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AUDITING GOOFS BLOWDOWN INTERRUPTION

It is a serious goof for the auditor to speak or move during a blowdown of the tone arm.

When a tone arm has to be moved rapidly down, the needle appears to float to some but it is just falling.

To see if a needle is floating, the TA must have stopped moving down.

A blowdown is a period of relief and cognition to a pc while it is occurring and for a moment after it stops.

Therefore, it is a serious goof for an auditor to speak or move during the blowdown or for a moment afterwards.

This was noted years ago and is given in early materials on goals.

AN AUDITOR MUST NOT SPEAK OR MOVE DURING A BLOWDOWN.

When the auditor has to move the TA from right to left to keep the needle on the dial and the movement is .1 divisions or more, then a blowdown is occurring. The needle, of course, is falling to the right.

That is a period of charge blowing off the bank. It is accompanied by realizations for the PC. Sometimes the pc does not voice them aloud. They nevertheless happen.

If the auditor speaks or moves beyond adjusting the TA quietly with his thumb, the pc may suppress the cognitions and stop the blowdown.

To see if a needle floats, the TA must be halted for the moment between 2 and 3 on a calibrated meter. A floating needle cannot be observed during a blowdown.

For an auditor to sit up suddenly and look surprised or pleased, or for an auditor to say the next command or "That's It" during a blowdown, can jolly well wreck a PC's case. So, it's a real goof to do so.

To get auditing results, one must audit with a good comm cycle, accept the pc's answers, handle the pc's originations, be unobtrusive with his auditing actions, not hold the PC up while he writes, not develop tricks like waiting for the PC to look at him before giving the next command, not prematurely acknowledge and so start compulsive ITSA, and be very quiet during and just after a blowdown.

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