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**2017 SKATE ST. MORITZ
ANNOUNCEMENT
37th ANNUAL**

ISU JUDGING SYSTEM USED FOR PRE-JUVENILE & HIGHER

To be held at

**OAKLAND ICE CENTER
519 – 18TH Street
Oakland, California 94612**

There is a back entrance to the rink on 17th Street

September 8 – 10, 2017

ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY

**BASIC TO SENIOR LEVELS – SINGLES - PAIRS – DANCE – SHOWCASE - SPECIAL SKATERS
2017 – 2018 U.S FIGURE SKATING RULES WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR THIS COMPETITION**

ENTRY DEADLINE: AUGUST 8, 2017

Sanctioned by:



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SKATE ST. MORITZ

GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

The 37th annual Skate St. Moritz competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook and nonqualifying competition guidelines, as well as any pertinent updates (technical notifications) which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website. Any approved exceptions to the current rules or guidelines are noted in this announcement.

The Chief Referee's interpretation of rules and decisions on all questions not covered by the rules will be final.

Information will be posted and available on the club's website, www.stmoritzisc.org, as necessary.

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, who are currently registered members of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Skaters representing another ISU federation, except Canada, may enter with the permission of their federation. The competition is not currently sanctioned by Skate Canada. However, if any Canadian skaters are interested in participating, please contact the registrar and we will request a Skate Canada sanction. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

Test level: Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline (Aug. 8, 2017) in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event.

Age restrictions/requirements: Age restrictions are noted in the event requirements section of this announcement and are in accordance with U.S. Figure Skating rules. Age is based on the closing date of entries for this competition (Aug. 8, 2017).

ENTRIES

Entries may have to be limited and will be accepted in the order received. Deadline for online registration is by midnight on **August 8, 2017**.

Online Entry: Secure online registration and credit card payment (Visa, Mastercard, and Discover only) is the only method for entry to this competition. Please go to our website www.stmoritzisc.org and click on the link to the Skate St. Moritz competition page on Entryeze where you will be able to register your information as well as pay all entry fees. There is a 3.8% credit card processing fee added automatically by Entryeze.

Each skater entry is a step by step process of adding club and coach information, skating level, events, and practice ice session reservations to the shopping cart. Prior to completing payment for the online entry, competitors will be taken to an *Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability* page. Please review this page. The Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability must be accepted by the parent/guardian or adult skater prior to being directed to the payment page.

When online entry is complete and payment is made via credit card, an e-mail is automatically sent confirming the entry. Additionally, **an e-mail is sent to the skater's primary coach and home club when a skater's entry is processed. These e-mails have a link embedded in them. The receiver must click that link to be taken to an "Approval" page in our system. If the receiver clicks the "I approve" button in that page, the system records the approval. Skaters who do not receive approvals from their club and coach will not be able to compete.** Therefore, it is vital that the club officer and primary coach follow this procedure to approve the skater entry. In addition, if your coach and/or club are not currently listed in the dropdown box available, please be sure to enter the correct contact e-mail for your coach and/or club.

Your credit card statement will show a charge to St. Moritz ISC. The St. Moritz ISC reserves the right to charge a fee of **\$30.00**, in addition to the entry fee, to resolve any disputes to the credit card charge.

Entry Fees:

Notes -

1. Singles and Pairs Free Skate and partnered Dance events may only be entered at 1st event fee level.
2. All events with multiple segments (i.e., short program & free skate programs) are combined events and not offered separately.
3. Both competitors for Pairs, partnered Dance, and Showcase Duets must enter.
4. Only one competitor for Pro-Am Dance will need to enter (fee is for the unit)

Event	1st Event Fee	As Additional Event Fee
• Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior Free Skate (SP + FS)	\$125.00	N/A
• Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, Open Juvenile Free Skate • Adult Silver, Adult Gold, Adult Masters Free Skate	\$95.00	N/A
• Limited No Test, No Test, Pre-Prelim, Prelim Free Skate • Competitive Test Track events – all offered levels • Adult Pre-Bronze, Bronze Free Skate	\$85.00	N/A
• All Showcase (except Basic level) • Showcase Duets (per couple)	\$85.00	\$30.00
• Jumps and Spin Challenge events	\$50.00	\$30.00
• Solo Dance or Pro-Am Dance	\$50.00	\$30.00
• Basic Skating	\$50.00	N/A
• Basic Skating Showcase	\$50.00	\$30.00
• Intermediate through Senior Pairs (per couple) • Juvenile through Senior Partnered Dance (per couple)	\$125.00	N/A
• Pre-Juv, Juvenile, Adult Gold or Masters Pairs (per couple) • Adult Pre-Gold or Gold Free Dance (per couple)	\$95.00	N/A
• Adult Bronze or Silver Pairs (per couple) • Pre-Juvenile Partnered Dance (per couple) • Adult Pre-Bronze to Silver Partnered Dance (per couple)	\$85.00	N/A
• Special Needs Singles or Pairs or Group	\$20.00	N/A

Late Entries: All entries must be *submitted online* no later than **August 8, 2017**. Entries submitted after this date are late entries and, at the discretion of the host club and Chief Referee, may or may not be accepted. Late entries must be accompanied by a **late fee of \$35.00**. Late fee may be waived for good cause with the approval of the Registrar and club’s Board of Directors.

Refund Policy: In accordance with Rule 3048, after the close of entries, entry fees will be refunded only if the competition is not held or event is cancelled. There will be no refunds for withdrawals, including withdrawals for medical reasons or injuries. *Credit Card processing fees are not refundable for any reason.*

Privacy Policy: Personal information provided to the host club through the entry process will not be sold or distributed for commercial use.

NOTE: A skater’s name and club affiliation will be posted online as outlined in the Official Notices section of this announcement for purposes of posting the groups, as well as in the posted results of the competition. No other skater’s information will be posted online by the host club. Photos may also be taken by the host club during the competition for promotion or advertising purposes, including use on social media. Based on the notification provided in this Announcement, entry into the competition is deemed permission to post this information or photographs.

LIABILITY

U.S. Figure Skating, the St. Moritz Ice Skating Club, Inc., and the Oakland Ice Center/Sharks Ice accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents and guardians and officials will be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Skating, the St. Moritz Ice Skating Club and its officers, or the Oakland Ice Center and its management. Entries will be accepted only on such condition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

GROUPS

Two entries constitute an event, except for Special Needs events where one entrant is sufficient.

Pre-Juvenile and lower singles events with only one skater entered will be offered the option to compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender or compete as a solo entrant. For all other events with only one entry, skaters/teams will be given the option to compete if time permits. If the single entry skater/team accepts the opportunity to compete, the skater/team will be judged, receive scores and their award. If the single entry skater/team opts not to skate, the event will be cancelled and fees refunded. Note: The withdrawal of competitor(s) in an event within 48 hours of the event start will not change the status of an event as long as one skater remains; no event will be cancelled with at least one competitor, and no refunds provided, within 48 hours of the competition event.

