Eau Claire Figure Skating 7th Annual Compete USA Competition



U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills – Preliminary Competition Saturday, November 18, 2017 Hobbs Ice Arena, Eau Claire, WI Sponsored by Eau Claire Figure Skating Club Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating Referee: Mary Summers

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The Seventh Annual Eau Claire Compete USA Competition sponsored by The Eau Claire Figure Skating Club will be held at Hobbs Ice Arena on November 18, 2017.

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR 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/or 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 the host Learn to Skate USA program/club or any other Learn to Skate USA program/club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All SNOWPLOW SAM AND LEARN TO SKATE USA SKATERS THROUGH BASIC 6 must skate at highest level passed or one higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including Moves in the Field or individual dances.

For the 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.

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the Local Organizing 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.

ENTRIES AND FEES -All entries must be completed through EntryEeze or postmarked no later than October 21, 2017. Late entries will be accepted only if the limit has not been reached, at the discretion of the organizers. A late entry fee of \$25 will be applied to any late entries. Entry fees are per person, U.S. dollars. The first event is \$45 and each additional event is \$25. NO refunds after closing date unless event is canceled by Eau Claire Figure Skating Club. ENTRY FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY and returned with fee, check made payable to The Eau Claire Figure Skating Club. There will be a fee for returned checks.

AWARDS – Everyone will receive an award. All events will be final rounds. All competitors will receive medals. ALL awards will be made at appropriate times throughout the competition.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Will be posted no later than November 13, 2017.

PRACTICE ICE - Practice ice will be available through EntryEeze or at the rink on the day of the competition. Pre-purchased practice ice is available for the cost of \$8.00 per session. A maximum of 22 will be allowed on the ice during any one session. Additional practice ice many be purchased at the rink for the cost of \$10.00 per session. **No refunds issued for unused practice ice sessions.**

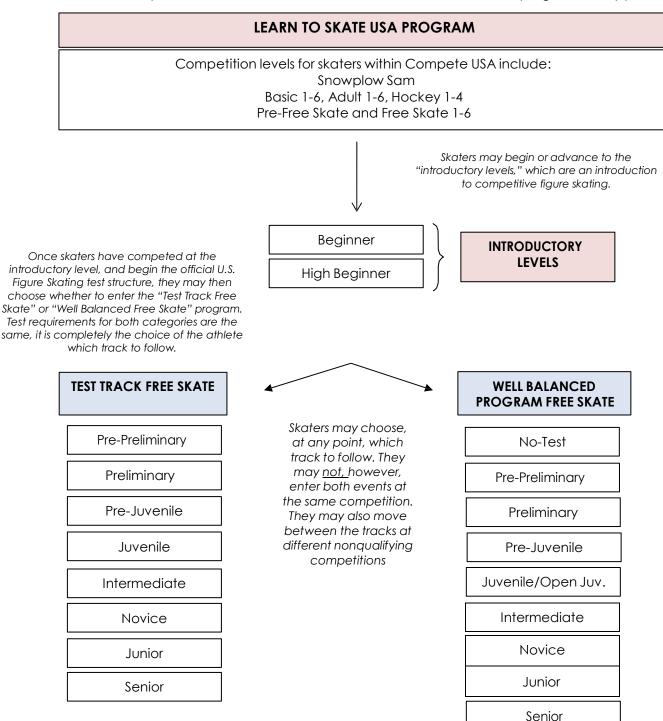
MUSIC - The music for all free skating programs and showcase must be provided on CD's by the skater. CD's should be clearly marked with the name of the skater, event entered and length of music (not skating time). Competition music is to be turned in at the time of registration. Time duration is always +/-10 seconds.

PHOTOGRAPHS -. Photographs may be taken of all individual children . We will have a backdrop for award pictures. Depending on availability we may have a professional photographer available.



