Explanation 150 Points

Since 01.01.2021 a starter must earn 150 points to get a promotion point. We are aware that many starters are worried and think that it will be more difficult to get a promotion point now. Therefore, we will try to explain the new procedure below.

On average, a starter needs 18.75 points per category, i.e. a medium "very good", to get 150 points and thus the point.

A promotion point is given if the judges think the starter can pass with his current level in the next higher class.

So the points are a much better comparison value for the starters to see where they stand with their performance.

If one gets 140 points in the judge third, one could see afterwards on the basis of the table, with which evaluation criteria it still lacks points and work on these purposefully (e.g. in the class training).

It does not automatically have to be a higher degree of difficulty, it is also recommended to look at the points teamwork, dynamics or concept and choreo. The artistic part of the judging sheet makes up half of the points.

This system is to avoid that teams on small tournaments, with maybe only 2 starters in the class, get promotion points, although the team is not ready for a higher class. Ultimately, the 150-point rule is also for the good of the dogs and the team. A team only advances if it is really ready for the next class and the dog can perform this class. And this in all 8 categories.

As with all innovations, it will take some time until the new system is established and lived by all starters and judges. All judges are currently receiving training to implement the new rule to everyone's satisfaction. By the way, lowering the points would not change anything in this procedure. If one would get a promotion point with 140 points, the judges would adjust their evaluation to this value.

We believe that 150 points is a step in the right direction in DDI dogdance. Advancement points will no longer be tied to placements, but to performance in all 8 categories. We hope that it will be gradually accepted and endorsed by all starters as well.