Events having a large number of entries will be divided into groups as appropriate. Group size may be larger or smaller than the standard set in the Rulebook at the discretion of the Chief Referee. When entries warrant, singles events will be divided into age groups for Pre-Juvenile and below and by random draw for Juvenile and above. Basic Skating events will have no more than 4 skaters per group. There will not be final rounds for any events with multiple groups.

FACILITIES

The competition will be held at the Oakland Ice Center/Sharks Ice at 519 -18th Street, Oakland, CA 94612. The Oakland Ice Center is a dual-surface ice rink. The NHL Rink is 200' X 85' and the Olympic Rink is 200' X 100'. Both rinks have slightly rounded corners. *Both rinks will be used for the competition.*

Locker rooms are found in the basement level and will available during the competition, but are not monitored. Valuables should not be left in locker rooms.

The arena offers a snack bar in the lobby that is open to the public.

This ice arenas tend to be on the colder side so layered clothing/blankets are recommended.

There will be no admission fee charged to view any events.

MUSIC

Music will be reproduced from compact disc (*no CD/RW or DVD-R*). Music submission must be clearly marked with the entrant's name and event and is to be turned in at the time of registration or at least 45 minutes prior to the start of the event. There should be only one track per CD. *The CD turned in for competition should be free from scratches and smudges for the best result for playing your music.* Skaters are to have a back up CD readily available at rink side. Music should be picked up at the registration desk shortly following the conclusion of the event. Any CDs not picked up by the conclusion of the competition are not the responsibility of the St. Moritz ISC and may be discarded.

REGISTRATION

A registration table will be set up in the lobby of the Oakland Ice Center on the dates of the competition approximately one-hour prior to the first competition event and will remain open for about 30 minutes after the last event. All entrants are required to register and turn in their music at least 45 minutes prior to their scheduled event.

JUDGING SYSTEM

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events:

- *Well Balanced Program Singles events: Pre-Juvenile through Senior; Adult Silver, Gold & Masters*
- *Pairs events: Pre-Juvenile through Senior; Adult Gold*
- *Dance (partnered) events: Juvenile through Senior; Adult Pre-Gold & Gold*

All competitors skating in these events need to submit the planned program content form online. This form is available through the online Entryeeze registration or may be found in the Members Only section at www.usfigureskating.org. The deadline to submit the form is **September 5, 2017**

If appropriate technical panel officials for Pair or Dance events are not available, those events will be judged under the 6.0 system instead. Skaters will have the option to withdraw and receive a refund under these circumstances.

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for:

- *Well Balanced Program Singles free skate events: Basic through Preliminary, Adult Pre-Bronze & Bronze*
- *All Test Track free skate events*
- *Pairs events: Adult Silver and lower*
- *Dance (partnered) events: Pre-Juvenile, Adult Silver & lower*
- *All solo and pro-am dance events*
- *All showcase events*
- *All specialty singles events (spins, jumps)*

OFFICIALS

Referees, judges, technical panel members, and accountants will be selected from the officials list provided by U.S. Figure Skating. Officials from other ISU member organizations may officiate as guest officials in accordance with U.S. Figure Skating rules. Accounting clerks, announcers, and music may be selected from the officials list or other volunteers who have received appropriate training.

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Compliance

In order to be granted access to work within U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities, each coach must complete the following requirements on an annual basis by July 1:

1. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating - either through a member club or as an individual member;
2. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen.
3. Must complete the appropriate CER courses depending on the highest level of students being coached. See rule MR 5.12 (Category A or B is required for non-qualifying competitions).
4. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

The local organizing committee/host club will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. or is not on the list and cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions. We strongly urge *all* coaches to have their cards with

them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events, including all practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without compliance is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to:

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaching%20Compliance%20Toolkit.pdf>

PRACTICE ICE

Official practice ice where music will be played will be available on Friday, Sept. 8th for all events. The cost is \$18 per skater per session and requests will be processed and prioritized in the order received. Schedule will be set and sessions assigned based on the number of requests received by the deadline. Waiting lists will be established for full sessions.

Practice Ice reservations, for official practice ice only, may be made online by August 8, 2017 when you register or added separately later (but still before the deadline noted). A link to the entryeeze registration site will be available on our website, www.stmoritzisc.org

Practice Ice fees will **not** be refunded unless the session is not assigned. Sessions are non-transferable between official and non-official. Practice ice is also non-transferable between skaters.

Practice Ice not reserved in advance by the deadline will be sold on a first come-first serve basis, if available; we cannot guarantee additional practice sessions. If space permits, we will allow additional practice ice sales for \$20 per session online for a designated period after the schedule has been posted or by drop in fee.

Additional unofficial practice sessions (no music played) may be available on Saturday/Sunday depending on the number of entries. Specific times and cost to be determined. Skaters will be notified via e-mail if sessions are available for Saturday and/or Sunday. **These sessions are not available for pre-purchase during entry registration.** There will be a purchase window available only *after* the competition schedule is posted.

For information regarding regular free skating or public sessions that may be available for practice, please contact the Oakland Ice Center at 510-268-9000 or visit their website, www.oaklandice.com

AWARDS

All skaters placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th will receive medals of gold, silver, bronze, and pewter, respectively. Skaters placing 1st will also receive trophies. Skaters who earn a special award by placing 1st (see below) will receive the special award trophy in lieu of the regular award trophy.

For Singles, Pairs, and Dance events with multiple segments, the final *combined* results will determine awards (i.e., no awards will be given for individual PD, SP/SD or FS/FD segment placements in these events).

Special Awards:

IAN KNIGHT MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of Ian Knight, St. Moritz member, PSA instructor/choreographer. Awarded for excellence in presentation/choreography as demonstrated through the program components in the Junior Men or Ladies FS events, well balanced free skate segment. Skaters with the highest combined performance/execution, choreography and interpretation components will be considered with final determination made by the judging panel or designated special panel.

KENNETH L. BROWN MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of Kenneth L. Brown, U.S. Figure Skating past president and St. Moritz ISC past president. Awarded to the winner of the Novice Men FS event (replaces regular 1st place trophy).

BONNICKSON/DAVENPORT MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of Margaret Bonnickson, judge, and Frank Davenport, coach, both longtime and honorary members of the St. Moritz ISC as well as dedicated ice dancers. When more than one Dance couple is entered, across all levels (not pro-am), this trophy will be awarded for an exemplary dance performance from any level entered as selected by competition officials.

