

**2016 EASTERN ADULT SECTIONAL  
FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS  
NONQUALIFYNG ANNOUNCEMENT**



***Philadelphia Skating Club & Humane Society  
220 Holland Ave., Ardmore, PA 19003***

***Hosted by Philadelphia Skating Club &  
Humane Society  
March 4-6, 2016***



## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The 2016 Eastern Adult Sectional Figure Skating Championships Nonqualifying Competition will be held March 4-6, 2016 at the Philadelphia Skating Club & Humane Society (PSC&HS) located at 220 Holland Avenue, Ardmore, PA. The competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating as set forth in the current rulebook as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website. The event is sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and hosted by the PSC&HS.

## **ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and is a currently registered member in good standing of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. 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 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. Test and age requirements are as of February 1, 2016 (Close of entries.).

## **Age Groups:**

- Young Adult: 18-20
- Group I: 21-35 years
- Group II: 36-45 years
- Group III: 46-55 years
- Group IV: 56-65 years
- Group V: 66 and older

## **ENTRIES**

The entry deadline for the 2016 Eastern Adult Sectional Figure Skating Championships is **11:59p.m., February 1, 2016**. The home club will determine the entry deadline of 11:59p.m., February 1, 2016. **NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DEADLINE. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Secure online registration via the event page is the **ONLY** method available for entry. This can be access through the Club website [www.pschs.org](http://www.pschs.org)

No changes may be made to a competitor's application once the deadline has passed. Please double check your event registration with your coach. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ENTERED THE CORRECT CATEGORY.

## **FEES:**

\$130 First Nonqualifying IJS Single Event

\$100 First Nonqualifying IJS Single Event if entered into a Qualifying Event

\$90 First Nonqualifying 6.0 Single Event

\$75 Each additional Singles Event (If first event is either Qualifying or Nonqualifying)

\$130 First Dance Event per team (\$65 per individual)

\$130 First Pairs Event per team (\$65 per individual)

\$90 Each additional partnered event (\$45 per individual) (If first event is either Qualifying or Nonqualifying)

Your registration is not valid until all appropriate entry and administrative fees have been paid and all required forms have been completed online.

## **REFUND POLICY**

Once entries have closed, **February 1, 2016, there will absolutely be NO entry fee refunds granted except for canceled events (less than two entries) or death in the immediate family.**

Entry fees are only refundable if the competition is not held. There are no refunds for medical withdrawals. The chief referee reserves the right to combine, divide or cancel an event when necessary. The online processing fees are not refundable. Contested credit card charges will be issued a \$20 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available on the event website and the event page at [www.pschs.org](http://www.pschs.org)

## **LIABILITY**

U.S. Figure Skating, and the Philadelphia Skating Club & Humane Society accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

## **ARENA INFORMATION**

All events will be held at the PSC&HS, 220 Holland Avenue, Ardmore, PA. Website: [pschs.org](http://pschs.org); phone number: 610-642-8700. The ice surface measures 195' x 85' with NO boards. 5" edge. No smoking is permitted in the PSC&HS. No flash pictures permitted during events. Dressing rooms, skate shop, snack bar, and free parking are all available on site.

## **JUDGING SYSTEMS**

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events: *Masters Junior-Senior, Masters Intermediate-Novice, and Adult Gold Mens and Ladies Freeskate Events.*

All competitors skating in these events need to submit the planned program content form online. This form is found in the Member's Only section at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org). The

deadline to submit the form is February 1, 2016. Please select 2016 Eastern Adult Sectional Figure Skating Championships Nonqualifying Competition.

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for: *All remaining events.*

## **REGISTRATION**

Registration desk will be located at the front office located to your right after you enter the building. Registration desk will open approximately one hour prior to the start of events. All skaters are expected to be in the arena one hour prior to the start of their scheduled event.

## **BULLETIN AND NOTICES**

The official schedule and all notices will be posted at the front entrance of the building immediately to the left.

The official schedule of events and all notices will be posted on the official bulletin board and will supersede all other schedules. It is the responsibility of each participating team to check the official bulletin board for all official information. Notices posted here are considered sufficient notice to all teams. All teams must check the official board frequently.

