

Eugene Figure Skating Club Presents

2nd Annual Love to Skate Learn To Skate U.S.A. Competition



March 9, 2019

To be held at:

The Rink Exchange

796 West 13th Avenue | Eugene, OR 97402 541-225-5123

www.eugenefsc.org

ENTRY DEADLINE EXTENDED TO: Midnight on February 11, 2019

Registrations will be available at Entryeeze or by using the following link



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Deadline: FEBRUARY 11, 2019 via Entryeeze or Postmark

The 2019 Love to Skate Competition will be conducted by Compete USA in accordance with the rules and regulations of Compete USA, as set forth in the current Compete USA manual.

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 Compete USA manual for clarifying wording.

Persons who are registered in a USFS and Learn To Skate U.S.A. Program are eligible to skate in events authorized by the program.

A wide variety of events will be offered this year to encourage fun and participation. Good luck to all competitors!

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

Test requirements: Competition level is the highest test passed as of February 11, 2019 in the discipline the skater is entering. Skaters may compete at one level higher [but not lower] than the event for which he/she qualifies by test but may not enter more than one level in any one event except for solo dance.

Age restrictions/requirements: Eligibility for entries is governed by age at the close of entries, which is **FEBRUARY 11, 2019**. Adult event competitors must be at least 21 or <u>over</u>. All skaters should be prepared to show proof of age.

Skaters entering beginner to preliminary events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

ENTRIES: For all USFS and Learn To Skate U.S.A. through Preliminary levels, entries can be accepted online via Entryeeze or by mailing the included paper entry. Paper entries, once received, will be manually entered into the Entryeeze website. **Deadline for entries is midnight, FEBRUARY 11, 2019**.

IF YOU NEED HELP WITH ENTERING THE 2019 Love to Skate THROUGH THE ENTRYEEZE WEB SITE

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FEES: All 6.0 system events, including Learn To Skate U.S.A. with the exception of Snowplow Sam:

\$50 first event, \$30 each additional

Snowplow Sam events: \$35

Ensemble, Synchro Mini-Production and Production Ensemble Number Groups (three or more Skaters) \$50.00 Per Group, Plus \$20.00 per Skater.

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will not be refunded after February 11, 2019 unless no competition exists, or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. To withdraw, please notify the competition chair as soon as possible. Any refunds, minus the online processing fee, will be credited to the original payee's account or, if paid by check, will be mailed within 30 days after the completion of the competition. The online processing fees are not refundable for any reason. Checks returned for insufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be



issued a \$35 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 at Entryeeze. The competition schedule will also be posted at The Rink Exchange Ice Arena approximately two weeks before the competition. Please be sure to double check the schedule for updates and changes.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held at: The Rink Exchange

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www.therinkexchange.com

The Rink Exchange Ice Arena is located in Eugene, Oregon. Temperature inside the rink area is cold. Heavy jackets or clothing are required to keep warm. Spectators can get chilly from cold air movement, so sweaters/jackets are recommended.

Rink dimensions are approximately 85' x 185', with four rounded corners. There is one women's restroom and one men's restroom in the rink. <u>RESTROOMS ARE NOT TO BE USED AS CHANGING ROOMS.</u>

USFS SAFE SPORT LOCKER ROOM POLICY.

USFS policy adopted by the Safe Sport Subcommittee of the Competitions Committee prohibits parents and coaches from being present in locker rooms used as changing rooms by the athletes. This is a "sex neutral" policy that is intended to insure the safety of the skaters and to ensure that skaters who select a coach of the opposite gender do not suffer a perceived disadvantage at the competition. An area will be provided in which parents can assist younger skaters with costumes and equipment. That area will be open to public view. The LOC recommends that younger skaters dress before coming to the rink.

MUSIC: Only CDs will be accepted. Please only provide music on CD-R in .wav file format, as music provided on CD/RWs and .mp3 files do not always play on all equipment. There should be no more than a 10 second leader and music for only one program. CDs must be CLEARLY marked with competitor's name, event and music length. Please submit CDs at the registration desk upon arrival AT LEAST ONE HOUR PRIOR TO SCHEDULED EVENT. A backup copy should be immediately available rink side. Eugene Figure Skating Club is not responsible for damage, breakage, or loss of CDs; however, every precaution will be made to ensure their safety. Any CDs not picked up by the end of the competition are not the responsibility of Eugene Figure Skating Club and may be discarded.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Eugene Figure Skating Club and The Rink Exchange Ice Arena 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 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for:

- Introductory free skate events (No-Test, Beginner, High Beginner)
- All Test Track events
- All specialty singles events (spins, jumps, compulsory moves, all showcase, duets, ensemble, production, etc.)
- All solo dance events
- All Basic events
- Showcase & Interp.

REGISTRATION: Registration will begin one to two hours before the competition and end approximately an hour prior to the last scheduled event. Registration tables will be located in the lobby. Please register promptly upon arrival. Competitors who arrive after their warm-up group begins will be allowed to skate only at the discretion of the referee. If they do not skate, they will forfeit all fees for that event.



PRACTICE ICE: Times as shown hereon for practice ice are tentative. Practice ice is currently planned to be offered on the day of competition. The Saturday morning session is planned to be offered from 7 am to 8 am. The Saturday afternoon session is planned to be offered from 12 pm to 1 pm. Updates will be available for viewing on the Entryeeze website when the schedule is posted. The competitors and coaches should check the official bulletin board for updates and announcements at the rink.