MARCELLA WILLIS MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of Marcella Mae Willis, honorary St. Moritz ISC member, ISU & Olympic judge, and past U.S. Figure Skating dance medalist. Awarded to the winner of the Solo or Pro-Am Dance in the highest-level competition dance event with more than one entrant (replaces regular 1st place trophy). If there are Solo or Pro-Am Dances at the same level and these are the highest dance events, the host club will determine which event will be awarded this trophy.

JEAN ROBINSON MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of Jean Robinson, honorary St. Moritz ISC member, past club president, and ISU World judge. Awarded to the winner of the Senior Ladies FS event (replaces regular 1st place trophy).

SUSAN WISE MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of Susan Wise, St. Moritz member, PSA instructor/choreographer. Awarded for excellence in artistry and choreography in the Pre-Juvenile Boys or Girls FS events. Skaters with the highest combined performance/execution, choreography and interpretation components will be considered with final determination made by the judging panel or designated special panel.

JAMES HULICK MEMORIAL TROPHY: Presented in memory of James Hulick, Junior Pairs National Champion (1971) and coach/choreographer for many pairs and singles skaters from the St. Moritz ISC. When more than one pair team is entered, across all levels, this trophy will be awarded for an exemplary pairs performance from any level entered as selected by competition officials.

PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEOGRAPHY

Awards Photography: The official photographer will be **Harold Johnsen**. Award photos will be taken as soon as possible following the posting of results. Group photos will be taken of the top 4 finishers and individual shots may be arranged with the photographer.

Absolutely **no flash photography** is allowed of competitors on the ice. The flash may cause distraction leading to error or injury. Taking action photos of any skater other than your own is prohibited without their express written consent, a copy of which must be provided to the host club.

Videography: The official videographer is **Pro MixVideo**.

In accordance with U.S. Figure Skating policies, personal video taping (digital or other) is allowed of one's own skater **only** and only with handheld equipment in the seating area. The recording of other skaters or the recording of warm ups and practice sessions is prohibited. Only battery-powered video units are allowed (no electrical cords). The use of a tri-pod and standing near the railing to film is prohibited.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Official notices will be posted on the designated wall space on the 2nd level of the Oakland Ice Center, and will contain official information only. Notices posted here are considered sufficient notice to all entrants. Check frequently for any change in the schedule or other notices.

Schedule / Groups / Result Posting: A tentative schedule of events and an alphabetical list of groups will be available on the St. Moritz website (www.stmoritzisc.org) approximately 2 weeks in advance of the competition. Schedule information will also be available on the Skate St. Moritz page of Entryeeze. The skating order for each event will be announced and posted at the arena in accordance with applicable rules.

Any schedule changes will be posted on the website prior to the competition and on the wall space designated for Official notices at the Oakland Ice Center at the start of the competition. The schedule posted at the arena supersedes any previously distributed schedules.

Results will be posted at the arena as soon as possible following the event. In addition, all results will be posted on our website after the conclusion of the competition.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For any questions or additional information on the competition, you may contact any of the following. E-mail communication is preferred.

Registrar	Kim Barclay	E-mail (preferred):	kimbbarclay@gmail.com
		Telephone:	510-918-2780 (calls from 9 AM–Noon only)
Chair	Dirk Vanderlaan	E-mail (preferred):	dirk.c.vanderlaan@gmail.com
		Telephone:	510-522-2878 (calls from 9 AM–Noon only)
Chief Referee & Practice Ice	Lisa Erle	E-mail:	LNerle68@aol.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Scheduling: Events will be held on Saturday and Sunday. It is left to the discretion of the Chief Referee as to time and day of each event. There are numerous factors to consider when setting the schedule including, but not limited to, skaters in multiple events and availability of officials. Skaters should be prepared to skate at any time that their event may be scheduled. All events will conclude no later than 5:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Parking / Public Transportation: Parking at the Oakland Ice Center is limited at all times, particularly on weekdays. Please consider the time needed to find parking when planning your arrival for your practice ice and your event. Skaters may be dropped off at the front entrance on 18th Street if necessary.

18th Street Parking Lot: There is a parking lot at the corner of San Pablo and 18th Street where a moderate number of spaces should be available. There is a fee to park at all times on Monday through Saturday and a 4-hour time limit for parking in this lot. Parking in this lot is free on Sunday.

Clay Street Garage (1414 Clay St): There is additional parking located approximately 2-1/2 blocks from the rink on Clay and 15th Street, enter garage from Clay Street. There is some parking available on weekdays and a fee is charged. The garage is open 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m. on Saturday and is free. The garage is not open on Sunday.

Parking Meters: There are limited metered parking spaces along the street on 17th, 18th and other surrounding streets. Meters have a 2-hour time limit and are in effect Monday through Saturday, 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM. There is no charge or time limit at meters on Sundays.

Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART): Stop at 19th Street, which is a one-block walk to the rink. If you have access to the BART system, you may want to consider this as an option.

Hotels: The following are some of the hotels in the area nearby the Oakland Ice Center. These are provided as information only and are not considered recommendations for or against any hotel accommodations. There are no special rates being held by these hotels in association with this competition.

Oakland Marriott City Center
1001 Broadway
Oakland, CA 94607
510-451-4000

Hilton Garden Inn (Emeryville)
1800 Powell Street
Emeryville, CA 94608
510-658-9300

Executive Inn
1755 Embarcadero
Oakland, CA 94606
510-536-6633

Courtyard By Marriott (Downtown)
988 Broadway
Oakland, CA 94607
510-625-8282

EVENT PARAMETERS (applying to all events)

Skaters may enter only one level of any one discipline with the exception of Pro-Am Dance. Skaters may enter as many Pro-Am dances as they are qualified and choose to enter. Skaters may not enter Test Track and Well Balanced FS in the same competition.

Warm-up groups: Singles = 6 max, Pairs = 4 max, Dance (partnered) = 5 max, Solo Dance = 8 max
**Warm-up group maximum size may be increased at the discretion of the Chief Referee.

Skaters will skate to the music of their choice, except for Solo and Pro-Am Dance.
Vocal music with lyrics is permitted.

EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

Rule numbers specified in this Announcement can be found in the 2018 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. This competition will be governed by all rules applicable to the 2017-18 competitive season, including those changes passed at the 2017 Governing Council or by technical notification.