## **AWARDS**

Medals will be presented to athletes in first through fourth place in each championship event. Awards will be presented at times designated on the official bulletin board.

## **ADMISSION**

Admission tickets are required for all events. Admission tickets are \$10/daily or \$15/all event pass. Tickets may be purchased at the registration window.

## **CREDENTIALS**

Each athlete will receive complimentary credentials for 1 chaperone and 1 designated approved coach.

The credentials are marked with the individual's name and are non-transferable. You must have credentials to enter PSC&HS, the warm-up area and the locker rooms. One additional chaperone and coach credentials may be purchased at the registration desk. Additional chaperone and coach credentials badges are \$5.

At the time of registration, AFTER competition music has been turned in, each competitor will receive their credential badges for themselves and their chaperone. The competitor's coach will pick up their credential badge separately at check-in.

**A photo ID must be shown by all chaperones and coaches when the credential is picked up.**  
BADGES are non-transferable!

Badges must be worn at all times while in PSC&HS. Any lost badges will be replaced for an additional charge of \$5 per badge.

## **INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES**

Consistent with US Figure Skating rules, all coaches must be listed as Coaches Education requirement (CER) Category B compliant (or higher). A chart of US Figure Skating requirements for coaches can be found on the US Figure Skating website at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org)

The local organizing committee/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. and is not on the list or 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 practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without proper registration is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Action photos will be available for purchase at the event. ***Please note: Flash photography of the competition, including practice ice, is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating policy.***

## **VIDEOGRAPHY**

A professional video service will be available. Please check event website for more details. ***Please note: videotaping of the competition, including practice ice, in any form is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating policy.***

**SPECTATOR CONDUCT:** Celebratory items may be thrown onto the ice following the completion of a skater's performance. Items should be limited to small stuffed toys, flowers, or pre-packaged snacks or candy. All items tossed onto the ice MUST be securely wrapped in a fastened plastic bag.

## **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

If you would like your photo in the event souvenir program, email a photo to Mary Mycek at [pschs@pschs.org](mailto:pschs@pschs.org), no later than February 1, 2016. Photos should be a "yearbook style" headshot in JPEG or PNG format with a pixel resolution of at least 600 x400 pixels. Detailed instructions with a link to the email address will be available on the event website [pschs.org](http://pschs.org). Photographs and media forms will be used for the program and publicity of the event. Submission of a competition entry automatically grants permission to use all accompanying information, including photographs, for publicizing these Championships. Programs can be purchased at the cost of \$10 per program. Go to the event website or to the PSC&HS Club website ([www.pschs.org](http://www.pschs.org)) and follow the links to place your order. It is in your best interest to pre-purchase your program, as there will be a limited availability at the event.

## **MERCHANDISE**

Event merchandise will be available for pre-purchase. Go to the event website or to the PSC&HS Club website ([www.pschs.org](http://www.pschs.org)) and follow the links to place your order for event merchandise. There will be limited merchandise available for purchase at the event and it is STRONGLY recommended that you pre-order.

## **MUSIC**

**Unplayable music media may result in disqualification from your event.** For all events, CD's or mini disks will be accepted. They must be clearly marked with name, event, and music length. Each CD or mini-disk must have only one track recorded on it. **Due to compatibility and reliability reasons no music may be submitted on re-recordable "CD-RW" discs.**

Please pick up your music promptly after your event has ended.

All possible care will be taken, however, PSC&HS assumes no responsibility or liability due to loss or damage to any music. **All competitors must have duplicate music available at rink side during their event in case of a problem with the original disk.**

## **SCHEDULE / GROUPS**

A tentative schedule is provided below. This schedule is subject to change based on the number of entries and includes both the qualifying and the non-qualifying events. An updated schedule will be posted on the event web site at [www.pschs.org](http://www.pschs.org) as soon as possible following the close of entries (entries close on February 1, 2016).

