

Decision Report - PSL Sacramento

Below is a review on some key decisions and regulations that were of relevance for PSL Sacramento Invitational this past weekend on August 2nd, 2025.

#1 - Incorrect point awarded to a competitor

Match: Heidi Chan (3) vs Anto Kam (2), timestamp 1:30:51

On set 1 solve 3, Heidi was incorrectly awarded a point after losing the solve $7.670 + 2 = 9.670$ vs 9.646 . This caused her to go up 2-1 on the set. On the next solve, Anto proceeds to win the solve, tying the set 2-2. However, had the point been accurately awarded, Anto would have already won the set at this point. Instead, the competitors received a 5th solve after mistakenly believing the set was tied 2-2. Our internal database already reflects this information and we've communicated the incident to both competitors. The outcome of the match is unaffected.

#2 Tiebreaker using the thousandth decimal place

Match: Heidi Chan (3) vs Ethan Jan (1), timestamp 3:45:20

On set 4 solve 5, Ethan achieved a 6.094 second solve while Heidi achieved a 6.091 second solve. At that moment, the point was awarded to Heidi with a tiebreaker ruling allowing her to take the set.

Per [regulation 2.1.](#), the thousandth digit should not have been used to rule a tiebreaker as the digit should have been truncated, effectively turning the solve into 6.09 vs 6.09. And per [regulation 9.6.1.](#), extra solves should have been awarded until the tie would have been inevitably broken.

We realize that this cannot be resolved through revoking any specific results, as we will not be able to sort out a tie-breaker post-event. However, we would like to highlight the importance of having a **faster solution** in the PSL, **not what the time precisely is**. Timers may have differences in accuracy. However, due to time moving linear and upwards in value only, we can reliably conclude that Heidi **did indeed** have the faster solve compared to Ethan; even if we can't determine accuracy and by exactly how much.

Since we are unable to retroactively adjust this result, we will be adding the thousandth digit as a consideration in a future update to the PSL regulations in an effort to maintain the spirit of the regulations: to define the best competitor in any given match with consistent and fair protocols. Please stay tuned for updates from us.

Onwards,
Chai