SINGLES EVENTS

Event: Jumps Challenge

1. Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
2. Pre-juvenile and lower will be skated ½ ice; Juvenile – senior will be skated on full ice
3. Jumps with an “*” must be preceded with connecting steps (intermediate – senior)
4. Entry level should be in accordance with Free Skate event test levels

Level	Time	Elements
Beginner	1:15 max.	1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers) 2. ½ flip or ½ Lutz 3. Single Salchow
High Beginner	1:15 max.	1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers) 2. Single Salchow 3. Jump combination – waltz jump-toe loop
No-Test	1:15 max.	1. Single toe loop 2. Single loop 3. Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)
Pre – Preliminary	1:15 max.	1. Single toe loop 2. Single flip 3. Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)
Preliminary	1:15 max.	1. Single flip 2. Single Lutz 3. Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)
Pre – Juvenile	1:15 max.	1. Single Axel 2. Single or double jump 3. Jump combination – single/single (no Axel)
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:15 max.	1. Single Axel 2. Double Salchow 3. Jump combination – single/single or double/single (no Axel)
Intermediate	1:30 max.	1. Single Axel 2. Double loop* 3. Jump combination – double/single (no Axel)
Novice	1:30 max.	1. Double loop 2. Double flip* 3. Jump combination – double/double (may be double Axel)
Junior	1:30 max.	1. Choice of double or triple jump 2. Double or triple flip* 3. Jump combination – double/double (may be double Axel)
Senior	1:30 max.	1. Choice of double or triple jump 2. Double or triple Lutz* 3. Jump combination – double/double or triple/double (may be double Axel)

Event: Spins Challenge

1. Spins may be skated in any order. Connecting steps are allowed, but will not be taken into consideration in scoring. Spins may not be repeated. Only required elements may be included.
2. All events are skated on ½ ice.
3. Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.
4. Entry level should be in accordance with Free Skate event test levels

Level	Time	Elements
Beginner	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upright one-foot spin (3) 2. Upright two-foot spin (3) 3. Sit spin (3)
High Beginner	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upright one-foot spin (3) 2. Upright two-foot spin (3) 3. Sit spin (3)
No-Test	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upright one-foot spin (3) 2. Upright two-foot spin (3) 3. Sit spin (3)
Pre – Preliminary	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upright one-foot spin (3) 2. Upright back scratch spin (3) 3. Sit spin (3)
Preliminary	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward scratch to back scratch spin (3 per foot) 2. Combination spin with no change of foot (4) 3. Sit spin (3)
Pre – Juvenile	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Camel spin (3) 2. Combination spin – camel to sit spin, no change of foot (6) 3. Forward scratch to back scratch spin (3 per foot)
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sit spin (4) 2. Combination spin – with change of foot; optional change of position (4 per foot) 3. Camel, layback or other upright spin, no change of foot (4)
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flying camel spin (5) 2. Sit spin to backward sit spin (4 per foot) 3. Combination spin – change of foot & change of position (4 per foot)
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Choice of camel, sit or layback spin (6) 2. Camel spin to backward camel spin (4 per foot in position) 3. Combination spin – change of foot & two changes of position (2 per position & 5 per foot)
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flying sit spin or flying reverse sit spin (6) 2. Solo spin of choice (6) – may not fly 3. Combination spin – with change of foot & utilizing all three positions (2 per position & 5 per foot)
Senior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flying spin of choice (6) 2. Solo spin of choice (6) – may not fly 3. Combination spin – with change of foot & utilizing all three positions (2 per position & 5 per foot)

Event: Basic Skating (levels 1 through 5)

Groups will not be divided by gender except at the discretion of the Chief Referee, if appropriate.

Groups will be divided by age when more than 4 are entered.

Competitors will perform a program to music with the prescribed elements.

One mark will be awarded for the overall program, elements and presentation.

Skaters will receive a **0.2 deduction for elements from higher level.**

Level	Description / Elements	Test / Age Requirements	Duration (Min:Sec)
Basic Skating 1	Elements to be skated: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marching while moving; 2. Two foot jump in place 3. Forward swizzles from standstill (3 times) 4. Moving forward swizzles (3 times) 5. Forward two foot glide <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements may be skated in any order. Minimal connecting steps are allowed. No additional elements. 	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skate tests.	1:10 max.
Basic Skating 2	Elements to be skated: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Snowplow stop – one or two foot 2. Forward swizzles: 5 - 6 3. Back Wiggles or Back Swizzles: 5 - 6 4. Dip - Deep knee bend while gliding on 2 feet 5. Forward One Foot Glide - Left & Right 6. 2-foot turn from forward to backward from standstill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements may be skated in any order. Minimal connecting steps are allowed. Elements from Basic Skating 1 may also be included, but no elements from higher levels permitted. 	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skate tests.	1:10 max.
Basic Skating 3	Elements to be skated: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward Outside Edges - 1-2 each foot 2. Forward Inside Edges - 1-2 each foot 3. Backward glide on 2 feet 4. Bunny Hop - max 3 5. Shoot the Duck or Lunge - Right or Left 6. Forward inside 3-Turns - R & L from standstill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements may be skated in any order. Minimal connecting steps are allowed. Elements from Basic Skating 1 or 2 may also be included, but no elements from higher levels permitted. 	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skate tests.	1:10 max.
Basic Skating 4	Elements to be skated: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward Crossovers – Clockwise & Counter-clockwise (min 4 each); 2. Forward Inside Mohawk followed by extended backward outside edge; 3. Waltz Jump; 4. Two Foot Spin – entry optional; 5. Forward Inside Pivot; 6. T-Stop – either foot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements may be skated in any order. Minimal connecting steps are allowed. Elements from Basic 1, 2 or 3 may also be included, but no elements from higher levels permitted. 	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skate tests.	1:10 max.

Level	Description / Elements	Test / Age Requirements	Duration (Min:Sec)
Basic Skating 5	Elements to be skated: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward Crossovers – Clockwise & Counterclockwise (min 4 each) 2. Backward outside edges: 1-2 each foot 3. Forward Spiral – either edge or flat 4. One Foot Spin – free leg optional 5. Waltz Jump 6. Half-Flip <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements may be skated in any order. Minimal connecting steps are allowed. Any elements from lower levels may be included. 	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skate tests.	1:10 max.

Event: Test Track Free Skating

General event parameters:

1. Skaters may not enter both a Well-Balanced Free Skate event and a Test Track Free Skate event at the same non-qualifying competition.
2. Level will be determined by the highest free skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
3. Minimum number of spin revolutions are in () following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.
4. The following deductions will be taken:
 - 0.1 from each mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
 - 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra element included.
 - 0.1 from the technical mark for any spin that is less than the required minimum revolutions.