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2016 (evening)**

Official & Unofficial Practice Ice

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2016 (morning)**

Official & Unofficial Practice Ice

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2016 (afternoon – evening depending on number of entries)**

Masters Jr-Sr NQ FS Ladies & Men  
Masters Int-Nov NQ FS Ladies & Men  
Adult Gold NQ FS Ladies & Men  
Adult Masters & Gold Pairs NQ  
Championship Adult Dance Pattern Dance  
Adult Couples Pattern Dance IR  
Adult Solo Pattern Dance

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016 (all day)**

Championship Masters Jr-Sr FS Ladies & Men  
Championship Masters Int-Nov FS Ladies & Men  
Championship Adult Gold FS Ladies & Men  
Championship Adult Silver FS Ladies & Men  
Championship Dance (Free Dance)  
Championship Masters Pairs  
Championship Gold Pairs  
**ALL** Dramatic Skate Events  
**ALL** Light Entertainment Events  
Adult Bronze & Silver Pairs NQ  
Adult Couples Pattern Dance FR

**SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016 (morning – afternoon depending on number of entries)**

- Adult Silver NQ FS Ladies & Men
- Adult Bronze NQ FS Ladies & Men
- Adult Pre-Bronze NQ FS Ladies & Men
- Compulsory Moves Events Ladies & Men
- Spin Events Ladies & Men

**EVENT INFORMATION**

The program requirements for all levels and disciplines are posted on the U.S. Figure Skating web site at <http://www.usfsa.org> **Compliance with these rules as updated or amended is the responsibility of the participants.** Please refer to this web site often for continuous updates.

**ADULT SINGLES FREE SKATING EVENTS:** Please click on following link for requirements: <http://www.usfsa.org/content/2015-16%20Adult%20Singles%20WBP%20Chart%20v1%2006-17-15.pdf>

**ADULT PAIRS FREE SKATING:** Please click following link for requirements: <http://www.usfsa.org/content/2015-16%20Adult%20Pairs%20WBP%20Chart%20v1%2006-17-15.pdf>

**ADULT FREE DANCE:** Please click following link for requirements: <http://www.usfsa.org/content/2015-16%20Adult%20FD%20Chart%20v1%2006-17-15.pdf>

**PATTERN DANCE (PARTNERED):** Please click on following link for dances for all levels: <http://www.usfsa.org/content/2015-16%20Pattern%20Dance%20Chart%20v2%2005%2015%2015%20JMR.pdf>

**SOLO DANCE EVENTS:** Please click on following link for dances for all levels: <http://www.usfsa.org/content/2015-16%20Pattern%20Dance%20Chart%20v2%2005%2015%2015%20JMR.pdf>

**Dramatic & Light Entertainment Skate:** For masters dramatic skate, masters light entertainment skate, adult gold dramatic skate, adult gold light entertainment skate, adult silver dramatic skate, adult silver light entertainment skate, adult bronze dramatic skate and adult bronze light entertainment skate, test qualifications as of the closing date of entries, program duration, program requirements and restrictions, and judging and marking will be as specified in the nonqualifying competition showcase guidelines, posted on <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=308>

**ADULT COMPULSORY MOVES**

General event parameters:

1. Elements may be skated in any order. Connecting steps are allowed, but will not be taken into consideration in scoring. Elements 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.

Level	Time	Elements
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:15	1. Backward crossovers (Min. 5 consecutive) 2. Waltz jump 3. Forward upright spin (Min. 3 revolutions) 4. Forward outside spiral
Adult Bronze	1:15	1. Single Salchow 2. Waltz jump – toe loop combination jump 3. Sit spin (Min. 3 revolutions)

		4. Spiral sequence (Min. 2 spirals)
Adult Silver	1:30	1. Single loop 2. Single/single jump combination 3. Sit spin (Min. 3 revolutions) 4. Straight line step sequence
Adult Gold	1:30	1. Single Lutz or Axel 2. Single/single or single/double jump combination 3. Camel spin (Min. 4 revolutions) 4. Straight line step sequence
Masters Intermediate/Novice	2:00	1. Axel, double Salchow , double toe loop or double loop 2. Jump combination (double/double, single/double or double/single) that may include double Salchow , double toe loop or double loop and any single jump including Axel 3. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 6 revolutions) 4. Straight line step sequence
Masters Junior/Senior	2:00	1. Choice of any double jump 2. Jump combination that may include any double jump 3. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 8 revolutions) 4. Straight line step sequence

