

# 26th Annual Eau Claire Figure Skating Competition

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March 15, 2015 Synchronized Team Skating

Entry Closing Date: February 7, 2015

The Eau Claire Figure Skating Synchronized Skating Competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current Rulebook as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted of the U.S. Figure Skating web site.

**ELIGIBILITY / TEST AND AGE REQUIREMENTS**: This competition is open to all synchronized teams comprised of members who are eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and currently registered members of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member.

Skaters must meet the age requirements as of the July 1st preceding this competition. Moves in the Field test requirements are as of the entry deadline.

**ENTRIES:** Fees for synchronized teams are \$95 plus \$14 per skater for all levels except Beginner, which will be \$65 plus \$7 per skater.

The **preferred** method of registration is through Entryeeze via the Eau Claire FCS website (ecfigureskate.org). Paper registration forms will also be accepted. Regardless of the registration method, all teams will need to send completed and signed (1) Team Information, (2) Team Entry, (3) Liability Waiver/Certification, and (4)Collegiate Certification (if applicable) forms to the address noted on the Team Information form or to the Competition Chair through e-mail by the entry deadline. Credit or debit card payments will be charged a 3.8% service fee by the credit card service the club is using. If you pay by check a \$10.00 processing fee will be charged. An additional \$25 will be charged for checks that are returned and the team will only be allowed to compete if payment is subsequently made by cash or money order.

Entries must be either postmarked no later than February 7, 2015 or made on-line prior to midnight February 7, 2015. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee, and will be assessed a \$25 late fee. If there is only one team for an event the event will be cancelled, unless the single entry is due to a withdrawal. The team may still choose to skate an exhibition. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available by email with a PIN number to access your account.

**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded **after February 7**, **2015** unless no competition exists or an event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. **The online processing fees are not refundable**.

**FACILITIES**: The competition will be held Hobbs Ice Arena, 915 Menomonie Street Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The arena has two ice surfaces that will be used for the competition and practices. Rink sizes are 85 x 190. The arena has seating for spectators and a concession stand that will be open during the competition. Locker rooms are available and vendors will be present. Free parking is available for the event.

**MUSIC:** The official competition music (standard compact disc format only) must be turned in at the registration table at the time of check-in and clearly marked with the team's name. CD's must contain only one track and be recorded on CD-R media (no CD-RW's due to compatibility problems). A duplicate CD should be readily available. Music may be picked up at the registration table following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Eau Claire Figure Skating Club cannot be responsible for CDs left at the end of the competition. **PLEASE HAVE SEPARATE CD'S FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION.** 

**LIABILITY:** In accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook U.S. Figure Skating, Eau Claire Figure Skating Club and Hobbs Ice Arena accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition.

**JUDGING SYSTEM:** The majority 6.0 Judging System will be used for all events

**REGISTRATION:** Registration will be open during all scheduled practices and events. The registration table will be located at Hobbs Ice Arena in the main lobby. One team registration should register on behalf of the team, as soon as the team arrives at the competition. Coaches must register separately to receive their credential (see coaching requirements below).

**ADMISSION:** All spectators 13 years of age and older will be required to purchase a \$3.00 ticket for admission. Team members, coaches, and two chaperones (per team) will receive passes for the event.

**PRACTICE ICE**: All practice ice will be held at Hobbs Ice arena. Synchronized team practice ice will be available for purchase at a cost of \$60 per 15-minute session and will be held on Saturday evening March 14, 2015. You will be notified when online practice ice registration is available.

**PHOTOGRAPHY** / **VIDEOGRAPHY**: The official photographer, Buckley's Studio of Fine Photography, will be present to take award pictures. Videotaping and action photos will be available pending vender availability. Teams may sign up for these services at the designated tables near the registration area. Note that no flash photography will be allowed in the official photography area. Also note that flash photography on the rinks is not allowed when Teams are on the ice.

**AWARDS:** Trophies will be awarded to the top three synchronized skating teams in each division except the beginner level which will receive medals. Awards and pictures will be held on-ice. Award times will be designated in the official schedule for the day.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES:** An official bulletin board will be maintained at Hobbs Ice Arena near the registration desk. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent, and/or coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Teams are requested to arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition. Events may run ahead at the discretion of the referee.

#### INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:

To coach at a U.S. Figure Skating competition, a professional coach or choreographer must be:

- Declared by the skater or team in the registration process
- Listed as Coaches Education Requirement (CER) <u>Category A or B / Category C for Basic Skills/Beginner events</u>) compliant for the current season
- Current with Coach Registration (requires annual fee and background check)
- A current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating
- A coaches' requirements chart can be found at: <a href="http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaches%20Requirement%20Chart.pdf">http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaches%20Requirement%20Chart.pdf</a>.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of 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. Coaches who are NOT on the list will need to show proof of membership in U.S. Figure Skating, a Coaches Registration card, proof of Category A or B (C for Basic Skills) compliance in CER, and a photo I.D. at check in. If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions. We strongly urge all coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Competition web site: <a href="www.ecfigureskate.org">www.ecfigureskate.org</a> For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair: Steve Southworth <u>stevesouthworth@msn.com</u> 715-577-0757 Chief Referee: Robert Gall <u>RWGall@frontier.com</u> 715-848-3283

Practice Ice: Steve Southworth (see above)

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Host Hotel: Clarion Hotel Campus Area

2703 Craig Road, Eau Claire 715-835-2211 or 800-472-3297

RATES ARE \$77.95 + tax PER NIGHT (ONE TO FOUR OCCUPANTS)

All rooms have a microwave and refrigerator. Amenities also include:

Green Mill Restaurant & Bar, indoor pool, whirlpool, fitness and game room.

ROOMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THIS RATE THROUGH FEBRUARY 19, 2015. Under ECFSC

**Directions from I-94:** Exit 65 to Hwy 37, left at Craig Rd, hotel on right. **Directions from hotel to rink:** Right on Craig Rd, left on Clairemont Ave, right on Menomonie St, right at Riverside Bike and Skate, Hobbs Ice Arena's address is 915 Menomonie St.

#### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

## **Synchronized Skating Basic Levels**

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

LEVEL	CIRCLE	LINE	BLOCK	WHEEL	INTERSECTION
BEGINNER 1	One circle, which must contain a	One line, which	One block,	One wheel,	One intersection:
8-16 skaters,	two foot turn (stroking from	must cover half	which must	choice of 4-	Two lines facing
majority under 9	backward to forward is	ice to full ice and	cover half ice	spoke or 3	each other, 2-foot
years old	permitted). Must contain a	must have only	to full ice, and	spoke with	glide at point of
1 ½ - 2 minutes	forward inside and/or forward	forward skating.	must have only	backward	intersection.
+/- 10 seconds	outside edge glide.		1 configuration.	pumps.	
BEGINNER 2	One circle, which must include	One line, which	One block,	One wheel of	One intersection:
8-16 skaters,	the choreographed step	must cover the	which must	the team's	Two lines facing
majority	sequence: 2 forward crossovers,	ice and may	cover the ice	choice with	each other, 2-foot or
9 – 11 years old	FO 3 turn, back pump, BO 1 foot	include forward	and must have 1	backward	1-foot glide at point
1 ½ - 2 minutes	glide (held for at least 2 counts),	and backward	or 2	pumps.	of intersection.
+/- 10 seconds	back pump, 1 backward	skating.	configurations.		
	crossover, FI stroke (1 direction				
	only, don't need to repeat)				
BEGINNER 3	Circle element, which must	Line element,	One block,	Wheel	One intersection:
8-16 skaters,	include the combination move	which must cover	which must	element of the	Two lines facing
majority at least 12	from Basic 8.	the ice and must	cover the ice	team's choice	each other, 1-foot
years old	(1 direction only,	include forward	and must have 2	with backward	glide or forward
2 – 2 ½ minutes	don't need to repeat)	and backward	or 3	pumps,	lunge at point of
+/- 10 seconds		skating.	configurations.	chasses, or	intersection.
				crossovers.	

#### Restrictions in Beginner 1 & 2:

- Additional elements are not allowed (the team must do only their required elements).
- Teams may only use hand-to-hand, shoulder-to-shoulder and choo-choo holds.

- Wheels and circles may not travel, change rotational direction or change configuration.
- Beginner 1 teams may not do steps higher than Basic 5, with the exception of forward chasses.
- Beginner 2 teams may not do steps higher than Free Skate 1, with the exception of forward chasses.

### **Restrictions in Beginner 3:**

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

#### Restrictions in all levels:

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

### **Synchronized Skating Standard Levels**

### General event parameters:

- 1. Teams will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted.
- 2. All age restrictions are as of the preceding July 1st.
- 3. Teams may have a maximum of four alternates, in addition to the maximum number of skaters allowed per level.
- 4. See the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook, technical notification and/or ISU communication for skating requirements.
- 5. The following rules apply to teams of all levels:
  - Rule 7020 Clothing
  - Rule 7120 Definitions of Steps and Turns
  - Rule 7130, 7140 Definitions of Features and Requirements
  - Rule 7150 General Criteria for Basic Requirements for Elements
  - Rule 7160 Illegal Elements/Features/Additional Features/Movements

Level	Time	Roster	Age	Test level	Rules
Preliminary	2:00 +/- 10 sec.	8 – 16	All under age 12	None	Well balanced
Pre-Juvenile	2:15 +/- 10 sec.	skaters 8 – 16 skaters	Majority under age 10  Majority under age 12	None None	well balanced program: Rule 7270 program: Rule 7260
Open Juvenile	2:30 +/- 10 sec.	8 – 16 skaters	Under age 20	Pre-preliminary moves in the field	Well balanced program: Rule 7250
Juvenile	3:00 +/- 10 sec.	12 – 20 skaters	Under age 13	Preliminary moves in the field	Well balanced program: Rule 7240
Intermediate	3:30 +/- 10 sec.	12 – 20 skaters	Under age 18	Pre-Juvenile moves in the field	Well balanced program: Rule 7230
Novice	3:30 +/- 10 sec.	12 – 20 skaters	Under age 16, with the exception of up to 4 skaters who may be 16 or 17.	Juvenile moves in the field	Well balanced program: Rule 7220
Junior	FS: 4:00 +/- 10 sec. SP: max 2:50	12 – 16 skaters	At least age 13, must be under 19	Intermediate moves in the field	WBP & Short Program: Rule 7210
Senior	FS: 4:30 +/- 10 sec. SP: max 2:50	16 skaters	At least age 15	Novice moves in the field	WBP & Short Program: Rule 7200
Collegiate	4:00 +/- 10 sec.	12 – 20 skaters	All must be enrolled in a college or university degree program as full-time students	Juvenile moves in the field	Well balanced program: Rule 7280
Open			All must be enrolled in a college or university degree		Well balanced

