



For Assessment of STEP Level		Goal - promotion to next step
1	– First time skiing	– Stops in wedge – Completes straight run in balance
2	– Wedge turns – Completes round snowplow turn – Turns and stops in a wedge	– Balanced on outside ski – Controls speed on beginner slope
3	– Linked snowplow turns – Balanced on outside ski – Parallel at some point in the turn	– Consistently links snowplow turns – Skis parallel for last half of turn – Skidded arc, intermediate terrain
4	– Skis parallel at last half of turn, on intermediate slopes	– Shows some edge control – Starts turn in wedge – 2/3 of turn in parallel
5	– Rhythm and some edge control – Slight wedge – beginning of turn only – Intermediate slopes – May sometimes plant their pole	– Skies parallel throughout the turn – Speed control – Rhythmical wide turns – Pole plants during most turns
6	– Wide parallel at times – Intermediate slopes – Plants pole during turns	– Medium radius turns – Speed control – Rhythmical and athletic skiing – Upper and lower body separation
7	– Consistent parallel at all times – Complete control on intermediate slopes – Introduction to bumps	– Short radius turns – Shows refined edge control – Rhythmical skiing – Advanced slopes
8	– Short turns on advanced slopes – Rhythmical and linked turns in fall line – OK on slightly bumpy terrain – More time spent in moderate bumps	– Dynamic parallel turns – Linked parallel turns in bumps – Good ski performance with pressure control – Adapts well to gates and bumps
9	– Linked parallel turns in bumps- advanced slopes – Variety of turn shapes – Good adaptation to different terrain conditions – Time spent on short radius turns	– Pressure control – Turn shape variety – Excellent ski performance – Terrain adaptation in all situations – Different ways to ski the same terrain