Level	Jump Elements	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
Pre-Juvenile Test Track Time: 2:00 +/-10	Maximum of 5 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). • Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences • Max. 2 of any same type jump 	Maximum of 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spin in one position no change of foot (Min. 3 revolutions) • One combination spin: forward camel spin to forward sit spin; change of foot optional (Min. 6 revolutions). Spins may not fly.	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface.	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test but no higher than the pre-juvenile free skate test
Juvenile Test Track Time: 2:20 +/-10	<i>Max 5 jump elements:</i> Any single jumps with not more than 1 ½ rotations (Axel permitted) <i>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 2 spins:</i> One spin in one position, no change of foot (Min 4 revs in position) and One combination spin with one change of foot and at least one change of position, must include two of the basic spin positions, (Min 4 revs on each foot) Only solo spin may fly	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface.	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-juvenile free skate test but no higher than the juvenile free skate test

Level	Jump Elements	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
Intermediate Test Track Time: 2:40 +/-10	<i>Max 6 jump elements:</i> Any single jumps. Double jumps permitted: double Salchow and double toe loop. <i>Max 3 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 2 spins of a different nature:</i> One must be a flying spin (Min 5 revs), One must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (Min 4 revs on each foot).	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface.	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating juvenile free skate test but no higher than the intermediate free skate test
Novice Test Track Time: Ladies 3:00 +/-10 Men 3:30+/-10	<i>Max 7 jump elements for men and 6 for ladies:</i> Any single jumps. Double jumps permitted: double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop. <i>Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 3 spins of a different nature:</i> One must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (Min 5 revolutions on each foot). The other spins are the option of the skater (Min 6 revs) All spins may fly	One step or spiral sequence fully utilizing ice surface. (see rule 4104 & 4105 for description).	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating intermediate free skate test but no higher than the novice free skate test
Junior Test Track Time: Ladies 3:30 +/-10 Men 4:00+/-10	<i>Max 8 jump elements for men and 7 for ladies:</i> Any single jumps. Double jumps permitted: double Salchow, double toe loop, double loop and double flip. <i>Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 3 spins of a different nature:</i> One must be a spin in one position (6 revs), one a flying spin (6 revs) and one a combination spin consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (Minimum 2 continuous revs in each basic position and minimum 5 revs on each foot).	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface. (See rule 4105 for description)	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating novice free skate test but no higher than the junior free skate test
Senior Test Track Time: Ladies 4:00 +/-10 Men 4:30+/-10	<i>Max 8 jump elements for men and 7 for ladies</i> Any single jumps. Must include at least four different double jumps, one must be a double Lutz. No triple jumps permitted <i>Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 3 spins of a different nature:</i> One must be a spin in one position (min 6 revs), one a flying spin (min 6 revs) and one a spin combination consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (Min 2 continuous revs in each basic position and min 5 revolutions on each foot).	Men: Two different step sequences, one being of advanced difficulty, both fully utilizing the ice surface. (See rule 4105) Ladies: One step sequence of advanced difficulty, covering the full ice surface and one spiral sequence. (See rule 4104 & 4105 for description).	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating junior free skate test

Event: Well Balanced Program Free Skating

General event parameters:

1. Juvenile and lower singles free skate events will consist of a Free program only. Intermediate through Senior singles free skate events will consist of the Short and Well Balanced Free Skate program with the combined result of the Short and the Free program determining the final results.
2. All relevant and appropriate rules for 6.0 judging will be applied for events using the 6.0 system. See Rule 4914 for information.
3. Level will be determined by the highest free skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
4. All relevant and appropriate IJS rules will be used for those events judged by the IJS. Coaches and athletes are expected to be aware of these rules by reading the documents on www.usfigureskating.org, under "Technical Info," then the Singles/Pairs or Dance link. The 2017-18 requirements will be used.

Event	Qualifications	Description	Duration (min:sec)
Beginner	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Free Skate tests.	Max. 5 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front). • Max. 2 jump sequences • Max. 2 of any same jump Max. 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions) Connecting steps demonstrated throughout	1:40 Max.
High Beginner	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Free Skate tests.	Max. 5 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front, plus half loop). • Single Jumps: Salchow and toe loop only • Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences • Max. 2 of any same jump Max. 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upright or sit spins only: change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions) Connecting steps demonstrated throughout	1:40 Max.
No Test	Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Free Skate tests..	Program as per rule 4280	1:40 max.
Pre-Preliminary	Open to skaters who have not passed higher than the Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test.	Program as per Rule 4270	1:40 max.
Preliminary	Open to skaters who have passed the Pre-Preliminary FS test but no higher than the Preliminary FS test.	Program as per Rule 4260	1:30 +/- 10 sec.
Pre-Juvenile	Open to skaters who have passed the Preliminary FS test but no higher than the Pre-Juvenile FS test.	Program as per Rule 4250	2:00 +/- 10 sec.
Juvenile (under 14 years) & Open Juvenile (14 years or older)	Open to skaters who have passed the Pre-Juvenile FS test but no higher than the Juvenile FS test.	Program as per Rule 4240	2:20 +/- 10 sec.

Event	Qualifications	Description	Duration (min:sec)
Intermediate (under 18 years)	Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile FS test but no higher than the Intermediate FS test.	Short and FS Program as per Rule 4230	SP: 2:10 max. FS: 2:40 +/- 10 sec.
Novice	Open to skaters who have passed the Intermediate FS test but no higher than the Novice FS test.	Short and FS Program as per Rule 4220	SP: 2:30 max. Ladies: 3:00 +/- 10 sec. Men: 3:30 +/- 10 sec.
Junior	Open to skaters who have passed the Novice FS test but no higher than the Junior FS test.	Short and FS Program as per Rule 4210	SP: 2:40 +/- 10 sec. Ladies: 3:30 +/- 10 sec. Men: 4:00 +/- 10 sec.
Senior	Open to skaters who have passed at least the Junior FS test.	Short and FS Program as per Rule 4200	SP: 2:40 +/- 10 sec. Ladies: 4:00 +/- 10 sec. Men: 4:30 +/- 10 sec.

Event: Young Adult & Adult Free Skate

General event parameters:

1. All relevant and appropriate rules for 6.0 judging will be applied for events using the 6.0 system. See Rule 4914 for information.
2. All relevant and appropriate IJS rules will be used for those events judge by the IJS. Coaches and athletes are expected to be aware of these rules by reading the documents on www.usfigureskating.org , under "Technical Information," then the Singles, Pairs or Dance link.
3. Level will be determined by the highest free skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
4. Age requirements: Young Adults 18-20 years; Adults 21 years and over.

Level	Qualification	Description	Duration (min: sec)
Pre-Bronze	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 4600 (no tests are required).	Program as per Rule 4600	1:40 max.
Bronze	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 4590.	Program as per Rule 4590	1:50 max.
Silver	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 4580.	Program as per Rule 4580	2:10 max.
Gold	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 4570.	Program as per Rule 4570	2:40 max
Masters Intermediate/ Novice	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 4540.	Program as per Rule 4540	3:10 max.
Masters Junior/Senior	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 4510.	Program as per Rule 4510	3:40 max.

Event: Showcase

Singles competitors, Preliminary through Senior, Adult Bronze through Adult Masters, are permitted to enter the 2018 National Showcase, if they placed first, second, third or fourth at this competition.

