

FRANKENSKATE COMPETE USA COMPETITION

Hosted by Jersey Coast Figure Skating Club

at the

Jersey Shore Arena 1215 Wyckoff Rd, Wall NJ 07727

Saturday, October 28, 2017

We are a participating competition in the NJ Compete USA Series 2017-2018

** NEW! We have added Pre-Juv Free Dance and Preliminary, Juvenile and Intermediate Shadow Dance to our competition! This is a non-qualifying competition.**

WHEN: Saturday, October 28, 2017

LOCATION: Jersey Shore Arena, 1215 Wyckoff Rd, Wall, NJ 07727, (732) 919-7070

ICE SURFACE: 200 x 85

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ELIGIBILITY and TEST REQUREMENTS: 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 four competitors in an event and all will receive an award.

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: All competitors must register on-line at www.entryeeze.com. Please be sure to enter your coach's correct email address as he/she will receive a list of his/her competitors and is required to verify that the skaters are entered in the correct level/event. **DEADLINE for entry** is no later than 11:59pm on **Thursday, October 5, 2017**. **Late entries**, entries received between October 6 and October 8, will be accepted at the discretion of the organizers, and will be charged an additional \$25 late entry fee. NO ENTRIES will be accepted after 11:59pm October 8, 2017. The entry fee for the first event is \$65.00 per skater and \$25 per skater for each additional event. The entry fee for synchronized team events is \$150 per team. The acceptance of your credit card payment will serve as acknowledgement of your entry. Incomplete entries will not be accepted. **NO refunds** will be given unless event is cancelled by the local organizing committee (USFS #3235).

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Jersey Coast FSC, clubs, organizers of this competition, Jersey Shore Arena, its management and employees undertake no responsibility for damage or injuries suffered by the skaters or officials. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents or guardians and officials shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by, or connected with, the conduct and management of this competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they have against its officers and trustees, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

COACHES: You must verify your skater's event and level by 11:59pm on October 8, 2016. **No changes in events or levels will be made after October 8th.**

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES: U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Registration 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: A. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating - either through a member club or as an individual member; B. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee of \$30 and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen; C. Must complete the appropriate CER courses (A, B, C or D) depending on the highest level of students being coached as of July 1. See rule MR 5.12. D. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

For Learn to Skate USA ONLY coaches - Any person, 18 and older, instructing a Learn to Skate USA Program must have successfully passed the annual background screen and be registered as a Learn to Skate USA instructor. 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.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to: http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaching%20Compliance%20Toolkit.pdf

AWARDS: All events will be final rounds. Medals will be awarded to first, second, third, and fourth places. ALL awards will be made at approximately 30 minute intervals throughout the competition.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: Will be posted on the website www.entryeeze.com approximately one week prior to the competition. You will receive an email containing the date and time of your specific events. It is highly recommended that skaters arrive 1 hour prior to their scheduled event.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice will be available during our regularly scheduled freestyle sessions. (Check rink freestyle calendar for exact times. www.jerseyshorearena.com) A 30 minute practice session may be purchased at the rink for \$10.

MUSIC/ REGISTRATION – The registration desk will open one hour prior to the competition. The music for all free skating programs 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 (not skating time). CD's should be CD-W, CD-RW will not play on all equipment. Competition music is to be turned in at the time of registration. Time duration is always +/- 10 seconds. Please have an additional copy of your CD rinkside during the competition. The club will provide music for the pattern dance events.

VIDEO TAPING AND PHOTOGRAPHS: An official competition photographer will be available to take individual and photographs as well as to videotape events. Photographs and video DVD's may be purchased at their table. Flash photography is not permitted during competition events or warm-ups for the safety of the skaters.



EVENT: Basic Elements Event: SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 6

Format choice of the host: Each skater will perform one element at a time in the <u>order listed below</u> (no excessive connecting steps).

