

BIG RIVER COMPETION
WINONA, MN - St. Mary's University
MARCH 5, 2016
Testing March 4, 2017

The annual Learn to Skate Competition is growing each year and promises to be a great experience for all who enter. This competition caters to early skaters from Snowplow Sam and Learn to Skate classes up through USFSA Preliminary level competitors. Every participant receives and award.

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 4, 2017 The 4th annual Big River Competition sponsored by Winona Figure Skating Club, Winona, MN 55987 will be held at St. Mary's University Ice Arena; 700 Terrace Heights; Winona, MN on March 5, 2017.

RULES COMPETE USA COMPETITION

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Learn to Skate USA program and those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with Learn to Skate USA or a member club. There will be no more than six competitors maximum in an event and all six will receive an award.

Eligibility and Test Requirements:

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All **Snowplow Sam and Basic Skills 1-6** skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including Moves in the Field or individual dances.

For the **Pre-free skate**, **free skate 1-6**, **test track and Well Balanced levels**, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed (Moves in the Field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher, but not both levels in the same event during the same competition. Skaters may not compete at more than one level in the same type event at the same competition.

ENTRIES AND FEES - The first event is \$45.00 and each additional event is \$15.00. NO refunds after closing date unless event is canceled by Winona Figure Skating. Registrations will be open to the first 100 registrations. All entry fees are per person in U.S. dollars and registration forms must be filled out completely. Late entries will be accepted only if the limit has not been reach, at the discretion of the organizers.

<u>Secure online registration</u> will be available at http://winonafigureskating.org through Entryeeze. Charges will show up as Winona Figure Skating. Those contesting charges will be assessed a \$30.00 fee. On online processing fee also applies. Entries received after February 4th will be considered late and assessed a late feed of \$25.00.

<u>Paper entries</u> must be postmarked no later than February 10, 2016. PAPER ENTRY FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY and returned with fee check made payabe to Winona Figure Skating. There will be a \$30.00 fee for returned checks. There is an additional \$10 processing fee for paper registrations.

AWARDS – Everyone will receive an award. All events will be final rounds. Medals will be awarded to all places. ALL awards will be made appropriate times throughout the competition.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS – Will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board no later than February 28, 2017. Information regarding groups and skating time will be emailed out prior to the beginning of competition.

PRACTICE ICE – Practice ice will be available on March 4th and 5th in 20 minute increments. Fees are \$10 for pre-registered skaters and \$15 for registrations at the door. A maximum of 15 skaters will be allowed on the ice during any once ice session. You may sign up for NO MORE THAN TWO SESSIONS on a first come first served basis.

MUSIC – The music for all free skating programs and showcase must be provided on CD's by the skater. CD's should be clearly marked with the name of the skater, event entered, and length of music. Competition music is to be turned in at the time of registration.

VIDEO TAPING AND PHOTOGRPHS – Videotaping will not be available for the competition. Action photos will be available online and purchased at winonafigureskating.smugmug.com

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR INSTRUCTORS/COACHES

When hosting a Compete USA competition, it is important that you verify the U.S. Figure Skating credentials of each coach/instructor who plans to work on-site at the event. You can verify the status of coaches/instructors by checking the lists on the U.S. Figure Skating website. This report can be found on www.usfigureskating.org by going to the "Coaches" page and clicking on the "Information for Clubs" or "Learn to Skate USA Instructor Registration" pages.

If a coach/instructor attempts to work at your event without the proper credentials, he or she is in violation of U.S. Figure Skating ethics and code of conduct rules and, as such, is subject to disciplinary action. Please consult the Coach Compliance Toolkit for further information and the forms to report the violation.



ILLUSTRATION OF THE PROGRESSION THROUGH THE LEVELS OF U.S FIGURE SKATING

Singles athletes begin with the Learn to Skate USA program, then progress to the "introductory levels," and finally choose whether to follow the test track or Well Balanced program category. Athletes may choose to move between test track and Well Balanced program at any point.

LEARN TO SKATE USA PROGRAM

Competition levels for skaters within Compete USA include: Snowplow Sam Basic 1-6, Adult 1-6, Hockey 1-4 Pre-Free Skate and Free Skate 1-6

> Skaters may begin or advance to the "introductory levels," which are an introduction to competitive figure skating.

Once skaters have competed at the introductory level, and begin the official U.S. Figure Skating test structure, they may then choose whether to enter the "Test Track Free Skate" or "Well Balanced Free Skate" program. Test requirements for both categories are the same, it is completely the choice of the athlete which track to follow.

