# **Marriage Compatibility - Astro Exceptions > Astro Rules**

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My Guruji, Late Shri. PVK Punneswara Rao used to stress on an important point that all of us, students should be thorough in astrological rules, its exceptions and cancellations. He used to say that more than the rules; exceptions to the rules play an important role in determining the results of a particular chart. He opines most of the practising astrologers make inaccurate predictions by just applying basic/rudimentary rules without considering exceptions to the rules which alters the results. We have seen, in so many cases that afflictions/doshas in a chart get nullified/cancelled when we consider the exceptions to the rules. This can be very well seen in Kuja dosha, where the exceptions/cancellations are more in number than the number of rules in itself. In many of the horoscopes where Kuja dosha is seen with respect to Asc/Moon/Venus gets nullified while applying exceptions to the original tenets. Even Punarpoo dosha caused by Saturn & Moon connection gets cancelled by the connection of Sun with Saturn. But in practice most of the practising astrologers miss this point of cancellation and make inaccurate predictions.

This inaccuracy or wrong evaluation of a chart is commonly seen in marriage compatibility, where most of the astrologers restrict themselves in matching charts to the extent of looking into important Kutas/Poruthams namely (Rasi, Rasiadipathi, Vasiyam, Mahendra, Gana, Yoni, Dina, Stree Deergha, Rajju, Vedha, Nadi), Kuja Dosham, Dasa Sandhi, Papasamyam. But they seldom analyse in depth without considering exception rules in Kutas & in Kuja dosham, this apart, planet to planet synastry between the girl & boy chart is not being seen. Hence invariably, we might have come across two different versions being given by either of the sides (girl & boy) of the astrologers. Particularly in a marriage match-making, girl’s side and boy’s side astrologers do not give the same opinion. This is purely because of not making an effort to analyse in depth without considering the exceptions to the rules. Because of this, I would like to enumerate the exceptions in the Kuta matching.

The following are the nullifying factors, if present, can ignore certain incompatibilities in the Kuta matching: -

* The absence of Stree- Deergha may be ignored if Rasi Kuta and Graha Maitri are present.
* Though Graha Maitri is the most important, it need not be considered if the couple has their Janma Rasis disposed in one and seven from each other.
* Rajju kuta need not be considered in case Graha Maitri, Rasi, Dina and Mahendra Kutas are present.
* The evil due to Nadi kuta can be ignored
* If Rasi and Rajju Kuta present,
* If the same planet is lord of the Janma Rasis of both the boy and girl,
* If the lords of the Janma Rasis of the are friends
* In case of common Janma rasis, according to sage Narada, common Janma rasis would be conducive to the couple provided they are born in different constellations. Garga opines the asterism of the boy should precede that of the girl for a happy married life. In case of the reverse i.e., the constellation of the girl precedes that of the boy, that one should be rejected.
* In case the Janma Nakshatra of the girl and boy is same, the following nakshatras are approved- Rohini, Arudra, Magha, Hasta, Vishaka, Sravana, Uttarabhadra, and Revati.
* The effect is neutral in case of Aswini, Kritika, Mrigasira, Punarvasu, Pushya, Pubba, Uttara, Chitta, Anuradha, Poorvashada, and Uttarashada.
* In case of Swati, Jyesta, Moola, Dhanista, Satabisha and Poorvabhadra, it is not recommended. However, in case of Swati, opinions are divided.
* In case the Janma Nakshtra belongs to two signs (suppose Kritika), the pada of the girl should be the preceding sign. For example, if Kritika is the common Janma Nakshatra between the boy and girl, the girl should have her Janma Rashi in Mesha and the boy is Rishaba.
* The couple should not have the same Janma Rasi, same Janma Nakshatra and pada. However, with respect to Satabisha, Hasta, Swati, Aswini, Kritika, Poorvashada, Mrigasira, and Magha, the evil given rise to, by virtue of common Janma Rasi, Nakshatra, and Pada gets cancelled if the couple are born in the first pada.
* Kuja dosha is caused by placement of Mars in 2nd, 4th, 7th, 8th, and 12 reckoned from Ascendant, Moon and Venus in a both girl & boy horoscope. More importance is given to the presence of Kuja dosha in female horoscope. However, this dosha/affliction gets nullified/cancelled if Mars are placed in the signs mentioned below corresponding to different houses.

2nd house – Mithuna & Kanya

4th house – Mesha & Vrichika

7th house - Karakataka & Makara

8th house - Dhanus & Meena

12th house – Rishaba & Thula

Placement of Mars in Simha & Kumbha causes no affliction/dosha whatsoever irrespective of analysing with respect to Ascendant/Moon/Venus.

The dosha gets counteracted by the conjunction of Mars & Jupiter, Mars & Moon, and also presence of Jupiter & Venus in ascendant.

* When it comes to planet-to-planet matching/synastry between the girl & boy horoscopes by superimposing each other charts, priority is given to Saturn, Jupiter, and Nodes, but least importance is given to other planets. Gone are the days where the age difference between the boy & girl remained 5 to 7 years. In those cases, you invariably find perfect synastry of Jupiter, Saturn & nodes not occupying the same Rasis or 2/12 placements. In fact, the mere age difference of 5 to 7 years itself takes care of the mutual compatibility, wherein the placements of slow-moving planets occupy themselves in perfect synastry. But in recent times girls are not interested in marrying a boy who is older than them by 2 or 3 years. Hence, we come across in matching, where the placement of Saturn is occupying the same Rasis, Jupiter either in the same Rasis or in 2/12, in both these cases results in imperfect synastry, which is the reason for the cause separation and divorce. However, it is difficult for an astrologer to change this present trend, but in spite of this inadequacy, we can recommend mutual compatibility provided if Saturn is connected to Venus either by conjunction, aspects or Stellar level in each other’s charts or Jupiter’s connection to Mars/Moon in each other’s charts.

Hence, I conclude that while matching horoscopes for mutual compatibility utmost care should be taken and the charts should be analysed in depth in a holistic manner.