# The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Florida Open Figure Skating Championships and Compete USA Competition

April 12 - 15, 2018



**Central Florida Figure Skating Club** 

Held at **RDV Sportsplex Ice Den** 8701 Maitland Summit Blvd. Orlando, FL 32810

Offering the following: Singles, Pairs, Test Track, and Compete USA

ENTRY DEADLINE: 11:59pm EST, Saturday, March 3rd, 2018

Visit <a href="http://www.centralfloridafsc.org/">http://www.centralfloridafsc.org/</a> or <a href="http://www.centralfloridafsc.org/">Entryeeze</a>

Sanctioned by: U.S. Figure Skating Skate Canada

# 2018 Florida Open Hosted by Central Florida Figure Skating Club April 12 - 15, 2018

The Florida Open 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 that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website.

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated, or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and is a currently registered member 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.

## **ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

**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.

**Age restrictions/requirements:** Skaters entering juvenile free skate events (Well Balanced Program) must be under 13 years of age at the close of entries.

Skaters entering beginner through pre-juvenile events will be divided as closely as possible by age, should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

### **ENTRY FEES AND REGISTRATION:**

Entries must be completed via EntryEeze at <a href="http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=165">http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=165</a> or by visiting <a href="http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=165">www.centralfloridafsc.org/</a> to access the link by <a href="https://saturday.March-3">Saturday</a>, <a href="https://saturday.March-3">March-3</a>, <a href="https://saturday.March-3">2018</a></a>
<a href="https://saturday.March-3">11:59pm EST</a>. Late entries will be subject to the approval of the Competition Chair and Chief Referee and will be assessed a late entry fee of \$30. No refunds will be granted after the close of entries for any reasons, including medical, except for events eliminated by the CFFSC Competition Committee. CFFSC reserves the right to divide an event, limit the number of entries, hold an event with only one entry, and cancel an event (with refund) with only one entry.

Changes to entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee and will require a \$25 change fee per event. To avoid these fees, please register on time and verify the accuracy of events and levels.

#### **IJS EVENTS**

First IJS Event \$115 Additional IJS Event \$65

IJS Pairs and Partnered Dance Skaters \$65/skater for 1st event, \$35/skater for additional IJS event

#### **6.0 EVENTS**

First 6.0 Event	\$90
Second 6.0 Event	\$55
Third (& any subsequent) 6.0 Event(s)	\$50

## **Compete USA Events\***

First Event	\$60
Each Additional Event	\$30
Learn to Skate USA Membership Fee**	\$20

If a competitor is skating in both Singles and Pairs events, the Singles event is considered the first event.

## **REFUND POLICY:**

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$25 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 by email and online.

**FACILITIES**: The RDV Sportsplex Ice Den has two ice surfaces, the "Olympic Rink" measuring 100'x200' and the "Pro Rink" measuring 85' x 200', each with rounded corners and hockey barriers. The Ice Den has locker rooms, a pro shop, Bear Bites snack bar, vending machines, ample seating & warm areas, and a Nature's Table café.

## **MUSIC:**

ALL competition music must be submitted electronically via the <u>on-line registration system</u> by the music submission deadline of 4/2/18 at 11:59 p.m.

For the Florida Open, online music submission is the ONLY acceptable method to submit program music. After you have paid for your events, the system will prompt you to upload your music for each event that requires music. If your music is not available at that time, you can logout of your account and return later to upload your music by going to the "Competition" tab and then selecting "My Music." Please be sure you are uploading the correct music for the correct event segment. Be careful, for example, not to mix up your short program and your free skate!

Music must be in .mp3 format and no larger than 10MB. If you have questions, or need assistance, contact the Music Coordinator at <a href="tedady@yahoo.com">tedady@yahoo.com</a>.

In addition to submitting the music online, all competitors must also have at least one [1]

<sup>\*</sup>NOTE: This is only for Learn To Skate USA competitors who are not current USFS or Learn To Skate USA Members. CFFSC will register the skater for a Learn To Skate USA Membership with USFS.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The \$20 fee covers the <u>Learn To Skate USA</u> membership and a small processing fee. Fee will not be assessed if skater is already a member of Learn to Skate USA.

clean & tested backup copy of their competition music on CD, AT RINKSIDE, during the actual competition event segment.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Central Florida Figure Skating Club, and RDV Sportsplex Ice Den 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.

#### **JUDGING SYSTEM:**

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events: all Juvenile through Senior short programs and free skates, including Open Juvenile and Pairs, as well as Adult Gold and Masters freestyle.

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 <a href="https://www.usfigureskating.org">www.usfigureskating.org</a>. The deadline to submit the form is 4/1/18.

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for: No Test through Pre-Juvenile Freeskate, Adult Pre Bronze through Silver Freeskate, Compete USA, Beginner, High Beginner, Compulsory events (include Adult), and Showcase.

**REGISTRATION:** Registration will be open one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day, and will be located immediately inside the doors of the Ice Den. Please register promptly upon arrival.

Skaters are required to check the official bulletin board at the rink for the scheduled events. The posting of such notices, changes, or announcements shall be considered sufficient notice to competitors.

## **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:**

The 2018 Florida Open will be following the Locker Rooms and Changing Area policy included in the SafeSport Handbook. Locker rooms will be available in both rinks.