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

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





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EVENT: Basic Elements Event: SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 6

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

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

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

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EVENT: Basic Program Event: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 6

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

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

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



EVENT: 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 |



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EVENT: COMPULSORY MOVES

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

| Level | Time | Skating rules/standards |
|-----------------|-----------|--|
| No-Test | 1:15 max. | Loop jump 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. |
| Pre-Preliminary | 1:15 max. | Toe Loop jump 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) |
| Preliminary | 1:15 max. | Lutz jump Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel) Back upright spin - minimum three revolutions Forward inside spiral |



EVENT: WELL BALANCED PROGRAM FREE SKATE

- Skaters may <u>not</u> enter both a Well Balanced Free Skate event and a Test Track Free Skate event at the same nonqualifying competition.
- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice.
- Level will be determined by the highest free skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.

| Level | Time | Jumps | Spins | Step Sequences |
|---------------------|--|---|--|--|
| No Test | 1:40 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 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 |

| Vocal music 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 | • Spins may | 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 |
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EVENT: Test Track Free Skate

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

| Level | Jumps | Spins | Step Sequences | Qualifications |
|------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Pre-Preliminary 1:40 max. | Maximum of 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop only Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Maximum 2 of any same type jump | Maximum of 2 spins: Two spins of a different nature, one position only. No change of foot, no flying entry (Minimum 3 revolutions) | Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. | Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre- preliminary free skate test. |
| Preliminary 1:40 max | Maximum of 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels) Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Maximum 2 of any same type jump | Maximum of 2 spins: One spin in one position; no change of foot, no flying entry. (Minimum 3 revolutions) One spin consisting of a front scratch to back scratch; exit on spinning foot not mandatory. (Min. 3 revolutions per foot) | Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. | Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test, but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test. |





SHOWCASE EVENTS:

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

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

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical qualities. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to support the selected theatrical elements. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will reduce contestant's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of props and ice.

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

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

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.

| 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. |
| Beginner/High Beginner/ | 3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop. | May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests. | Time: 1:30 max. |
| No Test/ Pre-Preliminary | 3 jump maximum. No Axels or double jumps permitted. | Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary or Adult pre-Bronze free skate test. | Time: 1:30 max. |
| Preliminary | 3 jump maximum. Axels are permitted, but no double jumps allowed. | Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze test. | Time: 1:40 max. |



EVENT: Spins Challenge

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

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

EVENT: Jumps Challenge

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

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

| Name | Age Sex | |
|---|--|----------------------|
| Address | City | _ |
| State Zip | Email Address | |
| Area Code/ Phone # | Birth Date | |
| US Figure Skating Number | Highest Level Passed | |
| Program/Club Affiliation | | |
| Director's/Instructor's Name Coach's Name | | |
| Please check the event(s) you are entering: | | |
| Basic Elements/ Compulsories: | Basic Program Event: | |
| Snowplow SamBasic 5Basic 1Basic 6Basic 2Basic 3Basic 4Basic 4 | Snowplow Sam Basic 1 Basic 2 Basic 3 Basic 4 | Basic 5 Basic 6 |
| Introductory Level Compulsory and Compulsory Moves: Beginner Pre- Preliminary High Beginner Preliminary No Test Preliminary | Test Track Free Skate: Beginner Pre-P High Beginner Prelin | reliminary ninary |
| <u>Well- Balanced Program Free Skate</u> No- Test Pre-Preliminary Preliminary | Spins Challenge Beginner No-Test High Beginner Pre-Prel Preliminary Prel | iminary |
| Jumps Challenge Beginner No Test High Beginner Pre- Preliminary Preliminary | Showcase Basic 1-6Beginner, High Beginn No Test, Pre-Preliminary Preliminary | er |

Eau Claire Figure Skating Compete USA Entry Form

ENTRY FEE IS \$45 for the first event, \$25 each additional event.

First Event \$ 45Additional EventAdditional EventAdditional EventAdditional EventLate Fee \$25(if after Oct. 21)Total

The completed entry form, with fees, must be postmarked no later than October 21, 2017.

Make check or money order payable to Eau Claire Figure Skating Club and mail to Angie Southworth 3644 26th Street Elk Mound, WI 54739. For additional information call: Jen Birkholz 715-838-0301 Jbirkholz@ecasd.us or Angie Southworth at Southwak@hotmail.com.

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELED.

Certification of Competitor: The Competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family holds the (Eau Claire Figure Skating Club and Hobbs Ice Arena) harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

| Parent/Guardian Signature | Date |
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| Competitor Signature | Date |
| Instructor/Coach Signature | Date |
| Coach or Instructor's Email | |
| Coach or Instructor's Phone Number | |
| Program Director/Club Officer | Date |