Skaters need to check with Practice Ice Monitor (PIM) 5-10 minutes prior to commencement of each session. Proper, modest attire should be worn please. Also, please use polite language, attitude and behavior befitting representatives of the US Figure Skating organization.

Each practice ice session is 30 minutes long and costs \$15.00. Sessions will be limited to 20 skaters. Sessions will have level designations to prevent unsafe level combinations. Coaches will only be allowed to be on the ice with their Learn To Skate Snow Plow Level students and can bring CD players on those sessions. **Skaters must sign up and pre-pay for sessions on the Entryeeze website at the time of entry**.

Practice ice is limited to one session per event entered. Additional practice ice may be available if sessions are not filled and/or there are cancellations. Should sessions be filled, names and contact information will be put on a waiting list on a first come, first served basis. Should additional practice ice be available after the deadline, more practiced sessions can be purchased on the Entryeeze website. If there are still available spots the day of competition, practice ice will be available for purchase on a first come, first served basis. Payment will be made to the ice monitor prior to the skater taking the ice. Cash or checks only will be accepted. Checks should be made out to "EFSC". No receipts will be given. All returned checks will be charged an NSF fee of \$35.

PARENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO COACH SKATERS ON PRACTICE ICE SESSIONS.

Any parent seen doing so will be asked to exit and return to the rink lobby area.

EVENT TIMES, NUMBER AND ORDER: The start times for events, number of events, order of events is dependent on the number of entries. The referee reserves the right to set start times and event orders, to combine events of a similar character, to combine mens and ladies events and to change the skating order for events. Please check the schedules posted on line and the schedule posted at the arena the day of the event. Skaters must be in the arena and ready to skate at least 45 minutes prior to the posted start time for an event in which they are to participate. Skaters must also have an alternate copy of any recorded music to be used at rinkside at the time of their event on a CD or DVD in a playable format (see above section on Music for details).

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY: A professional videographer and photographer will be at the competition. Any other professional videotaping and photography is prohibited. Only hand-held videotaping devices will be allowed, without tripod, and is only permissible outside of the skating surface. **VIDEO TAPING OR PHOTOGRAPHING ANY SKATER OTHER THAN YOUR OWN IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.** For safety reasons, flash photography is prohibited

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded for 1st through 4th places; and ribbons will be awarded for 5th and 6th places. Award photos will be taken upon posting of scores. In an effort to promote good sportsmanship, we ask that all award winners pose for the group picture even if you do not plan to purchase a photo.

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



OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained by the competition 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 one hour prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition, as well as be posted on the Entryeeze website.

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES: U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Compliance:

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 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 U.S.A. ONLY coaches – Any person 18 and older instructing in a Learn To Skate U.S.A. Program must have successfully passed the annual background screen, be registered as a Learn To Skate U.S.A. instructor member and completed the Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification or U.S. Figure Skating Coach Compliance.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. The Coaches Registration desk will be open on March 9, 2019 at The Rink Exchange Ice Arena.

If a coach cannot provide a photo ID and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – **no exceptions**. We Strongly Urge All Coaches To Have Their Cards With Them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without proper registration is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to: http://usfsa.org/story?id=84159

CONTACT INFO:

If you have questions, please contact EFSC Competition Chairs:

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HOTEL AND ACCOMMODATIONS:

HOST HOTEL:



(Click on logo for link to hotel booking website)

Comfort Suites

969 Kruse Way Springfield, OR 97477 tel: Hotel: 541-746-5359

Reservations: 877-424-6423

Book under "Love to Skate - Eugene Figure Skating Club" by February 15th to ensure the \$99.00 per night rate plus lodging tax for Double Queen rooms using the above link.

A block of rooms has been reserved for our event. Be sure to make your reservation early as the rate is valid only until February 15th or until the block is sold out, whichever comes first.

AVERAGE NIGHTLY RATE



MAX OCCUPANCY 6

2 QUEEN BEDS

SUITE, NO SMOKING

1 Room Suite, No Pets Allowed, 2-Person Sofabed, Coffee Maker, 32 inch LCD/Plasma TV, Hair Dryer, Iron and Ironing Board, Partial Room Divider, Sitting Area, Pay-For-View Movies, Air Conditioning, Recharge Device, Microwave, Refrigerator \$99

BOOK ROOM







Events To Be Skated

EVENTS WITHOUT MUSIC

Snowplow Sam - Basic 6 Basic Elements
Pre-Free Skate - Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory
Excel Compulsory
Well Balanced Levels Compulsory
Adult 1-6, Beginner-Bronze Compulsory
Hockey Events – Hockey 1-4 Elements and Skills Challenge
Spins Challenge Event
Jumps Challenge Event
Team Compulsory