#### PRACTICE ICE:

Practice ice will be available the evening of Thursday, April 12th and throughout the remainder of the competition, and will be reserved via Entryeeze.

- Advanced purchase of practice ice may be made at the time of registration for 1 session per event at \$16 per 20-minute session.
- Additional practice ice may be available for advance purchase after the event schedule is posted at a cost of \$20 per 20-minute session, and will be communicated via email to all entrants.
- Selection of pre-paid practice ice sessions will be made through Entryeeze after the event schedule is posted, and will be communicated to entrants via email.
- Any remaining practice ice space will be available for purchase at the event at a cost of \$22 per 20-minute session.

 Practice ice fees are non-refundable. Please contact Hope Dady at cffschope@gmail.com regarding any practice ice questions.

## PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:

Professional video and photography will be available throughout the competition from <u>Gabriele Photography</u>. There is absolutely **NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY OR EXTERNAL VIDEO LIGHTING ALLOWED.** Photography and videography will be permitted in the bleachers only.

## **AWARDS:**

Medals will be awarded for 1st - 6th place winners in each event and may be collected in the registration area anytime following the posting of results. Trophies will be awarded for IJS events with final Championship Rounds for 1st-4th place, and IJS Free Skate events with a minimum of 5 competitors at close of registration.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bette Todd Award will be given to the skater with the highest component scores in a Juvenile Girls Free Skate program (prior to final rounds), across all groups.

<u>OFFICIAL NOTICES:</u> An official bulletin board will be maintained near the Registration desk. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent, and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive at least 60 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

## **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, be registered as a Learn to Skate USA instructor, and completed the Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification or U.S. Figure Skating Coach Compliance.

The Competition Committee 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 – <u>no exceptions</u>. 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://usfsa.org/story?id=84159

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

If you have questions, please contact:

Competition Chair: Timothy Bush, 626-487-9746, tlbcffsc@gmail.com

Competition Co-Chair: Kristin Gordon, 407-579-7677, kgordon@groovy-scrub.com

Adult Chair: Kerri Bottorff, 407-883-9926, <a href="mailto:kerribeth1@gmail.com">kerribeth1@gmail.com</a>
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Music: Tim Dady, 407-951-2869, <a href="mailto:tedady@yahoo.com">tedady@yahoo.com</a>

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

More information can be found on <u>CFFSC's website</u>, or on the Florida Open <u>Entryeeze</u> site.

#### **Test Session**

We are exploring the possibility of hosting a test session in conjunction with Florida Open. Please stay tuned!

#### Official Hotel Accommodations

## **Sheraton Orlando North**

Room Rates Per Night (Tax NOT INCLUDED):

Queen/Queen or King Standard: \$119 (single/double)/\$129 (triple)/\$139 (quad)

Queen/Queen or King Deluxe: \$129 (single/double)/\$139 (triple)/\$149 (quad)

Additional room options, including suites, are available at a group discount; refer to online reservation site.

Complimentary parking. High speed Internet available. Full service restaurant and café/coffee shop within hotel lobby.

Reservations at this rate past March 12<sup>th</sup> are based on availability only.

## Other hotels offering discounted rates:

Courtyard by Marriott Maitland

Room Rates Per Night (Tax NOT INCLUDED):

King: \$119/night

Double/Double: \$119/night

Please call hotel directly for rate: 407-659-9100 or click here

## Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs

Room Rates Per Night (Tax NOT INCLUDED)

Queen/Queen: \$109/night

Call 800-678-4380 and ask for the Florida Open Group Block

Reservations must be received by March 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Airport information

Both the <u>Orlando International Airport</u> (MCO) and <u>Orlando/Sanford International Airport</u> (SFB) are easy drives to RDV Sportsplex Ice Den, and many carriers offer direct flights to the area.

### Merchandise pre-orders

Coming soon!

## Tentative schedule

This is an anticipated schedule of events, not tentative, final, nor guaranteed as the schedule is contingent upon number of entries. Refunds will not be provided for any reason (including schedule conflicts or medical) after the close of registration on Saturday, March 3 at 11:59pm.

A schedule of events will be shared with all registrants and coaches once the Competition Committee receives it from the Chief Referee, approximately 2 weeks prior to the start of competition. Note the Chief Referee determines the schedule, not the Competition Committee. The practice ice schedule and practice ice selection information will also be available for viewing at that time.

#### **IJS** events:

- Short programs Friday
- Freeskate programs Saturday
- Championship Rounds Sunday (Juvenile and Intermediate Ladies)
- Pairs Short programs Friday or Saturday
- Pairs Freeskate programs Saturday or Sunday

## 6.0 events:

- Jumps, Spins, Compulsory events Friday
- 6.0 Freeskate events most on Saturday, with some Friday late afternoon/evening
- Showcase events Saturday and Sunday

# **Compete USA**

Anticipated that all events will be held Sunday

All IJS events will be completed by 2:00pm on Sunday, and all 6.0 and Compete USA events should be completed by 3:00pm Sunday.



# The 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Florida Open **COMPETE USA COMPETITION**Sunday, April 15th, 2018

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Saturday, March 3th, 2018 at 11:59pm!

#### **ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR COMPETE USA PARTICIPANTS**

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 in an event and all 6 competitors are eligible for an award.