- To be skated on 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	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		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: Free Skate 1-6 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
		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
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max	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
Francisco 4	4.45	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
Face Cleans 2	4.45	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
5 CL . 2	4.45	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
5 Cl . 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
F Cl. 1 5	4.45	Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	directions
		Camel spin - minimum three revolutions
		Waltz jump-loop jump combination-
		• Lutz jump
Fran Skata C	1.15 may	Forward power pulls, right and left
Free Skate 6	1:15 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: Free Skate 1-6 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 Tanyand payon straking 4.6 consequitive strakes
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
		Waltz jump
Beginner	1:15 max.	• ½ jump of choice
		 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

General event parameters:

- 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			



Compete USA Competitions

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 Maximum	 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 Maximum Vocal music permitted	 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 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 Maximum Vocal music permitted	 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 	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 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:	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		
•	Backward skating	counterclockwise		
•	Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row	 Forward outside three-turn, right and left 		
	·	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	Backward stroking with crossover end patterns		
	a row, 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	• Lunge		
	counterclockwise	Two-foot spin into one-foot spin		
•	Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left	'		
Adult Pr	e-Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult	Adult Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult bronze		
	ze free skate test or pre-preliminary free skate test.	free skate test or the preliminary free skate test.		
-	40 maximum	Time: 1:50 maximum		
Refer to	the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #4600 for	Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #4590 for		
	requirements.	specific requirements.		



EVENT: SOLO PATTERN DANCE

General event parameters:

- Levels are based upon the skaters' highest pattern dance test passed.
- A solo pattern dance competition event will consist of the skater performing two solo pattern dances.
- The patterns to be skated depend upon which quarter of the year the competition is held. The skater will perform the two pattern dances listed for his/her level, based upon the date of the competition. If the competition falls over two quarters (for example, June 30th July 2nd), the dance will be selected based on the start date of the competition listed in the announcement (in this example, the 2nd quarter).
- Skaters will complete both of the dances at each level. Dances will be scheduled at the discretion of the Chief Referee for each competition and may be competed consecutively or with a break in-between pattern dances groupings.

Level	January 1 st – March 31 st		April 1 st – June 30 th		July 1 st – September 30 th		October 1 st – December 31 st	
Preliminary	1. Du	utch Waltz	1.	Rhythm Blues	1.	Canasta Tango	1. Rl	nythm Blues
	2. Ca	anasta	2.	Dutch Waltz	2.	Rhythm Blues	2. Dutch Waltz	
	Ta	ingo						
Pre-Bronze	1. Sw	ving Dance	1.	Fiesta Tango	1.	Cha-Cha	1.	Swing Dance
	2. Ch	na-Cha	2.	Swing Dance	2.	Fiesta Tango	2.	Cha-Cha

EVENT: COUPLES PATTERN DANCE

- Levels are based upon the skaters' highest pattern dance test passed.
- A couples dance competition event will consist of the couple performing two pattern dances.
- The patterns to be skated depend upon which quarter of the year the competition is held. The skaters will perform the two pattern dances listed for his/her level, based upon the date of the competition. If the competition falls over two quarters (for example, June 30th July 2nd), the dance will be selected based on the start date of the competition listed in the announcement (in this example, the 2nd quarter).
- Skaters will complete both of the dances at each level. Dances will be scheduled at the discretion of the Chief Referee for each competition and may be competed consecutively or with a break in-between pattern dances groupings.

Level	January 1 st – March 31 st		April 1 st – June 30 th		July 1 st – September 30 th		October 1 st – December 31 st	
Preliminary	3.	Dutch Waltz	3.	Rhythm Blues	3.	Canasta Tango	1. R	nythm Blues
	4.	Canasta	4.	Dutch Waltz	4.	Rhythm Blues	2. [outch Waltz
		Tango						
Pre-Bronze	3.	Swing Dance	3.	Fiesta Tango	3.	Cha-Cha	3.	Swing Dance
	4.	Cha-Cha	4.	Swing Dance	4.	Fiesta Tango	4.	Cha-Cha

EVENT: PRE-JUVENILE FREE DANCE (This will be a 6.0 event)

A. Test qualifications as of the closing date for entry to: Both partners must have passed the preliminary moves in the field test or higher and two standard partnered preliminary dances or higher.

