NYC2025 – International Division Judging Criteria & Rules

★ Judging Overview

Division-Specific Judging Method

- Technical Execution (TEA): 50 points
- Technical Evaluation (TEB): 30 points
 - Sophistication (SPT)
 - Novelty (NVT)
 - Completion (CPT)
- Performance Evaluation (PEA): 20 points
 - Music Need (MIC)
 - Stage Use (STU)
 - Body Control (BCL)
 - Enjoyment (ENJ)
- No deductions or additional penalties will be applied.

Total Score Breakdown:

TEA: 50 ptsTEB: 30 pts

PEA: 20 pts

• Deductions: None

★ Technical Evaluation Details (TEB – 30 pts)

Category	Points	Description	
Sophistication (SPT)	10 pts	Trick refinement and quality. Are tricks polished and easy to follow? Is the overall quality high?	
Novelty (NVT)	10 pts	Originality and surprise. Are there new or creative tricks? Do they impress the audience?	

★ Performance Evaluation Details (PEA – 20 pts)

Category	Points	Description		
Music Need (MIC)	5 pts	Musicality and choreography. Do tricks match the music's mood and tempo? Is the music thoughtfully used?		
Stage Use (STU)	5 pts	Effective use of stage space. Does the performer move and utilize the stage well?		
Body Control (BCL)	5 pts	Movement and posture. Is the performer confident and composed? Are body movements natural and intentional?		
Enjoyment (ENJ)	5 pts	Performer's enjoyment and audience engagement. Is the freestyle fun and audience-aware?		

★ Music Submission Guidelines

- Music data must be submitted in advance.
- Explicit language (e.g., F-words) is not strictly prohibited, but discretion is advised.
- We recommend bringing a backup CD-R or an MP3 player with a headphone jack in case of audio issues.

★ Disqualification Criteria

- If a yo-yo (or its parts) flies beyond the judges' table at a dangerous speed
- Dangerous behavior or actions that violate public decency
- Music that is predominantly composed of F-words or contains excessively sexual content