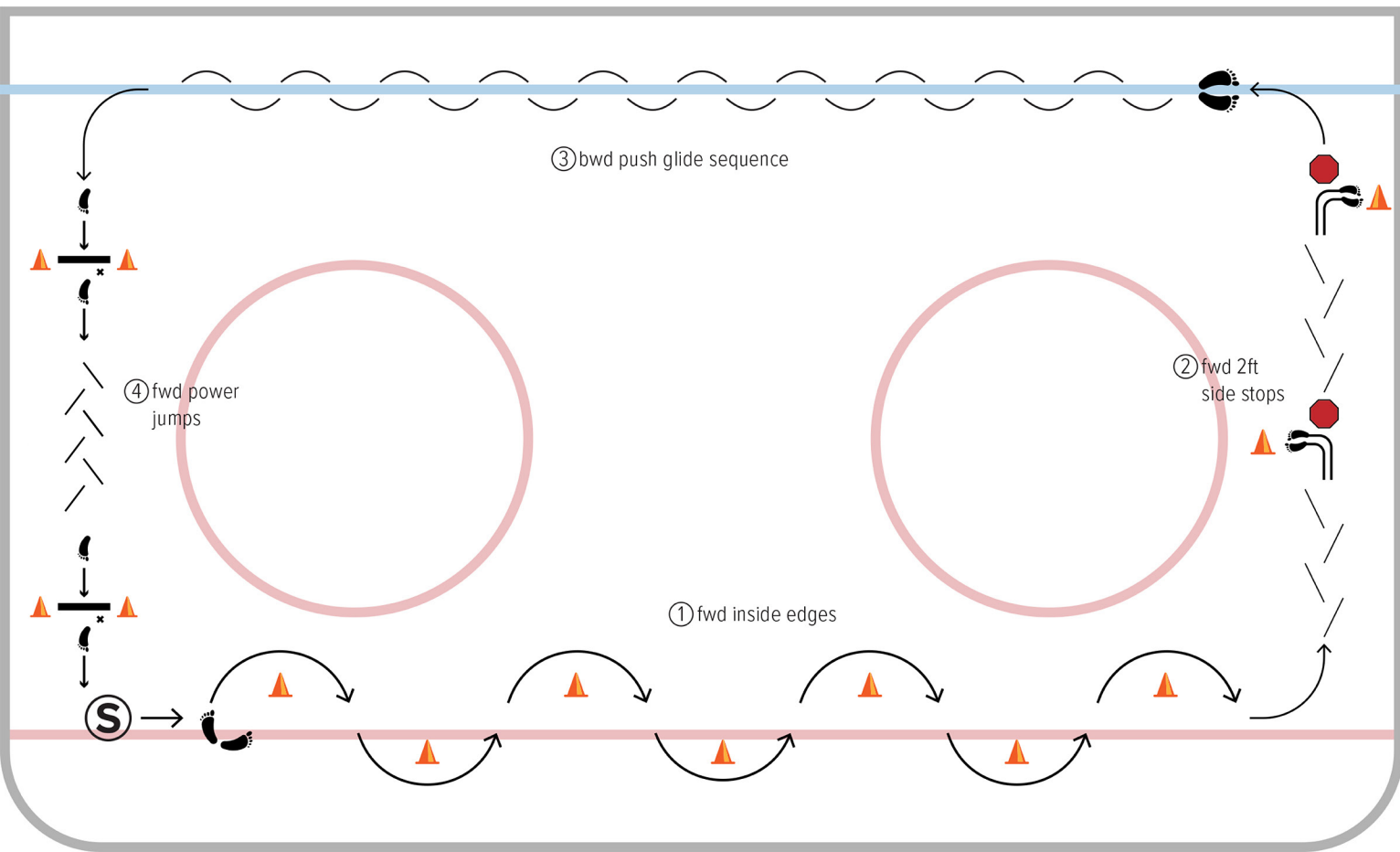
Stage 5 overall assessment:

GOLD: At least 2 elements at the Gold level

SILVER: At least 2 elements at the Silver level

BRONZE: At least 2 elements at the Bronze level.

CHALLENGE: STAGE 5 ASSESSMENT



Stage 6

Element	Element Description	Assessment Requirement		
		Bronze (Below Standard)	Silver (Standard)	Gold (Above Standard)
Forward outside edges (Balance)	The skater pushes onto a curve to hold a glide on an outside edge (the outside foot is raised) for half a circle.		Use of 50% blade pushes. Edge maintained for half a circle (1-2 seconds).	
Fwd one- foot side stop (Control)	The skater rotates their body and one foot to the side (perpendicular to line of travel) while applying pressure to the blade to create a stopping action.		Execution of a complete stop on each foot. Movement is performed with control and entirely on one foot.	
Forward/ backward and backward/ forward c-steps (Agility)	The skater steps onto a forward inside or outside edge, extends the free foot and then draws it towards the inside or outside of skating foot. The free foot comes to the inside/outside of the skating foot to form a T or L position with the feet, and steps backward onto the free foot.		Demonstrate minimum of 1 second glide before and after step. Different edges are defined.	
Backward perimeter skating with crosscuts (Control)	The skater skates around the perimeter of the ice demonstrating a push/glide sequence along the length of the ice and backward crosscuts across the width.		Full length and width of the ice is used. Demonstrating equal blade pushes on each foot.	