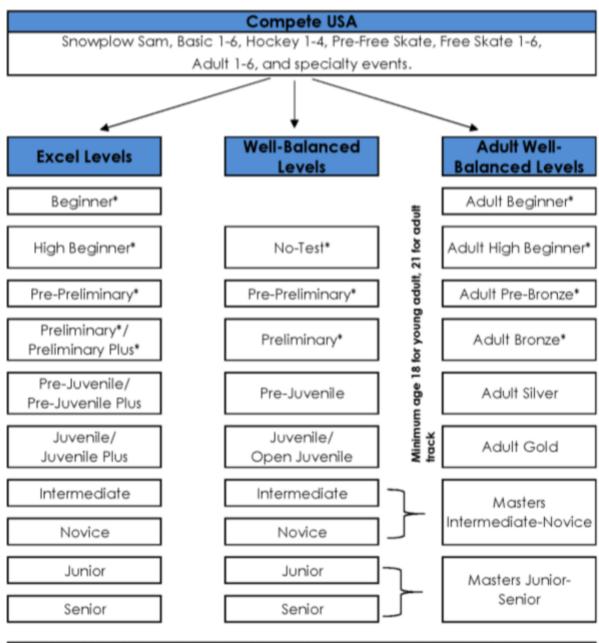
EVENTS WITH MUSIC

Snowplow Sam - Basic 6 Basic Program with Music
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program with Music
Excel Free Skate
Well Balanced Free Skate
Adult 1-6 Free Skate with Music
Adult Beginner-Bronze Free Skate Program with Music
Showcase Events (Includes Team & Duet Events)
Interpretive Program Event
Solo Pattern Dance
Synchronized Skating – Snow Plow Sam Synchro, Synchro Skills 1-3, Preliminary
Theatre on Ice Events

Note: The referee reserves the right to combine Male and Female Skaters into the same event.



See current rulebook or click here for current rules and requirements.



*Indicates an introductory level that may be held at Compete USA competitions. Beginner and High Beginner require a current Learn to Skafe USA and/or U.S. Figure Skafing full membership; all other levels require a current full U.S. Figure Skafing membership.



SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 6 ELEMENTS

Two format options for the Elements Event:

- 1. Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge/referee OR
- Skater will perform one element at a time in the <u>order listed below</u> (no excessive connecting steps or choreography)

Judge/referee directed example: 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 (determined by the LOC)
- No music
- · Divide Snowplow Sam skaters by level (1-4), if registrations warrant
- 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 (no variations), 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 counterclockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		Forward slalom
		 Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle
		Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot
		Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
Basic 4	1:00 max.	 Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise
		 Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		 Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left
		Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions
		 Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
		 Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise
Basic 5	1:00 max.	 Forward outside three-turn, right and left
		 Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions
		Hockeystop
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left
Basic 6	1:00 max.	Bunny Hop
		 Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left
		 Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg held position and
		entry
		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 with music.
- 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.
- Divide Snowplow Sam skaters by level (1-4), if registrations warrant

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 (no variations), 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 counterclockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		Forward slalom
		 Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle
		 Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot
		 Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
Basic 4	1:10 max.	 Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise
		 Backward ¼ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		 Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left
		 Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions
		 Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise
		 Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise
Basic 5	1:10 max.	 Forward outside three-turn, right and left
		 Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions
		Hockey stop
		 Forward inside three-turn, right and left
Basic 6	1:10 max.	Bunny Hop
		 Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left
		 Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional entry and free leg position
		T-stop, right or left



PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 1-6 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
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- 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				
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max.	 Forward inside open Mohawk from a standstill position (R to L and L to R) Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise Basic one-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position - 				
		minimum 3 revolutions				
		Mazurka				
		Waltz jump				
		 Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes 				
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	 Backward outside three-turns, right and left 				
		 One-foot upright spin, entry from backward crossovers, with free foot in crossed leg position (scratch spin) - minimum 4 revolutions 				
		Toe loop				
		Half flip jump				
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	 Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on a continuous axis 				
		Backward inside three-turns, right and left				
		Beginning back spin- maximum 2 revolutions				
		Half Lutz				
		Salchow jump				
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	 Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right 				
Free Skate 5	1.15 max.	 Waltz three-turns, 2 sets clockwise and 2 sets counterclockwise Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position- minimum 3 revolutions 				
		Loop jump				
		 Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination 				
		 Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left 				
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions				
		Half loop jump (Euler)				
		Flip jump				
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Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	directions				
		Camel spin - minimum 3 revolutions Maltainean language samples time.				
		Waltz jump-loop jump combination Lutz jump				
		Forward power pulls, minimum 3 on each foot				
Free Skate 6						
		Waltz jump, half loop (Euler), Salchow jump combination				
		Beginning Axel jump				



PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 1-6 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
		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,
Pre-Free Skate	1:40 max.	clockwise and counterclockwise
		Basic one-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position- minimum 3
		revolutions
		Mazurka
		Waltz jump
		NOT ALLOWED -Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump
		 Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes
Free Skate 1	1:40 max.	One-foot upright spin, entry from backward crossovers, with free foot in
		crossed leg position (scratch spin) - minimum 4 revolutions
		Toe loop jump
		Half flip jump
		NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump/toe loop combination
		Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	(right and left) on a continuous axis
		Beginning back spin- maximum 2 revolutions
		Half Lutz
		Salchow jump
		NOT ALLOWED – Salchow/toe loop combination
		Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right
Free Skate 3	1:40 max.	 Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, minimum 3
		revolutions
		Loop jump
		Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination
		NOT ALLOWED – Waltz/loop combination
		 Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	Sit spin – minimum 3 revolutions
		Half Loop jump (Euler)
		Flip jump
		NOT ALLOWED – Waltz/half-loop/Salchow sequence
		Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both
Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	directions
		Camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions
		Waltz-loop jump combination
		Lutz jump
		Creative step sequence using a variety of three turns, Mohawks and toe steps
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of 4 revolutions total
		Waltz jump/ half-loop (Euler)/Salchow jump combination
		Beginning Axel jump



EXCEL 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
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time: 1:15 maximum
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		Toe loop jump
Excel Beginner	1:15 max.	Salchow jump
		One-foot upright spin - minimum 3 revolutions
		Choreographic step sequence
		Loop jump
Excel High	1:15 max.	Salchow/toe loop combination
Beginner		Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions
		Choreographic step sequence
		Flip jump
Excel Pre-	1:15 max.	Loop/loop jump combination
Preliminary		 Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot
		Choreographic step sequence
		Lutz jump
Excel Preliminary	1:15 max.	Flip/loop jump combination
		Camel, sit combination spin – minimum 6 revolutions total
		Choreographic step sequence

WELL BALANCED LEVELS 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
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time: 1:15 maximum
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program.