## ADULT SPINS CHALLENGE

### General event parameters:

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..
2. All events are skated on ½ ice.
3. Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:15	1. One-foot upright spin (3) 2. Two-foot upright spin (3)
Adult Bronze	1:15	1. One-foot upright spin (4) 2. One-foot back spin (3) 3. Sit spin (3)
Adult Silver	1:30	1. Camel spin (3) 2. Layback, sideways leaning or sit spin (4) 3. Combination spin with at least one change of position, no change of foot (3 in each position)
Adult Gold	1:30	1. Solo spin, no change of foot (4) 2. Second solo spin, different from the first; change of foot optional (4) 3. Combination spin with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 each foot)
Masters Intermediate/Novice	1:30	1. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 6 revolutions) 2. Second solo spin, different from the first; change of foot optional (4) May have a flying entry 3. Combination spin that may have more than one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 each foot)
Masters Junior/Senior	1:30	1. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 8 revolutions) 2. Solo spin with a flying entry 3. Combination spin that may have more than one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 each foot). May have a flying entry



## **ACCOMODATIONS**

Please make your reservations early to guarantee you have the necessary room(s). All hotel information may also be viewed on the event website [pschs.org](http://pschs.org).

### **OFFICIAL HOTEL:**

The official hotel is the Radnor Hotel located at 591 East Lancaster Avenue, St. Davids, PA 19087. Their phone number is 610-688-5800. A special rate of \$99 per night is available on the nights of March 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (plus tax). Please refer to the Philadelphia Skating Club when placing your reservation. You can contact the Reservations department directly at 610-688-5800 or 800-537-3000 between the hours of 8 am to 8 pm. This rate is not available on-line. Please be sure to make your reservation prior to February 5, 2016 to receive this special rate. Please note that this hotel is a non-smoking hotel (additional \$250 per night fee will be charged to a guest smoking in a room). The Radnor Hotel is located approximately 15 minutes from the PSC&HS. For more information on this hotel, please visit their website at [Radnorhotel.com](http://Radnorhotel.com).

## **TRANSPORTATION**

PSC&HS is located approximately 30 minutes/18 miles from the Philadelphia International Airport (PHL). There are rental cars available at the airport in addition to train service from the airport (train service is available from PHL Airport to 30<sup>th</sup> Street Station and pick up the Paoli/Thorndale line to the Ardmore station or the Radnor station; see [septa.org](http://septa.org) for more information).

## **PRACTICE ICE**

All skaters must register at the registration desk prior to skating any practice session. Skaters must turn in their music at the registration desk for the competition prior to being allowed on practice ice. There will NOT be any refunds after signing up for any practice ice sessions or for missed practice sessions due to any reason.

Safety on the ice is the responsibility of the skater. The size and makeup of practice ice groups will be determined by the Chief Referee and/or the LOC. Skaters are expected to follow usual rink etiquette. Coaching shall be from behind the side boards. Coaches are not permitted to be in the music box or on the platform for the officials. Skaters who are not skating shall leave the ice surface to rest or converse. Only credentialed coaches and credentialed athletes will be permitted in the restricted areas with access to the ice.

### **UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE ICE:**

All practice ice offered for nonqualifying events will be unofficial practice ice. Unofficial practice ice will be available in 30 minute segments for \$15 if pre-ordered/ \$20 when purchased at the event (if available). It is strongly suggested that you purchase unofficial practice ice in advance. Unofficial Practice will be available for purchase after the close of entries on Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. Each skater will receive an email with instructions. Music will NOT be played on unofficial practice sessions.

## LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE – CONTACT INFORMATION

Please contact event chairs via email and allow up to 48 hours for responses to be provided.

<b>Competition Chair(s):</b>	<b>Ann O’Keefe (<a href="mailto:am1ok@aol.com">am1ok@aol.com</a>) or Charlotte Martin (<a href="mailto:martinsc705@gmail.com">martinsc705@gmail.com</a>)</b>		
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