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track to follow. They may not, however,

enter both events at the same competition.

They may also move between the tracks at different nonqualifying

competitions

INTRODUCTORY **LEVELS**

TEST TRACK FREE SKATE

Pre-Preliminary

Preliminary

Pre-Juvenile

Juvenile

Intermediate

Novice

Junior

Senior

WELL BALANCED PROGRAM FREE SKATE Skaters may choose, at any point, which

No-Test

Pre-Preliminary

Preliminary

Pre-Juvenile

Juvenile/Open Juv.

Intermediate

Novice

Junior

Senior (Post nber 1, 2016)

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EVENT: Basic Elements Event: SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 6

Format choice of the host: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee or have the option to perform one element at a time in the <u>order listed below</u> (no excessive connecting steps). Referee driven format examples: all skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on, or each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater.

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice.
- No music.
- All elements must be skated in the order listed.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		March followed by a two-foot glide and dip
Snowplow	1:00 max.	 Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row
Sam		Forward snowplow stop
		Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
		Forward two-foot glide and dip
Basic 1	1:00 max.	 Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row
		 Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot
		Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
		Forward one-foot glide, either foot
Basic 2	1:00 max.	 Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot
		Moving snowplow stop
		Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward
		Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row
		Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade
Basic 3	1:00 max.	 Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		Forward slalom
		Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot
		 Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left
Basic 4	1:00 max.	 Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise
		 Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions
		Beginning two-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions
		 Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, one direction only
		Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
		 Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions
Basic 5	1:00 max.	 Advanced two-foot spin, 4-6 revolutions
		Forward outside three-turn, right and left
		Hockey stop
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left
Basic 6	1:00 max.	Bunny Hop
		Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left
		 Beginning one-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry
		T-stop, right or left



EVENT: Basic Program Event: SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 6

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise specified.

- To be skated on full ice.
- The skater may use elements from a previous level.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		March followed by a two-foot glide and dip
Snowplow	1:10 max.	 Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row
Sam		Forward snowplow stop
		Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
		Forward two-foot glide and dip
Basic 1	1:10 max.	 Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row
		 Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot
		Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
		Forward one-foot glide, either foot
Basic 2	1:10 max.	 Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot
		Moving snowplow stop
		Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward
		Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row
		Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade
Basic 3	1:10 max.	 Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		Forward slalom
		Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot
		 Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left
Basic 4	1:10 max.	 Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise
		 Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions
		Beginning two-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions
		Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, one direction only
		Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
	1:10 max.	 Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions
Basic 5		Advanced two-foot spin, 4-6 revolutions
		Forward outside three-turn, right and left
		Hockey stop
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left
Basic 6	1:10 max.	Bunny Hop
		Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left
		 Beginning one-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry
		T-stop, right or left



EVENT: Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 6 Compulsory Event

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time: 1:15 max

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max	 Forward inside open Mohawk from a standstill position (R to L and L to R) Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise
		 One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions
		Mazurka (Right and Left)
		Waltz jump
		Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	Backward outside three-turns, right and left
		 Upright spin, entry from backward crossovers - minimum 4-6 revolutions
		Toe loop
		Half flip jump
		 Alternating forward outside and inside spirals on a continuous axis (2 sets)
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	Backward inside three-turns, right and left
		Beginning back spin, up to two revolutions
		Half Lutz
		Salchow jump
		 Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	Waltz three-turns, clockwise and counterclockwise
		Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, min 3 revs
		Loop jump
		Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination
Funn Cluster 4	4.45	Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	Sit spin - minimum three revolutions
		Half loop jump
		Flip jump
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	 Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both directions
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		Camel spin - minimum three revolutions Waltz jump loop jump combination
		Waltz jump-loop jump combinationLutz jump
		Forward power pulls, right and left
Free Skate 6	1:15 max.	Split jump or stag jump
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		Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence
		Axel jump
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EVENT: Pre-Free Skate - Free Skate 6 Program Event

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times an element is executed, length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise stated. Connecting steps and transitions should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- To be skated on full ice.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time 1:40 max.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:40 max	 Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions Mazurka (Right and Left) Waltz jump
Free Skate 1	1:40 max	 Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes Upright spin, entry from backward crossovers - minimum 4-6 revolutions Toe loop jump Half flip jump
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	 Alternating forward outside and inside spirals on a continuous axis (2 sets) Beginning back spin, up to two revolutions Half Lutz Salchow jump
Free Skate 3	1:40 max	 Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, min 3 revs Loop jump Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	 Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left Sit spin - minimum three revolutions Half Loop jump Flip jump
Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	 Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both directions Camel spin - minimum three revolutions Waltz-loop jump combination Lutz jump
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	 Split jump or stag jump Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence Axel jump