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) Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot Choreographic step sequence
Pre-Preliminary	1:15 max.	 Lutz jump Jump combination: single/single (no Axel) Spin with one change of position and no change of foot – minimum 6 revolutions total Choreographic step sequence
Preliminary	1:15 max.	 Axel jump Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel) Spin with one change of foot and one change of position – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot Choreographic step sequence



EXCEL FREE SKATE

- Skaters may <u>not</u> enter both a Well-Balanced Free Skate event and an Excel Free Skate event at the same 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 one level higher.

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Free Skate 1:40 Max. Must not have passed higher than Learn to Skate USA Free Skate 2	Maximum 4 jump elements: Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front) Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop only Eulers (half loops) are not allowed. Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Maximum 2 of any same jump	Maximum 2 spins: Two upright spins No change of foot No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions	Maximum 1 Sequence: Choreographic Step Sequence* (ChSt) Must use one-half of the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence
Excel High Beginner	Maximum 5 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
Free Skate	Jumps with no more than one-half rotation	Both spins must be in	Choreographic Step
1:40 Max. Must not have passed higher than Learn to Skate USA Free Skate 4	 (front to back or back to front) Single rotation jumps: toe loop, Salchow, Euler (half-loop), loop Flip, Lutz, & Axel NOT permitted Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences Maximum 2 of any same jump 	 a single position No flying entry Permitted forward spins: upright, sit, camel Permitted back spins: upright Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character 	Sequence* (ChSt) Must use one-half of the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence
Excel Pre-Preliminary	Maximum 5 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
1:40 Max. Must not have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating Prepreliminary free skate test *means required element Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required	 All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel No single Axels, double, or higher jumps allowed Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump 	 One spin must be in a single position* One spin may change feet and/or position No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character 	Choreographic Step Sequence* (ChSt) Must use one-half of the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence
Excel Preliminary	Maximum 5 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
1:30 +/- 10 sec.	All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel No single Axels, double, or higher jumps allowed	 One spin must be in a single position* One spin may change 	Choreographic Step Sequence* (ChSt) Must use one-half of the
Must not have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test	Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded	feet and/or position No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions	ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be
*means required element	Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump	Spins must be of a different character	counted as elementsJumps may be included in
Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required	 sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump 	unierent character	the step sequence



Excel Preliminary Plus

1:30 +/- 10 sec.

Must not have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test

*means required element

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Maximum 5 jump elements:

- All single jumps allowed, including single Axel
- No double, or higher jumps allowed
- Single Axel may be repeated once (but not more) as a solo jump or part of a jump sequence or jump combination (maximum 2 single Axels)
- Number of remaining single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded
- Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences
- All single jumps, including the single Axel are allowed as part of a jump combination or sequence (no double jumps)
- Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3jump combination is allowed
- Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump

Maximum 2 spins:

- One spin must be in a single position*
- One spin may change feet and/or position
- No flying entry
- Minimum 3 revolutions
- Spins must be of a different character

Maximum 1 Sequence: Choreographic Step

Sequence* (ChSt)

- Must use one-half of the ice surface
 - Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements
- Jumps may be included in the step sequence



WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE PROGRAM

- Skaters may <u>not</u> enter both a Well Balanced Free Skate event and an Excel Free Skate event at the same 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 one level higher.
- **Per ISU rules, the new definition for a jump sequence will be in effect. A jump sequence consists of two jumps; beginning with any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump.

Level	Time	Jumps	Spins Step Sequences		
		Max 5 Jump Elements	Max 2 Spins	Max 1 Sequence	
No-Test	1:40 Max.	All single jumps allowed except for the single Axel No single Axels, double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed Number of single jumps (except single Axels) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is allowed Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump	Spins may change feet and/or position Spins may start with a flying entry Min 3 revs. These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 4103 (E))	Step Sequence Must use one-half the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence	
Pre- Preliminary	1:40 Max.	Max 5 Jump Elements All single jumps, including the single Axel, allowed o No double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed o Axel may be repeated once as a solo jump or part of a jump sequence or jump combination (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 jump sequences o Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is allowed o Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump	Max 2 Spins Spins may change feet and/or position Spins may start with a flying entry Min 3 revs. These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 4103 (E))	Step Sequence Must use one-half the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence	
Preliminary	1:40 Max.	Max 5 Jump Elements I must be an Axel-type jump or a waltz jump* All single jumps, including the single Axel, allowed. Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (limited to double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop) Double flip, double Lutz, double Axel, triple and quadruple jumps 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 a jump sequence or jump combination Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Max 2 jump combinations or sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one three jump combination with a maximum of 2 double jumps and 1 single jump is allowed Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump	Max 2 Spins Spins may change feet and/or position Spins may start with a flying entry Min 3 revs. These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 4103 (E))	Step Sequence Must use one-half the ice surface Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements Jumps may be included in the step sequence	