## **Eligibility and Test Requirements:**

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries, <u>March 3, 2018</u>. 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 as of <u>March 3, 2018</u> (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.

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions.

If, for whatever reason, the Competition Committee discovers that a skater has been placed in a category that is below his/her class level, the chairman and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper division, even if this has to be done the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors.

## **Number of Entries**

If only one eligible competitor enters an event, that event is subject to cancellation in which case the entry fee would be refunded.

#### **ENTRIES**:

Please note entry policies and deadlines!

Entry to the competition is made by online registration through <u>Entryeeze</u>. For a link to register, <u>click here</u> or go to <u>www.centralfloridafsc.org</u>. <u>Deadline for entry is</u> <u>Saturday</u>, <u>March 3</u>, <u>2018 at 11:59pm EST</u>. The CFFSC Competition Committee will

limit entries at each level and will close entries early if spaces for particular level(s) are filled. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Entrants are advised to enter early. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee, and will require an additional late entry fee of \$30. Changes to entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee and will require a \$25 change fee per event. To avoid these fees, please register on time and verify the accuracy of events and levels. *No refunds will be granted after March 3 except for events eliminated.* 

#### **Learn To Skate's COMPETE USA Events:**

o First Event: \$60

o Each additional event: \$30

Learn To Skate USA Membership Fee\*: \$20

\*NOTE: This is only for COMPETE USA competitors who are **not current USFS** or **Learn To Skate USA Members**. CFFSC will register the skater for a Learn To Skate USA Membership. The \$20 fee covers the Learn To Skate USA membership allowing the skater to participate in events, and a small admin fee.

Please refer to pages 2-4 of this announcement for additional information!

# **2017 FLORIDA OPEN CHAMIONSHIP EVENTS**

# **Singles Well Balanced Free Skating & Short Programs**

- Event level is based on age and Free Skate test levels as listed below.
- Skaters may compete at their test level or one level higher.
- All programs should be "well balanced programs" (WBP) as described for the 2017-2018 competition season.
- Program times in accordance with 2017-2018 Rulebook.
- No Test through Pre-Juvenile will be judged using 6.0, All other levels will be judged using IJS.

_	TEST, AGE & PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	
LEVEL	(USFS Rulebook Reference)	TIME
No Test	See Rule 4280	1:40 Max
6.0		
Pre-Preliminary	See Rule 4270	1:40 Max
6.0		
Preliminary	See Rule 4260	1:30 +/- 10 sec
6.0		
Pre-Juvenile	See Rule 4250	2:00 +/- 10 sec
6.0		
Juvenile Short	See Rule 4230	2:10 Max
IJS		
Juvenile Free Skate	See Rule 4240	2:20 +/- 10 sec
IJS		
Open Juvenile Free Skate	See Rule 4240	2:20 +/- 10 sec
IJS		
Intermediate Short	See Rule 4230	2:10 Max
IJS		
Intermediate Free Skate	See Rule 4230	2:40 +/- 10 sec
IJS		
Novice Short	See Rule 4220	Ladies 2:30 Max
IJS		Men 2:30 Max
Novice Free Skate	See Rule 4220	Ladies 3:00 +/- 10
IJS		Men 3:30 +/- 10
Junior Short	See Rule 4210	Ladies 2:40 +/- 10
IJS	(Junior Short may use requirements from	Men 2:40 +/- 10
	2017-2018 OR 2018-2019)	
Junior Free Skate	See Rule 4210	Ladies 3:30 +/- 10
IJS		Men 4:00 +/- 10
Senior Short	See Rule 4200	Ladies 2:40 +/-10
IJS	(Junior Short may use requirements from	Men 2:40 +/-10
	2017-2018 OR 2018-2019)	
Senior Free Skate	See Rule 4200	Ladies 4:00 +/-10
IJS		Men 4:30 +/- 10



## **INTRODUCTORY FREE SKATE PROGRAM**

General event parameters:

- 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

<u>Compete USA competitions may include through the Preliminary well balanced free skate program.</u> This chart can be found on the nonqualifying competition announcement page; Free Skate & Short Program – Singles; Singles Well Balanced Program Elements for No Test-Senior.



**EVENT**: 2017-18 Test Track Free Skate – Introductory through Senior levels

- 1. 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.
- 2. Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.
- 3. Level will be determined by the highest Free Skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or "skate up" to one level higher.
- 4. Minimum number of spin revolutions are in () following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.
- 5. 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
Beginner 1:40 maximum	<ul> <li>Max. 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front).</li> <li>Max. 2 jump sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same jump</li> </ul>	Maximum of 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 Basic Skills free skating badge tests
High Beginner 1:40 maximum	<ul> <li>Max. 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop)</li> <li>Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only.</li> <li>Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same type jump.</li> </ul>	Maximum of 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 Basic Skills free skating badge tests
Pre-Preliminary  1:40 maximum	<ul> <li>Maximum of 5 jump elements:         <ul> <li>Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop)</li> <li>Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop only.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same type jump</li> </ul>	Maximum of 2 spins:  • Two spins of a different nature, one position only. 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 pre- preliminary free skate test