	PRE-JUVENILE FREE DANCE					
2:00 +/- 10 seconds						
Must contain the following elements in any order						
DANCE LIFTS	Maximum of one short lift (up to seven seconds)					
	Chosen from straight line lift, curve lift or stationary lift					
	Rotational lifts and combination lifts are not permitted					
DANCE SPINS	Maximum of one dance spin					
	Must have a minimum of three revolutions on one foot by both partners					
	Combination spins are not permitted					
STEP SEQUENCES	Maximum of one choreographic step sequence chosen from circular, midline or diagonal in hold					
	Must utilize the full ice surface					
	 Must be skated in dance holds or variations thereof, except hand-in-hand hold in sustained 					
	position with fully extended arms					
	Serpentine and not touching step sequences are not permitted					
	 Stops, pattern retrogressions and loops are not permitted 					
	Dance spins and pirouettes are stops					
	Jumps of up to one revolution are permitted as long as they are not performed simultaneously					
	• If a lift is performed in a step sequence, it will be identified and called "no value", and the					
	judges will ignore the element					
	• If a dance spin is performed in a step sequence, it will be called and identified "no value", and					
	the judges will consider it a stop (not permitted element)					
TWIZZLES	Maximum of one synchronized twizzle (at least one full rotation, maximum of two rotations)					
	A set of synchronized twizzles is not permitted					
ADDITIONAL	Required elements may be skated anywhere in the program except in the required step sequences					
INFORMATION	A dance spin and a dance lift performed as a combination are not permitted					
	See rule 6095 for additional free dance rules					
	See rule 6098 for a list of illegal elements/movements					
	See the Dance Glossary for descriptions of specific elements					
	See usfigureskating.org for the Scale of Values, calling specifications and judging instructions					

EVENT: SHADOW DANCE

The shadow pattern dance event is comprised of one pattern dance at each level.

A team may be comprised of two females, two males or one female and one male. In any case, the steps skated shall be the lady's steps as specified in the 2017 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

SHADOW DANCE EVENT LEVELS AND TEST REQUIREMENTS:

Level	Requirement	Dance
Preliminary	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-bronze dance test.	Rhythm Blues
Juvenile	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-silver dance test.	• Cha Cha
Intermediate	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete silver dance test.	• Fourteenstep



LEARN TO SKATE USA SYNCHRO SKILLS 1-3

The synchronized competition program is also part of the U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA program. The Compete USA competition program is for Learn to Skate USA level skaters who are interested in a first competition or "team" experience, taking the Synchro 1-4 badges a step further. Synchro Skills teams compete at Learn to Skate USA competitions and non-qualifying synchronized skating competitions around the country.

Required elements – Each level has specific required elements that must be completed:

LEVEL	CIRCLE	LINE	BLOCK	WHEEL	INTERSECTION
SYNCHRO SKILLS 1 8-16 skaters, majority under 9 years old 1 ½ - 2 minutes +/- 10 seconds	One circle, which must contain a two foot turn. Must contain a forward inside and/or forward outside edge glide. Stroking from backward to forward is permitted.	One line, which must cover half ice to full ice and must have	,		One intersection: Two lines facing each other, 2-foot glide at point of intersection.
1 '	One circle, which must include the choreographed step sequence: 2 forward crossovers, FO 3 turn, back pump, BO 1 foot glide (held for at least 2 counts), back pump, 1 backward crossover, FI stroke (1 direction only, don't need to repeat)	One line, which must cover the ice and may include forward and backward skating.	One block, which must cover the ice and must have 1 or 2 configurations.	One wheel of the team's choice with backward pumps.	One intersection: Two lines facing each other, 2-foot or 1-foot glide at point of intersection.
SYNCHRO SKLLS 3 8-16 skaters, majority at least 12 years old 2 - 2 ½ minutes +/- 10 seconds	Circle element, which must include the combination move from Basic 8. (1 direction only, don't need to repeat)	Line element, which must cover the ice and must include forward and backward skating.	One block, which must cover the ice and must have 2 or 3 configurations.	Wheel element of the team's choice with backward pumps, chasses, or crossovers.	lines facing each other, 1-foot glide or forward

The emphasis of the Learn to Skate USA synchronized skating competition is on mastering the Synchro Skills of synchronized skating:

- Control of rotation in wheels and circles.
- Straight lines in lines, blocks and intersections.
- Unison and use of skills such as guiding and shadowing.
- Incorporating skills from the Basic 1-6 levels to strengthen skating skills.
- Learning how to do transitions and skate to music.
- Learning skills that will be the foundation for higher levels.

Restrictions in Synchro Skills 1 & 2:

- Additional elements are not allowed (the team must do only their required elements).
- Teams may only use hand-to-hand, shoulder-to-shoulder and choo-choo holds.
- Wheels and circles may not travel, change rotational direction or change configuration.
- Synchro Skills 1 teams may not do steps higher than Basic 5, with the exception of forward chasses.
- Synchro Skills 2 teams may not do steps higher than Free Skate 1, with the exception of forward chasses.

Restrictions in Synchro Skills 3:

-No traveling within elements (change of configuration and rotational direction are allowed).

Restrictions in all levels: All of the synchronized skating "illegal elements" found in Rule #7160 of the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

Please reference http://usfsa.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized for most up-to-date Learn to Skate USA Synchronized Skating rules.