ADULT 1-6, BEGINNER-BRONZE COMPULSORY

- The skating order of the elements is optional. Element may only be attempted once.
- To be skated in simple program format with limited connecting steps, ¼ 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 swizzle (4-6 in a row)
		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 left
	Max.	Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
		Hockey stop, both directions
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left
		Backward outside edge and backward inside edge on a circle, right and left
Adult 5	1:30	Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
	Max.	Forward outside three-turn, right and left
		Beginning two-foot spin (min 2 revs)
		Forward stroking with crossover end patterns
Adult 6	1:30	Backward stroking with crossover end patterns
	Max.	Forward inside three-turn, right and left
		T-stop
		Lunge
		Two-foot spin into one-foot spin (min 2 revs on 1 foot)
		Bunny hop
Adult	1:30	Mazurka
Beginner	Max.	 Forward beginning one-foot spin from backward crossovers (min 2 revs)
		 Forward moving inside open Mohawk (right and left) – heel to instep
		 Alternating right and left forward outside and inside edges across the width of the ice (one outside edge, right
		and left, one inside edge, right and left)
		Waltz Jump
Adult High	1:30	½ Flip
Beginner	Max.	Forward upright spin – minimum 3 revolutions
		Backward outside three- turn, right and left
		 Alternating right and left backward outside and inside edges across the width of the ice (one outside edge,
		right and left, one inside edge, right and left)
Adult Dec	1.20	Toe loop jump
Adult Pre-	1:30	 Jump combination or sequence consisting of only ½ revolution jumps (half loop is considered a full revolution
Bronze	Max.	jump) — maximum of 2 jumps in combination and 3 jumps in a sequence
		Forward upright spin - minimum 3 revolutions True forward recovery into a forward incide Mehands step down step hebind step into one healthward
		Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one backward sees over and step to a forward inside odge, step to see a separate place of the step to the sees of
		crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise Ecoward spiral (any edge)
<u> </u>	 	Forward spiral (any edge) Salchow jump
Adult	1:30	Waltz jump – toe loop combination jump
Bronze	Max.	Backward Upright Spin – entry optional (Min. 3 revolutions)
		Backward inside three-turn, right and left
		Spiral sequence (Minimum 2 spirals)- must change edge or foot
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ADULT 1-6 FREE SKATE 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
		Forward Marching
Adult 1	1:40 Max	Forward two-foot glide
		 Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row)
		 Forward snowplow stop – two feet or one foot
		 Forward skating across the width of the ice
Adult 2	1:40 Max	 Forward one-foot glides
		Forward slalom
		Backward skating
		Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row
		 Forward stroking using the blade properly
Adult 3	1:40 Max	 Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, 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	 Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left
		 Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
		 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 BEGINNER - BRONZE FREE SKATE PROGRAM WITH MUSIC

- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice and vocal music is allowed
- To be skated on full ice
- The minimum number of required spin revolutions is indicated in parentheses following the spin description.
 Revolutions must be in position.

Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Adult Beginner 1:40 Maximum	Max. 4 jump elements Jumps limited to bunny hop, mazurka, ballet and Waltz jump Max 1 combination or sequence consisting of only the allowed listed jumps Max. 2 of any same jump	Max. 2 spins • Two forward 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 Skate 1
Adult High Beginner 1:40 Maximum	Max 4 jump elements: Jumps limited to bunny hop, mazurka, ballet, stag, split, waltz, ½ flip, ½ Lutz Max 1 combination or sequence consisting of only the allowed listed jumps 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 any U.S. Figure Skating Free Skate tests
Adult Pre- Bronze 1:40 Maximum	Max 4 Jump Elements: Jump combinations and sequences are optional, but no more than 2 combinations or sequences may be included 1 jump combination/sequence may consist of three jumps, and the other may have only two jumps. Each jump may be repeated only once and only as part of a combination or sequence (maximum of 2 of any jump) Only single and half-revolution jumps are allowed No single Lutz, single Axel or double jumps are allowed	Max 2 Spins: Max Level 1 Spins must be of different character (for definition, see U.S. Figure Skating rule 4103 E)	Connecting steps throughout the program are required	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Adult Pre-Bronze or Pre- Preliminary Free Skate
Adult Bronze 1:50 maximum	Max 4 Jump Elements: Max 2 combinations or sequences; 1 combination/sequence may consist of three jumps, and the other may have only two jumps Each jump may be repeated only once, and only as part of a combination or sequence (maximum of 2 of any jump) All single jumps are permitted (except single Axel) No single Axel, double or triple jumps are permitted	Max 2 Spins: Max Level 1 Spins must be of different character (for definition, see U.S. Figure Skating rule 4103 (E)) Min 3 revs total if no change of foot Min 3 revs each foot if change of foot Min 2 revs in each position No flying spins are permitted	Max 1 Sequence: Choreographic Step Sequence Must use at least 1/4 ice surface May include Moves in the Field and spirals	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Adult Bronze or Preliminary Free Skate



HOCKEY EVENTS – HOCKEY 1-4 FLEMENTS AND SKILLS CHALLENGE

Invite the Hockey 1-4 participants plus members of the local hockey association by creating fun and challenging skills competition. Ages should be divided by 8 & under, 10 & under, 12 & under, 14 & under, 16 & under, 18 & under, and adult. These age groups may be combined based upon number of entries.