Preliminary 1:30 +/- 10 sec.	Maximum of 5 jump elements:  Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels).  Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences  Max. 2 of any same type jump	<ul> <li>Maximum of 2 spins:         <ul> <li>One spin in one position; no change of foot, no flying entry. (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>One spin consisting of a front scratch to back scratch; exit on spinning foot not mandatory. (Min. 3 revolutions per foot)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	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
Pre-Juvenile 2:00 +/- 10 sec.	<ul> <li>Maximum of 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels).</li> <li>Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same type jump</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maximum of 2 spins:         <ul> <li>One spin in one position, no change of foot (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>One combination spin: forward camel spin to forward sit spin; change of foot optional (Min. 6 revolutions). Spins may not fly.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than pre- juvenile free skate test
Juvenile 2:20 +/- 10 sec.	Maximum of 5 jump elements:  Any single jumps, including Axel, are permitted.  Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences  Max. 2 of any same type jump	<ul> <li>Maximum of 2 spins:         <ul> <li>One solo spin in one position, no change of foot (Min. 4 revolutions).</li> <li>One combination spin with one change of foot and at least one change of position, must include two of the basic spin positions. (Min. 4 revolutions per foot)</li> <li>Only solo spin may fly</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-juvenile free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than juvenile free skate test
Intermediate 2:40 +/- 10 sec.	<ul> <li>Maximum of 6 jump elements:</li> <li>Any single jumps.</li> <li>Double jumps permitted: double Salchow and double toe loop.</li> <li>Maximum of 3 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same type jump</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maximum of 2 spins:</li> <li>One must be a flying spin (min 5 revolutions),</li> <li>One must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (minimum 4 revolutions per foot).</li> </ul>	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating juvenile free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than intermediate free skate test

Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Novice Ladies: 3:00 +/- 10 sec. Men: 3:30 +/- 10 sec.	Maximum of 7 jump elements for men and 6 for ladies:  • Any single jumps. • Double jumps permitted: double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop.  • Maximum of 3 jump combinations or sequences • Max. 2 of any same type jump	Maximum of 3 spins, of a different nature:  • One must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (min 5 revs per foot)  • The other spins are the option of the skater (min 6 revolutions per foot)  • All spins may fly	One step sequence or spiral sequence fully utilizing ice surface (see rule 4104 & 4105 for remarks)	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating intermediate free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than novice free skate test
Junior  Ladies: 3:30 +/- 10 sec.  Men: 4:00 +/- 10 sec.	Maximum of 8 jump elements for men and 7 for ladies:	Maximum of 3 spins of a different nature:  One spin in one position (Min. 6 revolutions)  One flying spin (Min. 6 revolutions)  One combination spin consisting of all three basic positions and one change of foot (2 per position, min. 5) revolutions per foot)	One step sequence fully utilizing ice surface (See rule 4105 for remarks)	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating novice free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than junior free skate test
Senior Ladies: 4:00 +/- 10 sec. Men: 4:30 +/- 10 sec.	Maximum of 8 jump elements for men and 7 for ladies:	Maximum of 3 spins of a different nature:  • One spin in one position (Min. 6 revolutions)  • One flying spin (Min. 6 revolutions)  • One combination spin consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (2 per position, min. 5 revolutions per foot)	Men: Two different step sequences, one being of advanced difficulty, both fully utilizing the ice surface. (See rule 4105 for remarks)  Ladies: One step sequence of advanced difficulty, covering the full ice surface and one spiral sequence. (See rule 4104 & 4105 for remarks.)	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating junior free skate test



# **EVENT**: COMPULSORY MOVES

- 1. Beginner Juvenile: Elements skated on ½ ice
- 2. Intermediate Senior: Elements skated on full-ice
- 3. The skater must demonstrate the required elements (performed once only) and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- 4. A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- 5. Music is not allowed.
- 6. Skaters may compete at their test level or one level higher.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		1. Waltz jump
Beginner	1:15 max.	2. ½ jump of choice
		3. Forward two-foot or one-foot spin – minimum three revolutions (free leg position
		optional)
		4. Forward or backward spiral.
		1. Toe loop jump
High Beginner	1:15 max.	2. Salchow jump
0		3. Forward scratch spin – minimum three revolutions
		4. Forward or backward spiral
		1. Loop jump
No-Test	1:15 max.	2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)
		3. Solo spin - sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions
		4. Spiral sequence, must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional
		spirals and balance moves may be included.
		1. Toe Loop jump
Pre-	1:15 max.	2. Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)
Preliminary		3. Sit spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions
		4. Spiral sequence with one forward spiral and one backward spiral (any edge)
		1. Single Lutz
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol><li>Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li></ol>
·		3. Back upright spin - minimum three revolutions
		4. Forward inside spiral
		<ol> <li>Single jump (may include Axel)</li> </ol>
Pre –	1:15 max.	<ol><li>Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li></ol>
Juvenile		<ol><li>Layback spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li></ol>
		4. Step sequence - circular
		1. Single Axel
Juvenile &	1:15 max.	<ol><li>Jump combination: single/single or double/single</li></ol>
Open Juv.		<ol><li>Layback spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li></ol>
		4. Step sequence – circular
		<ol> <li>Double Salchow or double toe loop</li> </ol>
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol><li>Jump combination: single/single or double/single</li></ol>
		3. Flying spin, minimum five revolutions
		4. Step sequence – straight line
		1. Double loop
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol><li>Jump combination: double/single or double/double</li></ol>
		3. Flying spin - minimum five revolutions
		4. Step sequence – straight line
		1. Double flip
Junior	1:30 max.	Jump combination: double/double or triple/double
		3. Combination spin - minimum 10 revolutions
		4. Step sequence – straight line
		1. Double Lutz
Senior	1:30 max.	Jump combination: double/double or triple/double
		3. Combination spin - minimum 10 revolutions
		4. Step sequence – straight line