EVENT: Introductory Levels Compulsory Event

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	Waltz jump½ jump of choice
Degimiei	1.13 max.	Forward two-foot or one-foot spin - minimum three revolutions (free
		leg position optional) • Forward or backward spiral
		Toe loop jump
High Beginner	1:15 max.	Salchow jump
		 Forward scratch spin - minimum three revolutions Forward or backward spiral



EVENT: Introductory Levels Free Skate Program

- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice.
- 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.
- Minimum number of spin revolutions are in parentheses following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.

Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Beginner 1:40 Maximum	 Max. 5 jump elements: 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: • Two upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA free skating badge tests
High Beginner 1:40 Maximum	 Max. 5 jump elements: Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only. Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences Max. 2 of any same type jump. 	Max. 2 spins: • Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA free skating badge tests



EVENT: COMPULSORY MOVES

- Elements skated on ½ ice
- Elements may be performed only once
- Music is not allowed

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		Loop jump
No-Test	1:15 max.	 Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)
		 Solo spin - sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions
		 Spiral sequence, must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional
		spirals and balance moves may be included.
		Toe Loop jump
Pre-Preliminary	1:15 max.	 Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)
		Sit spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions
		 Spiral sequence with one forward spiral and one backward spiral (any edge)
		Lutz jump
Preliminary	1:15 max.	 Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)
		Back upright spin - minimum three revolutions
		Forward inside spiral



EVENT: WELL BALANCED PROGRAM FREE SKATE

- Skaters may <u>not</u> enter both a Well Balanced Free Skate event and a Test Track Free Skate event at the same nonqualifying competition.
- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice.
- 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.

Level	Time	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences
No-Test	1:40 Maximu m	 Max. 5 jump elements: Single jumps, with the exception of the single Axel, are allowed No single Axels, double jumps or triple jumps Maximum of 2 jump combinations or sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is permitted Jump sequences limited to a maximum of 3 single jumps Half-loop is considered a listed jump with the value of a single loop when used in a sequence or combination 	Max. 2 spins: Spins may change feet and/or position Spins may start with a fly Minimum 3 revs. Spins must be of a different character (For definition see rule 4103E)	Step sequence* Must use one-half the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements. Jumps may be included in the step sequence
Pre-Preliminary	1:40 Maximu m Vocal music permitte d	 Maximum of 5 jump elements: All single jumps, including single Axel, allowed No double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed Axel may be repeated once as a solo jump, as part of a jump combination or jump sequence. (maximum of 2 single Axels) Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences Jump combinations are limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 jumps is permitted. Jump sequences limited to a maximum of 3 single jumps ½ loop is considered a listed jump with the value of a single loop when used in a sequence or combination 	Maximum of 2 spins: Spins may change feet and/or position. Spins may start with a fly. Minimum of 3 revolutions These spins must be of a different character (For definition see Rule 4103 (E)	One step sequence One step sequenced that must use ½ of the ice surface. Moves in the field and spiral sequences are permitted, but will not count as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence
Preliminary	1:40 Maximu m Vocal music permitte d	 Maximum of 5 jump elements: One must be an Axel or Waltz-jump type jump All single jumps, including single Axel, allowed. Only 2 different jumps may be attempted (limited to double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop) Double flip, double Lutz, double Axel, triple or quadruple jumps are not allowed An Axel plus up to two different, allowable double jumps may be repeated once (but not more) as solo jumps or part of jump combinations or jump sequences Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Jump combinations are limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 2 double jumps and 1 single jump is permitted. Jump sequences limited to a maximum of 3 single or double jumps ½ loop is considered a listed jump with the value of a single loop when used in a sequence or combination 	Spins may change feet and/or position. Spins may start with a fly. Minimum of 3 revolutions These spins must be of a different character (For definition see Rule 4103 (E)	One step sequenced that must use ½ of the ice surface. Moves in the field and spiral sequences are permitted, but will not count as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence



EVENT: Test Track Free Skate

- Skaters may <u>not</u> enter both a Well Balanced Free Skate event and a Test Track Free Skate event at the same nonqualifying competition.
- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.
- 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.
- Minimum number of spin revolutions are in () following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.
- 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	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Pre-Preliminary 1:40 max.	Maximum of 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop only Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Maximum 2 of any same type jump	Maximum of 2 spins: Two spins of a different nature, one position only. No change of foot, no flying entry (Minimum 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre- preliminary free skate test.
Preliminary 1:40 max	Maximum of 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels) Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Maximum 2 of any same type jump	Maximum of 2 spins: One spin in one position; no change of foot, no flying entry. (Minimum 3 revolutions) One spin consisting of a front scratch to back scratch; exit on spinning foot not mandatory. (Min. 3 revolutions per foot)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test, but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test.