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

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

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

Hockey 3

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

Hockey 2

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

Hockey 4

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

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

- Shooting: Using a "shooter tutor," give each skater 10 pucks to shoot into the five holes. Alternate each shot into the different holes in the tutor. Most number of hits wins.
- Fastest Skater: Starting at the center red line, have skaters complete one lap around all of the dots and behind the nets. Set up cones on each red dot to outline to course. 2-4 skaters can race at a time at different sides of the red line. Use stop watch. Fastest skater wins.
- 3. Stick Handling: Place two rows of staggered cones down the length of ice. Have skaters stick handle through the cones down one length and back again. Shortest time wins. A missed cone is a 5-second penalty.
- Agility: Set up an obstacle course with cones for forward and backward skating, turns and stops. Fastest skater wins.
- 5. Passing: Set up stationary targets (i.e. cones, bucket, mini-net) 25 feet away from starting line. Give each skater 10 pucks to try to hit each target. Highest number of hits wins.



SHOWCASE EVENTS

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

Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Costuming and make-up for showcase programs should enhance the feeling created by the performance, and reflect the meaning of the story or theme. Ornaments and hair accessories must be secure. No bobby pins, feathers, hair accessories, or anything else that may fall to the ice and be hazardous to the skaters are allowed. A 0.1 deduction will be taken. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute on and off and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal. A 0.1 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judge's mark for each ten seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

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

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

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

Showcase categories may include:

- Levels can be subdivided, if necessary, depending on entry numbers and event set up
- Dramatic entertainment: 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. Dramatic programs should not be depressing. Even if the emotion is sadness, there should be an enlivened feeling given to the audience.
- Light entertainment: Programs should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions.
- Duets: Theatrical/artistic performances by any competitors.
- Mini production ensembles: Theatrical performances by three to seven competitors.
- Production ensembles: Theatrical performances by eight to 30 skaters. Theater On Ice teams are eligible as production ensembles. NOTE: Skaters may enter only one each duet, mini production or production event.



SHOWCASE EVENTS

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/ Adult Beginner/Adult 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 or free dance tests.	Time: 1:30 max.
No Test	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must not have passed Pre-Preliminary Free Skate or any Free Dance tests.	Time: 1:30 max.
Pre-Preliminary	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary May not have passed any free dance test.	Time: 1:30 max.
Adult Pre-Bronze	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than Adult pre-Bronze free skate test. See National Showcase guidelines for more specific information regarding adults.	Time: 1:40 max.
Preliminary/ Adult Bronze	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze Free Skate or Free Dance test. See National Showcase guidelines for more specific information regarding adults.	Time: 1:40 max.



INTERPRETIVE

Competition Format

The Organizing Committee must pre-select and edit musical choices appropriate for these events. During the warm-up, skaters will hear the selection of music twice. Following the warm-up, all skaters except for the first skater will be escorted to a soundproof locker room or another area of the arena. The first skater will hear the music one more time and then perform a program to the music. As each skater performs, the next skater in line will be allowed to hear the music for the third time before they perform to the music. The listening skater will not be allowed to view the performing skater.

Levels: Levels should be broken by ability with ages divided appropriately.

Judging Rules: Skaters are judged on originality, pattern, technical (the ability to include jumps and spins) and music interpretation/expression.

Spins and jumps performed must be appropriate to competition level.

Time: Music Duration: Pre-Free Skate - No Test: 1:00 Max

Pre-Preliminary - Preliminary: 1:00 Max

Coaching: There is to be no instruction allowed during this event from coaches, parents, or fellow skaters.

Staging area must be kept clear except for ice monitor and listening competitor.

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 back spin (3)
		Sit spin (3)
		Upright one-foot spin (4)
High Beginner	1:30 max.	Upright spin with change of foot (3 each foot)
		Sit spin (3)
		Upright spin with change of foot (3 each foot)
No Test	1:30 max.	Sit spin (3)
		Camel spin (3)
		Spin with one change of position and no change of foot (6)
Pre – Preliminary	1:30 max.	Backward sit spin (3)
		Camel spin (4)
		Spin with one change of foot and one change of position (min. 3 each foot)
Preliminary	1:30 max.	Change sit spin (min 3. each foot)
		One position spin – skater's choice (upright, sit or camel) (4)
Adult Beginner	1:30 max.	Pivot
		Two-foot upright spin (2)
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:30 max.	One-foot upright spin (3)
		Two-foot upright spin (3)
Adult Bronze	1:30 max.	One-foot upright spin (4)
		One-foot back spin (3)
		Sit spin (3)



JUMPS CHALLENGE

General event parameters:

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

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards	
		Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)	
Beginner	1:15 max.	½ flip or ½ Lutz	
		Single Salchow	
		Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)	
High	1:15 max.	Single Salchow	
Beginner		Jump combination – Waltz jump-toe loop	
		Single toe loop	
No Test	1:15 max.	Single loop	
		Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)	
		Single toe loop	
Pre –	1:15 max.	Single flip	
Preliminary		Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)	
		Single flip	
Preliminary	1:15 max.	Single Lutz	
		Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)	
Adult		Bunny hop	
Beginner	1:15 max.	Mazurka or ballet jump	
Adult Pre-		Waltz or toe loop jump	
Bronze	1:15 max.	½ flip, ½ Lutz or ½ loop	
Adult Bronze		Salchow	
	1:15 max.	Toe loop	
		Any single jump plus a toe loop combination (no Axels allowed)	

SOLO PATTERN DANCE

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

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



TEAM COMPULSORY

Format: The designated skater from each team will perform their chosen element in sequence on full ice, with no music, and will follow this format:

- 1. Minimum of three skaters on a team; each skater will do at least one required element.
- 2. When the event is called, all skaters will take the ice for a two (2) minute STROKING ONLY warm-up.
- This will be followed by a one (1) minute individual warm-up for the elements.
- Teams will be directed to find a "base" for their team along the boards on the ice where they will stay for the remainder of the event.
- 5. The announcer, referee or judge-in-charge will call the first element (e.g. jump or stop) to be performed.
- The team member performing the element will step forward and execute the skill, with the element first being performed by the skater on team one, then team two, then team three and so on
- Once all the teams have had their skaters complete the element, the next element will be called.
- 8. Judging is done with one mark for each element (skater) for total team points.
- 9. Repeat #4-7 above as this will be done in sequence until all the elements at each level are completed.