# **EVENT**: Jumps Challenge

- 1. Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
- 2. Pre-juvenile and lower will be skated ½ ice; Juvenile senior will be skated on full ice
- 3. Jumps with an "\*" must be preceded with connecting steps (intermediate senior)

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	<ol> <li>Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)</li> <li>½ flip or ½ Lutz</li> </ol>
		3. Single Salchow
		<ol> <li>Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)</li> </ol>
High	1:15 max.	2. Single Salchow
Beginner		3. Jump combination – waltz jump-toe loop
		1. Single toe loop
No-Test	1:15 max.	<ol> <li>Single loop</li> <li>Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)</li> </ol>
		Single toe loop
Pre –	1:15 max.	2. Single flip
Preliminary	T. TO THAX.	3. Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)
		1. Single flip
Preliminary	1:15 max.	2. Single Lutz
		Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)     Single Axel
Pre –	1:15 max.	Single Axe     Single or double jump
Juvenile	T.TJ IIIAX.	<ol> <li>Jump combination - single/single (no Axel)</li> </ol>
		1. Single Axel
Juvenile &	1:15 max.	2. Double Salchow
Open Juv.		Jump combination – single/single or double/single (no Axel)     Single Axel
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Single Axel</li> <li>Double loop*</li> </ol>
Internediate	1.30 IIIax.	3. Jump combination – double/single (no Axel)
		1. Double loop
Novice	1:30 max.	2. Double flip*
		3. Jump combination – double/double (may be double Axel)
		Choice of double or triple jump     Results as triple flight.
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Double or triple flip*</li> <li>Jump combination – double/double (may be double Axel)</li> </ol>
Camban	1.00	<ol> <li>Choice of double or triple jump</li> <li>Double or triple Lutz*</li> </ol>
Senior	1:30 max.	Jump combination – double/double or triple/double (may be double)
		Axel)



# **EVENT**: Spins Challenge

- 1. Spins may be skated in any order. Connecting steps are allowed, but will not be taken into consideration in scoring. Spins may not be repeated. Only required elements may be included.
- 2. All events are skated on ½ ice.
- 3. Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Beginner	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Upright two-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
High Beginner	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Upright two-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
No-Test	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Upright two-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Pre – Preliminary	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>Upright back scratch spin (3)</li> <li>Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Preliminary	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Forward scratch to back scratch spin (3)</li> <li>Combination spin with no change of foot (4)</li> <li>Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Pre – Juvenile	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Camel spin (3)</li> <li>Combination spin – camel to sit spin; no change of foot (6)</li> <li>Forward to backward scratch spin (3 per foot)</li> </ol>
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Sit spin (4)</li> <li>Combination spin – with change of foot; optional change of position (4 per foot)</li> <li>Girls – layback spin (4); Boys – camel spin (4)</li> </ol>
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Glits - layback spiri (4), Boys - Carrier spiri (4)</li> <li>Flying camel spin (5)</li> <li>Sit spin to backward sit spin (4 per foot)</li> <li>Combination spin - change of foot &amp; change of position (4 per foot)</li> </ol>
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Choice of camel, sit or layback spin (6)</li> <li>Camel spin to backward camel spin (4 per foot in position)</li> <li>Combination spin - change of foot &amp; two changes of position (2 per position &amp; 5 per foot)</li> </ol>
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Flying sit spin or flying reverse sit spin (6)</li> <li>Solo spin of choice (6) – may not fly</li> <li>Combination spin – with change of foot &amp; utilizing all three positions (2 per position &amp; 5 per foot)</li> </ol>
Senior	1:30 max.	<ol> <li>Flying spin of choice (6)</li> <li>Solo spin of choice (6) – may not fly</li> <li>Combination spin – with change of foot &amp; utilizing all three positions (2 per position &amp; 5 per foot)</li> </ol>

# PAIRS SHORT AND WELL-BALANCED FREESKATE PROGRAMS

- Pairs events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.
- Age and test requirements are to be met as of March 3, 2018.
- All levels will be judged using IJS.

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LEVEL	TEST, AGE AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	TIME	
	(USFS Rulebook Reference)		
Pre-Juvenile Pairs Freeskate	See Rule 5250	2:00 +/- 10 sec.	
Juvenile Pairs Freeskate	See Rule 5240	2:30 +/- 10 sec.	
Intermediate Pairs Short	See Rule 5230	2:30 max	
Intermediate Pairs Freeskate	See Rule 5230	3:00 +/- 10 sec.	
Novice Pairs Short	See Rule 5220	2:50 max	
Novice Pairs Freeskate	See Rule 5220	3:30 +/- 10 sec.	
Junior Pairs Short	See Rule 5210	2:40 +/- 10 sec.	
Junior Pairs Freeskate	See Rule 5210	4:00 +/- 10 sec.	
Senior Pairs Short	See Rule 5200	2:40 +/- 10 sec.	
Senior Pairs Freeskate	See Rule 5200	4:30 +/- 10 sec.	