Judging & Marking:

- Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical and artistic qualities.
- Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to support the selected theatrical elements.
- Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will reduce the score.
- Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence.
- Theatrical elements evaluated will include are but not limited to: Reflection of the musicality as it pertains to the concept of the program; Projection; Energy; Timing; Acting; Skating skills that relate to the music; Age appropriateness to skater. Note: Prolonged pauses to express lyrics are discouraged
- Use of props and scenery (if skater/team chooses to use them)
- Interaction (Duets and Ensembles only).
- One mark using the 6.0 judging system will be given by each judge for each performance. No technical skating mark will be used.
- Deductions will apply for negligence relating to: costumes, props, program times. If there is more than one infraction, each will be deducted from the single mark.

Costumes:

- Costuming and make-up for Showcase skating programs should enhance the feeling created by the performance, and reflect the meaning of the story or theme.
- Costumes rules for free skate do not apply for Showcase skating. Ornaments and hair accessories must be secure.
- No bobby-pins, feathers, hair accessories, or anything else that may fall to the ice and be hazardous to the skaters are allowed. 0.1 deduction will be taken.
- Figure skating blades must be used, no hockey or other blades. The blades must be sharpened to produce a flat to concave cross section without change to the width of the blade as measured between the two edges. However, a slight tapering or narrowing of the cross section of the blade is permitted.

Lighting/Curtain / Warm-up: House lights will be used (no follow spots). There will be no curtain or 'backstage' area. Warm-up times will be a minimum of three minutes and a maximum of five minutes. Warm-ups may be combined at the discretion of the chief referee.

Scenery/Props: The inclusion of scenery and/or props is not mandatory.

The following must be observed for all Scenery / Props:

- Scenery may not exceed 7'6" in height; For insurance reasons, no propulsion devices will be permitted. This includes such items as cannons and trampolines. Apparatus such as these, which could be used to assist skaters with jumping into the air, are NOT permitted
- The use of smoke, fire, dry ice, liquids, live animals, feathers, bubble machines or any substance that may harm the ice surface and/or skaters is not permitted
- No projectiles
- All props must be able to be controlled by the skater, for example, no remotely controlled images or objects are allowed
- No mirrors or glass of any kind is allowed on the ice
- People may not be used as props.

The Chief or Event Referee may deny the use of any prop.

A 1.0 deduction will be applied by each judge for any violations of Scenery/Prop size or type.

Props and scenery must be placed and removed:

- Unaided, by the singles and duets competitors within one minute total on and off.
- Unaided, by the ensemble teams within two minutes maximum for setup and two minutes maximum for removal. Anyone not skating is not allowed to step on the ice.

There is a 0.1 deduction for each 10 seconds in excess of the time allowed.

Event Types:

Dramatic Entertainment: Programs should express intense emotional connection and investment in the music, choreography and theme concept through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions. Props and Scenery are permitted.

Light Entertainment: Programs should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions. Props and Scenery are permitted.

Duets: Theatrical performance by two skaters. Team may be of the same or different gender. Props and Scenery are permitted.

Levels offered for Duets are Pre-Preliminary through Senior and Adults. Level based on tests of higher skater. Program duration is the same for what is shown under the Singles Showcase events for that level. Levels may be combined at the Chief Referee's discretion if entries warrant.

Test Qualification Notes:

- Test references below refer to the U. S. Figure Skating tests and dance tests may be solo or partnered standard track (except Adult events may also be adult or masters). Skaters may enter any or all singles events for which they are qualified by test level or one level higher, but skaters cannot skate in different levels of the same event (example: a Junior level skater would not be allowed to skate both Junior and Senior Light Entertainment).
- For duet events, test qualification of highest test skater applies.
- Showcase event level may be different than the level entered for Free Skate events.
- Skaters may skate at their test level or up one level higher.
- **SKATERS MUST COMPETE NO LOWER THAN AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL FOR WHICH THEY QUALIFY.** [Clarification: Skaters must compete at the higher of the two levels between free skate and free dance for which they qualify. As an example, if skater has passed Pre-Juvenile FS and Intermediate Free Dance, then they would need to compete at Intermediate Showcase (or Novice Showcase, for one level up)]

Showcase Note: Events are not divided by gender. Levels may be combined at the Chief Referee's discretion if entries warrant.

	Event	Must have passed	Must <u>not</u> have passed	Description / Age	Time
Levels that do not qualify to National Showcase	Basic Skating	No tests required	Skaters may not have passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field, Dance or Free Skate tests.	Allowed elements: - Upright spins (no laybacks) - ½ revolution jumps (no half loop)	1:10 max
	Beginner	No tests required	Pre-Preliminary FS OR any free dance	Allowed elements: - Upright spins (no laybacks) - ½ revolution jumps (no half loop)	1:30 max
	High Beginner	No tests required	Pre-Preliminary FS OR any free dance	Allowed elements: - Upright or sit spins only: change of foot optional, no flying entry - ½ revolution jumps, plus Salchow and toe loop	1:30 max
	No Test	No tests required	Pre-Preliminary FS OR any free dance	No Axels or multi-revolution jumps are allowed.	1:30 max
	Pre-Preliminary	No tests required	Preliminary FS OR any free dance	Axels permitted; no double or triple jumps.	1:30 max
	Adult Pre-Bronze	No tests required	Adult Bronze FS OR any free dance	No Axels or multi-revolution jumps are allowed. Age: 21 years or older	1:40 max
	Event	Must have passed	Must <u>not</u> have passed	Description / Age	Time
Singles or Duets (Duets must compete at the highest test level of the two skaters)	Preliminary	Preliminary FS	Pre Juvenile FS OR Juvenile FD	No restrictions Age: Max. 20 years	1:40 max
	Pre Juvenile	Pre-Juvenile FS	Juvenile FS OR Juvenile FD	No restrictions Age: Max. 20 years	1:40 max
	Juvenile	Juvenile FS OR Juvenile FD	Intermediate FS OR Intermediate FD	No restrictions Age: 13 & under	2:10 max
	Teen	Juvenile FS OR Juvenile FD	Intermediate FS OR Intermediate FD	No restrictions Age: 14 & over	2:10 max