Level	Jumps / Stops	Spins / Turns / Glides	Spiral or Step Sequences
Snowplow Sam – Basic 3, Hockey 1-4 Basic 4-Basic 6	-Wiggles, two-foot swizzles, forward or backward, (4-8 in a row) -Snowplow stop (one or both feet) or hockey stop (with skid) -Side-toe hop, bunny hop, ballet jump, mazurka -Waltz jump	-Curves, glide turns, or hockey turns (right and left, forward) -March then glide on two feet or forward one-foot glide on left and right foot (one time skater's height, forward) -Forward inside pivot or two-foot spin (min. 3 revs.) -One-foot upright spin, optional entry & free foot position (min. 3	Forward ½ swizzle pumps or forward c-cuts on a circle (right and left, 6-8 consecutive) Moving forward to backward two-foot turns on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise
		revs.)	(from Basic 3)
Pre-Free Skate and Free Skate 1-6 levels	-Single jump (no Axel) -Jump combination or jump sequence (no Axel allowed)	-Solo spin (scratch spin, layback, camel or sit, min. 3 revs, no flying entry) -Combo Spin: One change of foot, change of position optional (min. 3 revs. on each foot)	Spiral Sequence (from Free Skate 2)
Adult 1-6	-Forward Snowplow stop -Lunge	-Forward swizzles – 4-6 in a row -Backward one-foot glide, right and left	-Forward chasses on a circle – clockwise and counterclockwise
Adult Beginner/Adult High Beginner	-Bunny hop -Waltz jump	-Beginning one foot spin from backward crossovers -Backward inside three turn, right and left	Alternating right and left forward outside edges across width of the rink
Adult Pre- Bronze/Adult Bronze	-1/2 Flip -Salchow jump	-Forward upright spin -Backward upright spin	Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise



SYNCHRONIZED SKATING- SNOWPLOW SAM SYNCHRO, SYNCHRO SKILLS 1-3, PRELIMINARY

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

- Unison of body alignment, and learning to guide with the head.
- Control of rotation in wheels and circles.
- Straight lines in lines, blocks and intersections.
- Learning how to transition within elements with ease and clarity.
- Incorporating skills from Basic 1-6, Pre-Free Skate and Free Skate 1-2 to strengthen skating skills.
- Learning skills that will be the foundation for higher levels.
- Demonstrate ability to recognize and skate to the tempo of the music.

In order to safely practice and compete at the various levels, it is strongly recommended that skaters have mastered the elements of the Learn to Skate USA level at which they are skating (see program requirements).

Eligibility Rules: All skaters on the team must either be full U.S. Figure Skating members or members of the Learn to Skate USA program. All Learn to Skate USA Synchronized Skating teams must be registered with U.S. Figure Skating and have a team number.

In order for the team to be eligible for Snowplow Sam Synchro or Synchro Skills 1-3 events, no skaters on the team may have passed higher than a preliminary test (moves in the field, freestyle or dance). The skater's test level is as of the competition entry deadline.

No skater may compete on multiple Learn to Skate USA synchronized skating teams.

Age/Number of Skaters: Varies based on the level. The ages for Learn to Skate USA synchronized skating teams are as of the preceding July 1. If the majority of the team is younger than the listed age, consider skating "up" to the level that best meets the skaters' skill levels.

Each Synchro Skills team may have between 8-16 skaters. A Snowplow Sam Synchro team may have between 5-12 skaters. Teams may have a maximum of four alternates listed on their roster, in addition to the maximum number permitted on the ice for their respective level.

Costume Rules: Learn to Skate USA synchronized skating teams should follow Rule 7022 Clothing and Equipment (U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook) when selecting their clothing for competition.



SYNCHRONIZED SKATING SNOWPLOW SAM, SYNCHRO SKILLS 1-3 PRELIMINARY

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

LEVEL	CIRCLE	LINE	BLOCK	WHEEL	INTERSECTION
SNOWPLOW SAM SYNCHRO 5-12 skaters, majority under 7 years old Maximum 2 minutes 10 seconds	One circle, which must contain a forward inside or outside edge 1 foot glide and/or 2 foot glide. May have backwards skating.	One line, skated forward, which must cover half ice to full ice.	One block, skated forward, which must cover half ice to full ice, and must have only 1 configuration.	One wheel, skated forward, in any shape.	One intersection: Two lines facing each other, 2-foot glide at point of intersection.
SYNCHRO SKILLS 1 8-16 skaters, majority under 9 years old Maximum 2 minutes 10 seconds	One circle, which must contain a two foot turn. Must contain a forward inside and/or forward outside edge glide. Stroking from backward to forward is permitted.	One line, which must cover half ice to full ice and may include forward and/or backward skating.	One block, which must cover half ice to full ice, and must have only 1 configuration.	team's choice with	One intersection: Two lines facing each other, 2-foot or 1-foot glide at point of intersection.
SYNCHRO SKILLS 2 8-16 skaters, majority under 12 years old Maximum 2 minutes 10 seconds	One circle, which must contain a forward 3-turn and must contain a backward inside and/or backward outside edge glide.	One line, which must cover full ice and may include forward and/or backward skating.	One block, which must cover the ice and must have 1 or 2 configurations.	team's choice with	One intersection: Two lines facing each other, 2-foot or 1-foot glide at point of intersection.
SYNCHRO SKLLS 3 8-16 skaters, majority at least 12 years old Maximum 2 minutes 10 seconds Minimum of two different hand holds	One circle, which must contain a mohawk and must contain a backward inside and/or backward outside edge glide.	Line element, which includes a change of configuration (1 line to 2 lines or 2 lines to 1 line), and must cover full ice and must include forward and backward skating.	One block, which must cover the ice and must have 2 different configurations.	Wheel element of the team's choice with backward pumps, chasses, and/or crossovers.	One intersection.
PRELIMINARY 8-16 skaters who are under age 12, majority under age 10 2:00 +/- 10 seconds Minimum of two different hand holds	One circle element	One line element	One block element	One wheel element	One intersection element (forward only)