# **Adult Singles Well Balanced Free Skating Programs**

- Event level is based on age and Free Skate test levels as listed below.
- Skaters may compete at their test level or one level higher.
- All programs should be "well balanced programs" (WBP) as described for the 2017-2018 competition season.
- Program times in accordance with 2017-2018 Rulebook.
- Pre Bronze through Silver programs will be judged using 6.0, Gold and Masters using IJS.

LEVEL	TEST, AGE & PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (USFS Rulebook Reference)	TIME
Adult Pre Bronze Free Skate	See Rule 4600	1:40 Max
6.0		
Adult Bronze Free Skate	See Rule 4590	1:50 Max
6.0		
Adult Silver Free Skate	See Rule 4580	2:10 Max
6.0		
Adult Gold Free Skate	See Rule 4570	2:40 Max
IJS		
Masters Intermediate-Novice	See Rule 4540	3:10 Max
IJS		
Masters Junior-Senior	See Rule 4510	3:40 Max
IJS		

# **Adult Introductory Free Skate Program**

- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice; vocal music is allowed
- Programs will be skated on full ice
- The minimum number of required spin revolutions is 3. Revolutions must be in position.
- Both Beginner and High Beginner program lengths are 1:40 max
- Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA Free Skate 1 Badge Test

LEVEL	JUMPS	SPINS STEP SEQUENCES
Adult Beginner 6.0	<ul> <li>Max 4 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps limited to bunny hop, mazurka, or ballet</li> <li>Max 1 combination or sequence consisting of only the allowed listed jumps</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same jump</li> </ul>	Max. 2 spins  Two forward upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry  Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program
Adult High Beginner 6.0	<ul> <li>Max 4 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps limited to bunny hop, mazurka, ballet, stag, split, waltz, ½ flip</li> <li>Max 1 combination or sequence consisting of only the allowed listed jumps</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same type jump</li> </ul>	Max 2 spins:  Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry  Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program



# **EVENT**: Adult Compulsory Moves

- 1. Pre-Bronze to Silver: Elements skated on ½ ice
- 2. Gold/Masters: Elements skated on full-ice
- 3. Elements may be performed only once
- 4. Music is not allowed
- 5. Minimum number of revolutions is noted in parentheses

Level	Time	Elements
Adult Beginner	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Bunny hop or mazurka</li> <li>Forward beginning one-foot spin from backward crossovers (min 2 revs)</li> <li>Forward moving inside open Mohawk (right and left) – heel to instep</li> <li>Alternating right and left forward outside edges across the width of the ice</li> <li>Alternating right and left forward inside edges across the width of the ice</li> <li>Backward moving outside 3-turn right and left</li> </ul>
Adult High Beginner	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Waltz Jump</li> <li>½ Flip</li> <li>Alternating right and left backward outside edges across the width of the ice</li> <li>Alternating right and left backward inside edges across the width of the ice</li> <li>Backward moving inside 3-turn right and left</li> </ul>
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>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</li> <li>Jump combination or sequence consisting of only ½ revolution jumps (half loop is considered a full revolution jump) – maximum of 2 jumps in a combination and 3 jumps in a sequence</li> <li>Forward upright spin (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>Forward spiral (any edge)</li> </ul>
Adult Bronze	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Single Salchow</li> <li>Waltz jump – toe loop combination jump</li> <li>Backward Upright Spin – entry optional (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>Spiral sequence (Min. 2 spirals)</li> </ul>
Adult Silver	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Single loop</li> <li>Single/single jump combination</li> <li>Sit spin (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>Straight line step sequence</li> </ul>
Adult Gold	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Single Lutz or Axel</li> <li>Single/single or single/double jump combination</li> <li>Camel spin (Min. 4 revolutions)</li> <li>Straight line step sequence</li> </ul>
Masters Intermediate/Novice	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Axel, double Salchow, double toe loop or double loop</li> <li>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</li> <li>Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 6 revolutions)</li> <li>Straight line step sequence</li> </ul>
Masters Junior/Senior	1:30 MAX	<ul> <li>Choice of any double jump</li> <li>Jump combination that may include any double jump</li> <li>Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 8 revolutions)</li> <li>Straight line step sequence</li> </ul>



# **EVENT**: Adult Jumps Challenge

- 1. Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
- 2. Adult silver and lower will be skated ½ ice; adult gold masters junior/senior will be skated on full ice
- 3. Jumps with an "\*" must be preceded with connecting steps (intermediate senior)

Level	Time	Elements
Adult Beginner	1:00	<ol> <li>Bunny Hop</li> <li>Mazurka or ballet jump</li> </ol>
Adult Pre-Bronze	1;00	1. Waltz or toe loop jump 2. ½ flip, ½ Lutz or ½ loop
Adult Bronze	1:00	<ol> <li>Single Salchow</li> <li>Single toe loop</li> <li>Any single jump + single toe loop combination (No Axels allowed)</li> </ol>
Adult Silver	1:15	<ol> <li>Single flip</li> <li>Single loop</li> <li>Single/single combination (Axel is permitted)</li> </ol>
Adult Gold	1:15	<ol> <li>Single Axel</li> <li>Single Lutz</li> <li>Single/single or single/double jump combination (may include any single jump, double toe loop or double Salchow)</li> </ol>
Masters Intermediate/Novice	1:30	<ol> <li>Axel</li> <li>Double Salchow, double toe loop or double loop</li> <li>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</li> </ol>
Masters Junior/Senior	1:30	<ol> <li>Double loop or double flip</li> <li>Double Lutz</li> <li>Jump combination that may include any double jump</li> </ol>



# **EVENT**: Adult Spins Challenge

- 1. Spins may be skated in any order. Connecting steps are allowed, but will not be taken into consideration in scoring. Spins may not be repeated. On required elements may be included.
- 2. All events are skated on ½ ice.
- 3. Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.