ADULT EVENTS: Program Event

Adult 1-6 Free Skate, Pre-Bronze and Bronze:

The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted to the number of times element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- Vocal music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use, but is not required to use, any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time 1:30+/-10 sec unless otherwise noted

Adult 1	Adult 4
Falling and Recovery	Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left
Forward Marching	 Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left
Forward two-foot glide	Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
 Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row) 	Backward one-foot glides, right and left
Forward snowplow stop – two feet or one foot	Hockey stop, both directions
Adult 2	Adult 5
 Forward skating across the width of the ice 	 Backward outside edge on a circle, right and left
 Forward one-foot glides 	Backward inside edge on a circle, right and left
Forward slalom	Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
Backward skating	 Forward outside three-turn, right and left
Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row	Beginning two-foot spin
Adult 3	Adult 6
 Forward stroking using the blade properly 	 Forward stroking with crossover end patterns
 Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, 	 Backward stroking with crossover end patterns
clockwise and counterclockwise	 Forward inside three-turn, right and left
 Backward skating to a long two-foot glide 	• T-stop
Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise	• Lunge
 Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left 	Two-foot spin into one-foot spin
Adult Pre-Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult pre-bronze	Adult Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult bronze free skate
free skate test or pre-preliminary free skate test. Time: 1:40 maximum	test or the preliminary free skate test.
Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #4600 for specific	Time: 1:50 maximum
requirements.	Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #4590 for specific requirements.



HOCKEY EVENTS: Hockey 1-4 Elements and Skills Competition

Hockey 1-4 participants and members of Winona Area Youth Hockey association are invited to participate in this event. This is a fun and challenging skills competition. Ages will be divided by 8 & under, 10 & under, 12 & under, 14 & under, 16 & under, 18 & under, and adult. These age groups may be combined based upon number of entries.

Hockey 1-4 Elements: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee. The following elements have been chosen for the skaters to perform. Format choice: All skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on **OR** each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater.

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- All elements must be skated in the order listed
- Time: 1:00 or less

Hockey	1
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- Proper basic hockey stance, forward and backward
- March forward across the ice, 8-10 steps
- Two-foot glides and dips from forward marching
- Forward swizzles / double C-cuts (4-6 in a row)
- Stationary Snowplow Stop

Hockey 3

- Forward C-cuts (1/2 swizzle pumps) on a circle, both directions
- Forward outside edges on half circles, alternating feet on the axis
- Forward inside edges on half circles, alternating feet on the axis
- Backward C-Cuts on a circle, both directions
- Backward snowplow stops, one foot and two feet V-stop

Hockey 2

- Forward strides using 45 degree V-Push, focus on good recovery and alternating arm drive
- Forward C-cuts: single leg and alternating feet in a straight line
- Backward hustle or march, then glide on two feet
- Backward swizzles / double C-cuts (4 6)
- Two-foot moving Snowplow stop

Hockey 4

- Quick starts using forward V-Start
- Backward one-foot glide, right and left
- Forward crossovers on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise
- Backward crossovers on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise
- Hockey stops (to right and left, with speed)

Hockey Skills Challenge: Skaters will complete each of the four following skills competitions. Stations will be set up according to the descriptions below. Skaters earn points upon placement in each station (First place - 5 points, second place - 4 points, third place - 3 points, fourth place - 2 points, fifth place - 1 point). Highest combined total wins.

- 1. Fastest Skater: Starting at the center red line, have skaters complete one lap around all of the dots and behind the nets. Cones will be placed on each red dot to outline to course. 2-4 skaters can race at a time at different sides of the red line. Using stop watch. Fastest skater wins.
- 2. Stick Handling: Two rows of staggered cones will be placed down the length of ice. Skaters will stick handle through the cones down one length and back again. Shortest time wins. A missed cone is a 5-second penalty.
- **3.** Agility: An obstacle course will be set up with cones for forward and backward skating, turns and stops. Fastest skater wins.
- **4.** Passing: Stationary targets (i.e. cones, bucket, mini-net) will be set up 25 feet away from starting line. Each skater receives 10 pucks to try to hit each target. Highest number of hits wins.
- **5.** Utilizing a Shooter Tutor make shots as specified by age level.