Restrictions in Snowplow Sam Synchro and Synchro Skills 1:

- Additional elements are not allowed (the team must do only their required elements).
- Teams may only use hand-to-hand, shoulder-to-shoulder and choo-choo holds.
- Wheels and circles may not travel, change rotational direction or change configuration.
- Lines may not pivot.
- Snowplow Sam Synchro teams: backwards skating is allowed, but not required, in the circle and is not permitted in any other elements or transitions.
- Teams may not do steps higher than Basic 6.

Restrictions in Synchro Skills 2:

- Additional elements are not allowed (the team must do only their required elements).
- Wheels may not travel, change rotational direction or change configuration.
- Circles may not change rotational direction or change configuration. Traveling is allowed, but not required.
- Lines may not pivot.
- Synchro Skills 2 teams may not do steps higher than Free Skate 2, with the exception of split jumps, stag jumps and split falling leaf jumps.

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

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



THEATRE ON ICE

In order to safely practice and compete at the various levels, it is strongly recommended that skaters have mastered the elements of the Learn to Skate USA level at which they are skating. (See program requirements.) Props, scenery and theatrical makeup are not allowed.

Eligibility Rules: All skaters on the team must either be full U.S. Figure Skating members or members of Learn to Skate USA. It is strongly suggested that teams register with U.S. Figure Skating, but this is not required.

Members of other organizations are eligible to compete, but must be registered with a Learn to Skate USA program or as full members of U.S. Figure Skating.

In order for the team to be eligible for this event, no skaters on the team may have passed higher than the pre-preliminary Moves in the Field or adult pre-bronze test in any discipline.

Age/Number of Skaters: Skaters may not have reached 18 years of age as of September 1 of the current skating season. Teams should be comprised of 8 – 16 skaters.

Program Duration: Teams will skate a program to music of their choice (vocals are allowed) 1 ½ min. +/- 10 sec. There are no restrictions or requirements on music choice but each level has a different THEME, CHOREOGRAPHIC PROCESS and MOVEMENT or GESTURE (see program requirements).

Costume Requirements:

Costumes must be the same for all skaters (skating dresses or pants). On a team including males and females, the males may wear pants which coordinate with the female dresses. Gloves, boot covers and head embellishments are not allowed.

Judging Notes: The main emphasis of each level is mastering the Learn to Skate USA of Theatre On Ice and showing control in the skating skills from the badge levels required. The focus is not difficulty, but the performance and expression of the three required elements.

When possible, judges should be selected from those who have participated in a U.S. Figure Skating or PSA seminar where Theatre On Ice has been discussed, or have some familiarity with the discipline of Theatre On Ice.



THEATRE ON ICE EVENTS

Format: The competitive programs shall create a story based on the theme while demonstrating the choreographic process and gesture or movement.

- Programs should contain skating skills from the Learn to Skate USA program levels listed.
- Elements from higher levels are not allowed.
- Elements from lower levels are encouraged.
- Coaches should refer to the U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA Instructor's Manual for further details on the elements.
- Props, scenery and theatrical makeup are not allowed.
- Costume requirements can be found on page 26 of the Compete USA Manual.

Please refer to the Learn to Skate USA Instructor's Manual for more detailed information on Theatre On Ice 1-4.

Level	Program Length	Test, Team Size and Age Requirements		
		Theme: Joy (emotion)		
TOI/CE 1	1:30 +/- 10 seconds	Choreographic process: Repetition		
		Movement or gesture: Allegro (fast movement)		
		Skaters should demonstrate elements from Learn to Skate USA		
		Basic 1 - 4.		
		Elements from higher levels are not allowed.		
		Theme: Body as an instrument		
TOI/CE 2	1:30 +/- 10 seconds	Choreographic process: Canon		
		Movement or gesture: Soft movement (fluid and light)		
		Skaters should demonstrate elements from Learn to Skate USA		
		Basic 5 -6		
		Elements from higher levels are not allowed.		
		Theme: Traveling through space		
TOI/CE 3	1:30 +/- 10 seconds	Choreographic process: Mirroring		
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		Skaters should demonstrate elements from Learn to Skate USA		
		Pre-Free Skate - Free Skate 3.		
		Elements from higher levels are not allowed.		
		Theme: Rhythm		
TOI/CE 4	1:30 +/- 10 seconds	Choreographic process: Call and response		
		Movement or gesture: Percussive (sharp, fast movement)		
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		Skaters should demonstrate elements from Learn to Skate USA		
		Free Skate 4 - 6.		
		Elements from higher levels are not allowed.		