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



**EVENT**: Showcase Events – Dramatic Entertainment Events

#### Format:

- Programs should express intense emotional connection and investment in the music, choreography and theme concept through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions. The entire gamut of emotions may be expressed including intense joy and/or introspectiveness.
- Props and scenery ARE permitted.

# General event parameters:

- 1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed, as listed in the table below. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
- 2. The determination of level will be based upon test requirement at the entry deadline.
- 3. Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at <a href="www.usfigureskating.org">www.usfigureskating.org</a>, under "Programs" on the National Showcase page.

#### **Dramatic Entertainment Levels:**

Except for Adult events, skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.

Event	Must meet requirements*  Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	Must not have passed Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher	Age	Time
No Test (does not qualify for National Showcase)	No Free Skate test passed	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Any Free Dance	No age restriction	1:30 max
Pre-Preliminary (does not qualify for National Showcase)	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	Preliminary Free Skate Any Free Dance	No age restriction	1:30 max
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate	Pre Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age (max age 20)	1:40 max
Pre Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age (max age 20)	1:40 max
Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	3 and under	2:10 max
Teen	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	14-17	2:10 max
Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	17 and under	2:10 max
Young Adult	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	18-20	2:10 max
Novice	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance		2:10 max

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Junior	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance		2:40 max
Senior	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance			2:40 max
Event	Must meet requirements*  Must have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered, standard, adult, or masters track)	Must not have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered; standard, adult, or masters track) or higher	Age	Time
Adult Pre- Bronze (does not qualify for National Showcase)	Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate OR Pre-Preiminary Free Skate	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate OR Any Free Dance	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance OR Pre-Bronze Dance Test (prior to 4/30/17)	Adult Silver Free Skate Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Silver	Adult Silver Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate (prior to 10/1/94) Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate (On/after 10/1/94) Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance Bronze Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 4th Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance OR 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1//77)	Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91)  Junior Free Dance Silver Free Dance (Prior to 9/2/2000)  OR  5th Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77)	21 and older	1:40 max
Masters	Intermediate Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Junior Free Dance Silver Free Dance (Prior to 9/2/2000) 3rd Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77) OR 8th Figure Test (10/1/77-9/30/79)		21 and older	1:40 max



# **EVENT**: Showcase Events – Light Entertainment Events

#### Format:

- Showcase program that should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions.
- Props and scenery are permitted.

# General event parameters:

- 1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
- 2. The determination of level will be based upon test requirement at the entry deadline.
- 3. Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at <a href="https://www.usfigureskating.org">www.usfigureskating.org</a>, under "Programs" on the National Showcase page.

# **Light Entertainment Levels:**

Except for Adult events, skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.

Event	Must meet requirements*  Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	Must not have passed Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher	Age	Time
No Test (does not qualify for National Showcase)	No Free Skate test passed	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate OR Any Free Dance	No age restriction	1:30 max
Pre-Preliminary (does not qualify for National Showcase)	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	Preliminary Free Skate OR Any Free Dance	No age restriction	1:30 max
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate	Pre Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age (max age 20)	1:40 max
Pre Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age (max age 20)	1:40 max
Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	3 and under	2:10 max
Teen	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	14-17	2:10 max
Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	17 and under	2:10 max
Young Adult	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	18-20	2:10 max
Novice	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance		2:10 max

Junior	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance		2:40 max
Senior	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance			2:40 max
Event	Must meet requirements*  Must have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered, standard, adult, or masters track)	Must not have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered; standard, adult, or masters track) or higher	Age	Time
Adult Pre- Bronze (does not qualify for National Showcase)	Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate OR Pre-Preiminary Free Skate	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate OR Any Free Dance	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance OR Pre-Bronze Dance Test (prior to 4/30/17)	Adult Silver Free Skate Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Silver	Adult Silver Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate (prior to 10/1/94) Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate (On/after 10/1/94) Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance Bronze Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 4th Figure (prior to 10/1/77)	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance OR 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1//77)	Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91) Junior Free Dance Silver Free Dance (Prior to 9/2/2000) OR 5th Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77)	21 and older	1:40 max
Masters	Intermediate Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Junior Free Dance Silver Free Dance (Prior to 9/2/2000) 3rd Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77) OR 8th Figure Test (10/1/77-9/30/79)		21 and older	1:40 max



# **SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 6 ELEMENTS**

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.	<ul> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> </ul>
Sam		Forward snowplow stop
		Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
		Forward two-foot glide and dip
Basic 1	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> </ul>
		Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
		Forward one-foot glide, either foot
Basic 2	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> </ul>
		Moving snowplow stop
		Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward
		Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row
		<ul> <li>Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> </ul>
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.	<ul> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> </ul>
		Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 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.	<ul> <li>Advanced two-foot spin, maximum 4-6 revolutions</li> </ul>
		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
		<ul> <li>Beginning one-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry</li> </ul>
		T-stop, right or left



# **SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 6 PROGRAM WITH MUSIC**

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. Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements.