Event	Must have passed	Must <u>not</u> have passed	Description / Age	Time
Intermediate	Intermediate FS OR Intermediate FD	Novice FS OR Novice FD	No restrictions Age: 17 & under	2:10 max
Young Adult	Juvenile FS OR Intermediate FD	Novice FS OR Novice FD	No restrictions Age: 18 – 20 years	2:10 max
Novice	Novice FS OR Novice FD	Junior FS OR Junior FD	No restrictions	2:10 max
Junior	Junior FS OR Junior FD	Senior FS OR Senior FD	No restrictions	2:40 max
Senior	Senior FS OR Senior FD		No restrictions	2:40 max
Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze FS, Preliminary FS, OR Juvenile FD	Adult Silver FS, Pre-Juvenile FS, Adult Silver FD, Int. FD, Prelim FD (prior to 9/2/00), OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	No restrictions Age: 21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Silver	Adult Silver FS, Juvenile FS (prior to 10/1/94) Pre-Juvenile FS, Adult Silver FD, Int. FD, Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/00), OR 3 rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	Adult Gold FS, Juvenile FS (on/after 10/1/94), Adult Gold FD, Novice FD, Bronze FD (prior to 9/2/00), OR 4 th Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	No restrictions Age: 21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold FS, Juvenile FS, Adult Gold FD, Novice FD, OR 3 rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91), Junior FD, Silver FD (prior to 9/2/00), OR 5 th Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77)	No restrictions Age: 21 and older	1:40 max
Masters	Intermediate FS, Adult Gold FD, Junior FD, Silver FD (prior to 9/2/00), 3 rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77), OR 8 th Figure (10/1/77 – 9/30/79)		No restrictions Age: 21 and older	1:40 max

****IMPORTANT-** As of May 1, 2017, Pattern Dance Tests no longer qualify adult athletes to compete in Showcase Events.

Interpretive:

The program will be a performance choreographed by the competitor, unaccompanied and unassisted, to music that is supplied by the LOC. Skaters will have the opportunity to listen the music off the ice before warm up as well as twice on the warm up. Programs should incorporate various elements of expressive movement and skating moves, to enhance the skater's interpretation of the music, rather than technical elements. All competitors in an event will interpret the same music. Props are permitted but must be with the skater prior to listening to the music and be taken to the ice only when the skater is called to perform. Props may not be pre-positioned on the performance surface.

Levels offered for Interpretive are the same as for singles showcase events.

Program Duration:

Pre-Juvenile and lower = 1:00 maximum

All other levels = 1:30 maximum

PAIRS EVENTS

Event: Pairs Free Skating:

Pair events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook, **2017-18 requirements**. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc. A reference chart is available at www.usfigureskating.org, the Technical Info tab for Singles/Pairs.

Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile Pair events will consist of the Free Skate program only. Intermediate through Senior Pair events will consist of both the Short and the Well Balanced Free Skate program with the combined result of both programs determining final results.

Level	Qualification	Description	Duration
Pre-Juvenile	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 5250	Pairs Free Skate program in accordance with 5250.	2:00 +/-10 sec
Juvenile	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 5240	Pairs Free Skate program in accordance with 5240.	2:30 +/-10 sec
Intermediate	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 5230	Pairs Short and Free Skate program in accordance with 5230.	SP: 2:30 max FS: 3:00 +/-10 sec
Novice	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 5220	Pairs Short and Free Skate program in accordance with 5220.	SP: 2:50 max FS: 3:30 +/-10 sec
Junior	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 5210	Pairs Short and Free Skate program in accordance with 5210.	SP: 2:40 +/-10 sec FS: 4:00 +/-10 sec
Senior	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 5200	Pairs Short and Free Skate program in accordance with 5200.	SP: 2:40 +/-10 sec FS: 4:30 +/-10 sec
Adult Masters	Age Requirements: Young Adult – age 18 – 20 years Adult – age 21 years and older Test Requirements: Same as 5520	Pairs Free Skate program in accordance with 5520.	3:40 max
Adult Gold	Age Requirements: Young Adult – age 18 – 20 years Adult – age 21 years and older Test Requirements: Same as 5530	Pairs Free Skate program in accordance with 5530.	3:40 max
Adult Silver	Age Requirements: Young Adult – age 18 – 20 years Adult – age 21 years and older Test Requirements: Same as 5540	Pairs Free Skate program in accordance with 5540.	2:40 max
Adult Bronze	Age Requirements: Young Adult – age 18 – 20 years Adult – age 21 years and older Test Requirements: Same as 5550	Pairs Free Skate program in accordance with 5550.	2:10 max

DANCE EVENTS

Event: Partnered Dance

General event parameters:

1. Pre-Juvenile will have one round only consisting of 2 pattern dances. Juvenile through Novice will consist of both the Pattern Dance (2 dances) and Free Dance. Junior and Senior will consist of both the Short and Free dance. The combined result for each level will determine final results. Adult Pre-Bronze through Silver will have one round consisting of 2 pattern dances. Adult Pre-Gold and Gold will consist of both the Pattern Dance (2 dances) and Free Dance with the combined result determining final results.
2. All Pattern Dances will be conducted in accordance with Rule 6070 and number of sequences in accordance with Rule 6075.
3. All Short Dances will be conducted in accordance with Rule 6090.
4. All Free Dances will be conducted in accordance with Rules 6095.

Level	Qualification	Description
Pre-Juvenile	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6250	Rhythm Blues, Fiesta Tango
Juvenile	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6240	PD: Foxtrot, Cha Cha FD: In accordance with 6242, 2:15 +/- 10 sec.
Intermediate	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6230	PD: Tango, Fourteenstep FD: In accordance with 6232, 2:30 +/- 10 sec.
Novice	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6220	PD: Argentine Tango, Quickstep FD: In accordance with 6222, 3:00 +/- 10 sec.
Junior	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6210	SD: In accordance with 6211, 2:50 +/- 10 sec. FD: In accordance with 6212, 3:30 +/- 10 sec.
Senior	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6200	SD: In accordance with 6201, 2:50 +/- 10 sec. FD: In accordance with 6202, 4:00 +/- 10 sec.
Adult Pre- Bronze	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 6590. Both partners must be at least 21 at the close of entries.	Dutch Waltz, Rhythm Blues
Adult Bronze	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 6580. Both partners must be at least 21 at the close of entries.	Cha Cha, Ten-Fox
Adult Pre-Silver	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 6570. Both partners must be at least 21 at the close of entries.	Willow Waltz, Hickory Hoedown
Adult Silver	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 6560. Both partners must be at least 21 at the close of entries.	European Waltz, Fourteenstep
Adult Pre-Gold	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 6530. Both partners must be at least 21 at the close of entries.	PD: Rocker Foxtrot, Kilian FD: In accordance with 6512, 3:10 max.
Adult Gold	Test requirements in accordance with Rule 6520. Both partners must be at least 21 at the close of entries.	PD: Paso Doble, Westminster Waltz FD: In accordance with 6512, 3:10 max.

Event: Partnered Free Dance

This event is not combined with the Pre-Juvenile pattern dances

Level	Qualification	Description
Pre-Juvenile	Test and Age requirements in accordance with Rule 6250	FD: In accordance with 6252, 2:00 +/- 10 sec.