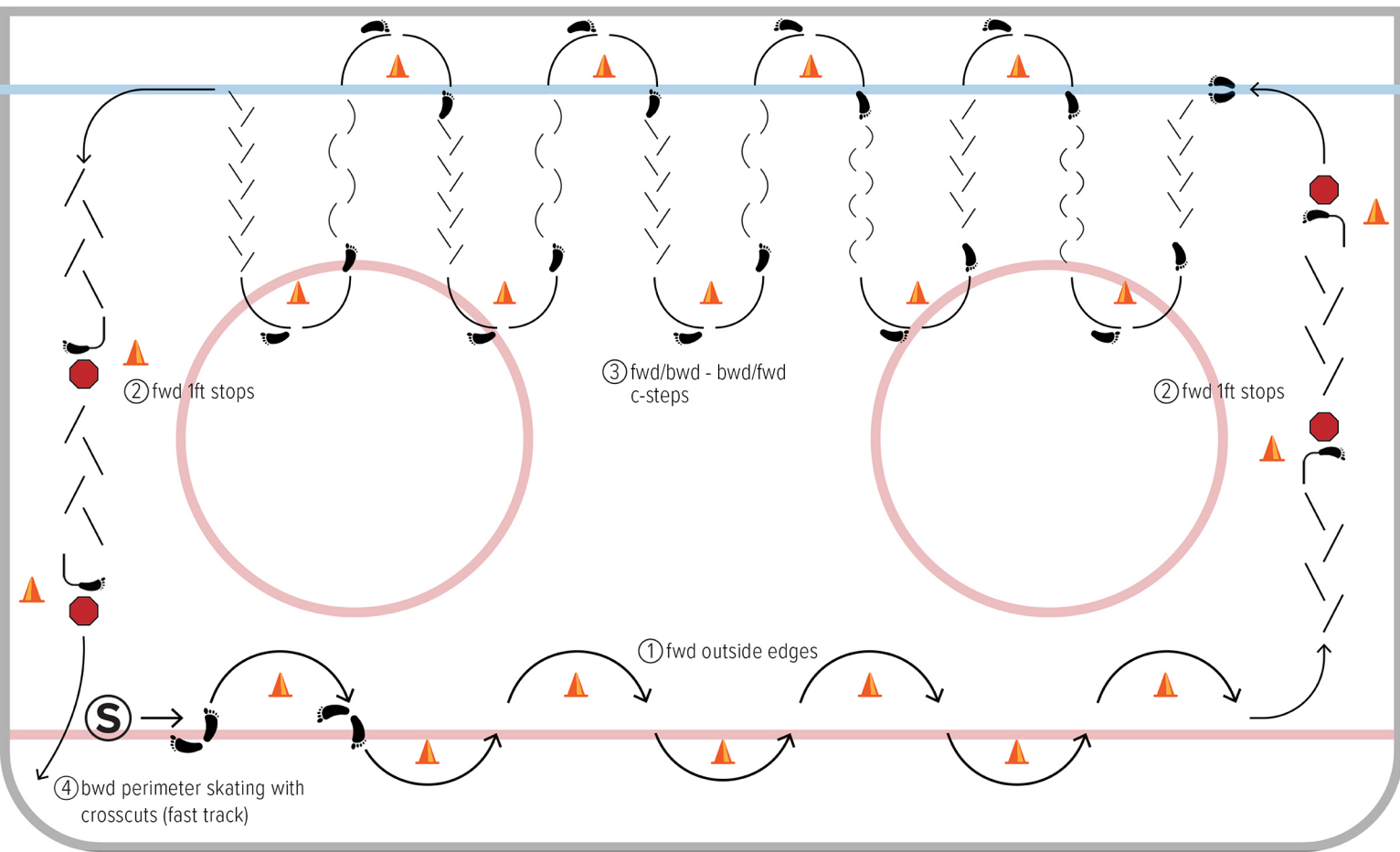
Stage 6 overall assessment:

GOLD: At least 2 elements at the Gold level.

SILVER: At least 2 elements at the Silver level.

BRONZE: At least 2 elements at the Bronze level.

CHALLENGE: STAGE 6 ASSESSMENT



EVALUATED ELEMENTS:

STAGE	BALANCE	CONTROL	AGILITY
STAGE ONE	Forward push/glide sequence	Backward 2-foot skating	Forward 2-foot jump
STAGE TWO	Forward 2-foot sculling	Backward 2-foot – 1-foot glide	Forward-Backward 2-foot turn Backward-Forward 2-foot turn
STAGE THREE	Forward circle thrusts	Backward 2-foot sculling	Backward 2-foot jump
STAGE FOUR	Forward crosscuts	Backward circle pumps	Forward 1-foot turn Forward-backward 2-foot jump Backward-Forward 2-foot jump
STAGE FIVE	Forward inside edges	Forward 2-foot side stop Backward push glide Sequence	Forward power jump
STAGE SIX	Forward outside edges	Forward 1-foot side stop Backward perimeter skating with crosscuts	Forward-backward c-steps