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.	<ul> <li>Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> </ul>
		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.	<ul> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 2-4 revolutions</li> </ul>
		Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, one direction only
		Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
	1:10 max.	<ul> <li>Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> </ul>
Basic 5		<ul> <li>Advanced two-foot spin, maximum 4-6 revolutions</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> </ul>
		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



## PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 6 PROGRAM WITH MUSIC

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. Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements.
- 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	<ul> <li>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</li> <li>One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions</li> <li>Mazurka</li> <li>Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes</li> <li>Upright spin, entry from backward crossovers - minimum 4-6 revolutions</li> <li>Toe loop jump</li> <li>Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	<ul> <li>Alternating forward outside and inside spirals on a continuous axis (2 sets)</li> <li>Beginning back spin, up to two revolutions</li> <li>Half Lutz</li> <li>Salchow jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, min 3 revs</li> <li>Loop jump</li> <li>Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	<ul> <li>Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>Sit spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>Half Loop jump</li> <li>Flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	<ul> <li>Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both directions</li> <li>Camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>Waltz-loop jump combination</li> <li>Lutz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	<ul> <li>Split jump or stag jump</li> <li>Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total</li> <li>Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence</li> <li>Beginning Axel jump</li> </ul>



## PRE-FREE SKATE – FREE SKATE 6 COMPULSORY

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. Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time: 1:15 maximum

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
		Waltz jump
		<ul> <li>Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes</li> </ul>
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
		<ul> <li>Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, min 3 revs</li> </ul>
		Loop jump
		Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination
		<ul> <li>Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	Sit spin - minimum three revolutions
		Half loop jump
		Flip jump
		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
		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
		Beginning Axel jump



# **ADULT 1-6 PROGRAM WITH MUSIC**

- 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.
- 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 (lower) levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each required element MISSING and for those elements performed from a higher level.

Level	Time	Elements		
A al. alt 1	1:40 MAX	Forward Marching     Forward two foot glide		
Adult 1	1:40 IVIAX	Forward two-foot glide     Forward switzle (4 ( in a rout))		
		Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row)  Forward spayrlaw stop, two fact or one fact.		
		Forward shotting a green the width of the ide		
Adult 2	1:40 MAX	<ul> <li>Forward skating across the width of the ice</li> <li>Forward one-foot glides</li> </ul>		
Addit 2	1.40 IVIAA	Forward slalom		
		Backward skating		
		Backward skaling     Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row		
		Forward stroking using the blade properly		
Adult 3	1:40 MAX	<ul> <li>Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row,</li> </ul>		
/ tddit 5	1.101717	clockwise and counterclockwise		
		Backward skating to a long two-foot glide		
		Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise		
		Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left		
		Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left		
Adult 4	1:40 MAX	<ul> <li>Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> </ul>		
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left		
		Hockey stop, both directions		
		Backward outside edge on a circle, right and left		
Adult 5	1:40 MAX	Backward inside edge on a circle, right and left		
		Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise		
		Forward outside three-turn, right and left		
		Beginning two-foot spin		
		Forward stroking with crossover end patterns		
Adult 6	1:40 MAX	Backward stroking with crossover end patterns		
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left		
		• T-stop		
		• Lunge		
		Two-foot spin into one-foot spin (min 2 revs on 1 foot)		



# **ADULT 1-6 COMPULSORY**

- The skating order of the elements is optional.
- Element may only be attempted once
  To be skated in program format with limited connecting steps
- To be skated on ½ ice
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element MISSING, REPEATED or from a higher level

Level	Time	Elements			
		Forward Marching			
Adult 1 1:30 • Forward two-foot glide					
	MAX				
		Forward snowplow stop – two feet or one foot			
		Forward skating across the width of the ice			
Adult 2	1:30	Forward one-foot glides			
MAX • Forward slalom					
	Backward skating				
		Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row			
	Forward stroking using the blade properly				
Adult 3	1:30	Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, clockwise and counterclockwise			
	MAX	Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise			
		Backward skating to a long two-foot glide			
		Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left			
		Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left			
Adult 4 1:30 • Forward inside edge on a circle, right and le					
	MAX • Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise				
		Hockey stop, both directions			
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left			
	4.00	Backward outside edge on a circle, right and left			
		Backward include dage on a direct ingrit and text			
	MAX	Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise			
		Forward outside three-turn, right and left			
		Beginning two-foot spin (min 2 revs)			
A -1-11-6	1.00	Forward stroking with crossover end patterns			
Adult 6	1:30	Backward stroking with crossover end patterns			
	MAX	Forward inside three-turn, right and left  Taken			
		• T-stop			
		• Lunge  Two foot spin into one foot spin (min 2 roys on 1 foot)			
	_1	Two-foot spin into one-foot spin (min 2 revs on 1 foot)			



# **EVENT**: Compete USA Showcase Events

Format: Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event. 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. 6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

#### 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.

#### General event parameters:

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. 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.

\* For specific guidelines regarding the conduct of Showcase competitions, refer to the Nonqualifying Showcase Guidelines posted on USFS' website.

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.