Event: Solo Pattern Dance

General event parameters:

1. The solo pattern dance event is comprised of two dances at each level with the combined result determining the final results.
2. Test level may be determined by either standard or solo dance. Adult and masters standard or solo tracks may also be used to fulfill the testing requirements for this event.
3. **NOTE: This is not a National Solo Dance series event.**

Level	Requirement	Dances
Preliminary	May not have passed higher than the complete Preliminary dance test.	Dutch Waltz (3 sequences) Rhythm Blues (3 sequences)
Pre-Bronze	Passed at least one Preliminary dance test, but no higher than the complete Pre-Bronze dance test.	Cha Cha (3 sequences) Swing Dance (2 sequences)
Bronze	Passed at least one Pre-Bronze dance test, but no higher than the complete Bronze dance test.	Hickory Hoedown (3 sequences) Ten Fox (3 sequences)
Pre-Silver	Passed at least one Bronze dance test, but no higher than the complete Pre-Silver dance test.	European Waltz (2 sequences) Foxtrot (4 sequences)
Silver	Passed at least one Pre-Silver dance test, but no higher than the complete Silver dance test.	Tango (2 sequences) Rocker Foxtrot (4 sequences)
Pre-Gold	Passed at least one Silver dance test, but no higher than the complete Pre-Gold dance test.	Blues (3 sequences) Paso Doble (3 sequences)
Gold	Passed at least one Pre-Gold dance test, but no higher than the complete Gold dance test.	Westminster Waltz (2 sequences) Argentine Tango (2 sequences)
International	Passed the complete Pre-Gold dance test.	Silver Samba (2 sequences) Yankee Polka (2 sequences)

Event: Solo Free Dance

General event parameters:

1. The requirements for the solo free dance will be the same as the solo free dance requirements as outlined in the solo dance series handbook <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479>.
2. All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above of their highest completed dance test. The test level is determined by a skater completing all of the dance tests within that level.

NOTE: This is not a National Solo Dance series event.

Level	Qualification	Duration
Juvenile	Skaters must have passed the standard preliminary solo or standard preliminary partnered dance test and/or the standard solo or partnered juvenile free dance. Skaters must not have passed any solo or partnered pattern dances higher than the complete bronze dance test and must not have passed any solo or partnered free dance tests higher than the juvenile free dance.	1:40 +/- 10 seconds
Intermediate	Skaters must have passed the standard bronze solo or standard bronze partnered pattern dance test and/or have passed the standard solo or partnered intermediate free dance test. Skaters must not have passed any solo or partnered pattern dances higher than the complete pre-silver dance test and no solo or partnered free dance tests higher than intermediate free dance.	2:00 +/- 10 seconds

Novice	Skaters must have passed at least one dance of the standard silver solo or standard silver partnered pattern dance test and/or have passed the standard solo or partnered novice free dance test. Skaters must not have passed any standard solo or partnered pattern dances higher than the complete pre-gold dance test and must not have passed any solo or partnered free dance tests higher than novice free dance.	2:10 +/- 10 seconds
Junior	Skaters must have passed at least two dances of the standard pre-gold solo or standard pre-gold partnered pattern dance test and/or have passed the standard junior solo or partnered free dance test. Skaters must not have passed any solo or partnered pattern dances higher than the complete gold dance test and must not have passed any solo or partnered free dance tests higher than the junior free dance.	2:30 +/- 10 seconds
Senior	Skaters must have passed the standard solo or standard partnered gold pattern dance test and/or have passed the standard senior solo or partnered free dance test.	2:50 +/- 10 seconds

Event: Pro-Am Dance

A dance couple will consist of an eligible skater and a pro (coach) skater. However, it is permissible for two eligible skaters (AM-AM) to enter also. ***Only one competitor from each couple will enter with fees being charged as one unit.*** Skater will need to list their partner. Events will not be divided by age. Each dance will be conducted as a separate event. The number of patterns to be skated for each dance is in parentheses.

Event	Qualification
Pro-Am Rhythm Blues (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Pre-Bronze dance test
Pro-Am Swing Dance (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Bronze dance test
Pro-Am Cha Cha (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Bronze dance test
Pro-Am Willow Waltz (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters who not completed the Pre Silver dance test
Pro-Am Fourteenstep (3 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Silver dance test
Pro-Am Foxtrot (3 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Silver dance test
Pro-Am American Waltz (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Pre- Gold dance test
Pro-Am Rocker Foxtrot (3 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Pre- Gold dance test
Pro-Am Blues (3 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Gold dance test
Pro-Am Starlight Waltz (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters who have not completed the Gold dance test
Pro-Am Viennese Waltz (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters, no test restrictions
Pro-Am Quickstep (3 patterns)	Open to all skaters, no test restrictions
Pro-Am Cha Cha Congelado (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters, no test restrictions
Pro-Am Silver Samba (2 patterns)	Open to all skaters, no test restrictions

Event: Pro-Am Free Dance

A dance couple will consist of an eligible skater and a pro (coach) skater. However, it is permissible for two eligible skaters (AM-AM) to enter also. ***Only one competitor from each couple will enter with fees being charged as one unit.*** Skater will need to list their partner. Events will not be divided by age.

Event	Qualification	Duration
Pro-Am Free Dance	Open to all skaters, no test restrictions	2:40 maximum

Requirements:

The free dance should incorporate a variety of holds, steps and turns from the pre-bronze, bronze, pre-silver and/or silver pattern dance tests. Original dance holds and maneuvers are encouraged.

Required elements:

Spin: One dance spin selected from the following types:

- a. **Spin:** Minimum two revolutions on one foot by each partner;
- b. **Spin Combination:** Minimum two revolutions on one foot by each partner for each part of the spin. There is allowed up to one-half rotation on two feet while changing to the other foot simultaneously by each partner.

Step Sequence: A diagonal step sequence in dance hold fully utilizing the ice surface from corner to corner. The sequence should include a variety of steps and turns and must include three-turns and mohawks executed by both partners.

Up to three additional required elements are to be chosen from the following three types:

- a. **Lifts:** One or two different types of short lifts (not to exceed six seconds), but no more from the following: stationary lift, straight line lift, curve lift or rotational lift. Combination lifts (not to exceed 12 seconds) are not allowed.
- b. **Circular Step Sequence** in dance hold(s). The sequence must be a complete circle utilizing the full width of the ice surface (on the short axis of the rink). The circle must be closed and complete.
- c. **Twizzles:** One or two twizzle elements, either synchronized twizzles or a series of synchronized twizzles, minimum one revolution by both partners simultaneously. If two twizzle elements are chosen, they must differ either in the number or direction of rotations and/or in the entry edge.

SPECIAL NEEDS EVENT

This event was originated at the request of Olympic Champion Kristi Yamaguchi and her family.

Skaters in any Special Skater program of **any level, either singles or pairs or groups** may enter. Skaters may perform with assistance (including assistive devices or coach assistance) or without. Vocal music is permitted. Every event will be one entrant only, unless the creation of groups is deemed appropriate by the Chief Referee. All skaters will receive an award. Program duration should be 1 to 1-1/2 minutes.