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SHOWCASE EVENTS:

Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic, Free Skate, Beginner through Preliminary and Adult Bronze. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event or highest test level of skater's in the group ensemble or production number. If a free skate event is not being entered, skaters must enter at their current test level or one level higher. Vocal music is permitted.

Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal. A 0.2 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judge's mark for each five seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical 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 contestant's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of props and ice.

6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

* For specific guidelines regarding the conduct of Showcase competitions, refer to the Nonqualifying Showcase Guidelines posted on www.usfigureskating.org.

Showcase categories may include:

- Levels can be subdivided, if necessary, depending on entry numbers and event set up
- Dramatic entertainment: Showcase program utilizing intense emotional skating quality to depict choreographic theme.
- Light entertainment: Showcase program emphasizing such choreographic expressive qualities such as comedy, love and mime while incorporating skating skills.
- Duets: Theatrical/artistic performances by any competitors.
- Mini production ensembles: Theatrical performances by three to seven competitors.
- Production ensembles: Theatrical performances by eight to 30 skaters. Theater On Ice teams are eligible as production ensembles. NOTE: Skaters may enter only one each duet, mini production or production event.

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Basic 1-6	Elements only from Basic 1-6 curriculum	May not have passed any higher than Basic 6 level.	Time: 1:00 max.
Pre-Free Skate-Free Skate 6/ Beginner/High Beginner/ Adult 1-6	3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop.	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.	Time: 1:30 max.
No Test/ Pre-Preliminary/ Adult Pre-Bronze	3 jump maximum. No Axels or double jumps permitted.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary or Adult pre-Bronze free skate test.	Time: 1:30 max.
Preliminary/ Adult Bronze	3 jump maximum. Axels are permitted, but no double jumps allowed.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze test.	Time: 1:40 max.

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EVENT: Spins Challenge

General event parameters:

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

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards		
		 Upright one-foot spin (3) 		
Beginner	1:30 max.	 Upright two-foot spin (3) 		
		Sit spin (3)		
		 Upright one-foot spin (3) 		
High	1:30 max.	 Upright two-foot spin (3) 		
Beginner		Sit spin (3)		
		 Upright one-foot spin (3) 		
No Test	1:30 max.	 Upright two-foot spin (3) 		
		Sit spin (3)		
		 Upright one-foot spin (3) 		
Pre –	1:30 max.	 Upright back-scratch spin (3) 		
Preliminary • Sit spin (3)		Sit spin (3)		
		Forward scratch to back scratch spin (3)		
Preliminary	1:30 max.	 Combination spin with no change of foot (4) 		
		Sit spin (3)		

EVENT: Jumps Challenge

- Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
- To be skated on ½ ice

• 10 be skated off /2 ice				
Level	Time	Skating rules / standards		
		Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)		
Beginner	1:15 max.	2. ½ flip or ½ Lutz		
		3. Single Salchow		
Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)		Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)		
High	1:15 max.	2. Single Salchow		
Beginner		3. Jump combination – Waltz jump-toe loop		
		1. Single toe loop		
No Test	1:15 max.	2. Single loop		
		3. Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)		
		1. Single toe loop		
Pre –	1:15 max.	2. Single flip		
Preliminary		3. Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)		
		1. Single flip		
Preliminary	1:15 max.	2. Single Lutz		
		3. Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)		

Winona Figure Skating COMPETE USA COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

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Please	check the event(s) you a	re entering:		
	Basic Elements:		Basic Free Skate Program:	
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	Hockey Events:		Adult Events:	
	Hockey Skills Cha	_	Free Skate	Level
	Hockey Elements	Level		
			Showcase Event	Level

ENTRY FEE IS \$45 PER EVENT, \$15 PER EACH ADDITIONAL EVENT Hockey Skills Challenge is \$15/Player

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Гotal:	\$		
The completed en	ry form, with fees, must be p	ostmarked no later than Feb	ruary 1st.
	• • •	a Figure Skating and mail to call: Holly Jacobs at 507-951-	•
ENTRY FEES ARE N	OT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE	ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN	EVENT IS CANCELED.
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