Collegiate	3:00 +/- 10 sec.	8 – 16 skaters	program as full-time students	None	program: Rule 7290
Adult	3:30 +/- 10 sec.	12 – 20 skaters	At least age 21, with the exception of up to 4 skaters who may be 18 - 20.	Preliminary moves in the field, dance or figure	Well balanced program: Rule 7500
Masters	3:00 +/- 10 sec.	12 – 20 skaters	At least age 25, with the majority of the team at least 30	None	Well balanced program: Rule 7510
Open Adult	2:30 +/- 10 sec.	8 – 16 skaters	Majority at least age 19	None	Well balanced program: Rule 7520
Open Masters	2:30 +/- 10 sec.	8 – 16 skaters	At least age 25, with the majority of the team at least 30	None	Well balanced program: Rule 7530

## **Crossover Rules:**

An individual skater may skate on more than one, but not more than two, synchronized skating teams, as long as the respective teams are in different levels. All the stipulations of rules 2056, 2827 and 7200–7530 must be adhered to. The following matrix defines allowed crossovers:

The shaded areas indicate no crossovers are allowed. An "X" indicates crossovers are allowed between the two levels, providing all requirements are met as defined in rules 2056, 2827 and 7200-7530.

	Beginner 1-3	Preliminary	Pre -Juvenile	Open Juvenile	Juvenile	Intermediate	Novice	Junior	Senior	Open Collegiate	Collegiate	Open Adult 1 or 2	Masters	Adult
Beginner 1, 2, or 3														
Preliminary														
Pre - Juvenile														
Open Juvenile														
Juvenile						Х	Χ							
Intermediate					Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ					
Novice					Х	Х		Χ	Χ					
Junior						Х	Χ		Χ		Х			
Senior						Х	Χ	Χ			Х			Χ
Open Collegiate														
Collegiate								Χ	Χ					Х
Open Adult														
Masters														Χ
Adult									Χ		Х		Χ	

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ENTRY FORM 1: T	eam ını	formation
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Team name:		USFS Team F	Registration #:		
Club: (if applicable)			1		
Team contact person:					
Daytime phone number:	E-mail:				
Address:	City	State / ZIP			
Primary coach:			U.S. Figure S	L kating #	
Daytime phone number:		E-mail:			
Number of skaters:		Number of alter	rnates:		
[ ] Basic Skills Beginner 2 [ ] Basic Skills Beginner 3 [ ] Preliminary [ ] Pre-Juvenile [	[ ] Juvenil [ ] Interme [ ] Novice [ ] Junior f [ ] Senior f [ ] _ event(s) competitor _ beginner e	e [ ediate [ free skate [ free	Collegiat Copen Co Adult Masters Open Ac Open Ma Open Ma  per team / ev oer skater / ev oer skater / be	ollegiate dult easters vent vent eginner event	
Checks should be made payable to:	Eau	ı Claire Figure Ska	ating		
Please send all forms and fees to:		Angie Southworth 3644 26 <sup>th</sup> Street lk Mound, WI 5473			
All fees and entry forms must be Received by:		February 7, 2015			

<u>Note for collegiate / open collegiate teams</u>: Please bring with you a copy of the collegiate certification page, or alternate proof of your athletes' student status, as of the entry deadline.

<u>Note for beginner teams</u>: Beginner teams may choose to represent either a full member club or a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills school / program.

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## **ENTRY FORM 2:** Team Entry Form

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Team Name:			Level:	
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<sup>\*</sup> Required for teams entering open juvenile, juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior, senior, collegiate and adult. Also required for beginner teams. <u>Skaters on beginner teams are not permitted to have passed higher than preliminary, and the majority of the team must be no-test.</u>

<sup>\*\*</sup> Skaters on beginner teams may be either full U.S. Figure Skating members or Basic Skills members.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Teams are permitted to have a maximum for four alternates, in addition to the maximum number of athletes allowed on the ice at their level.

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# ENTRY FORM 3: Liability Waiver / Certification by Club Officer

Team Name:		Level:	
U.S. Figure Skating and the clubs or organizers of injuries suffered by the skaters or officials. As a concentries or participation therein, all entrants, their pagree to assume all risks of injury to their person at the conduct and management of the competition they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Sk	ondition of and in conside parents and guardians a and property resulting from on, and to waive and rel	eration of the acceptanc nd officials shall be deem m, caused by or connect ease any and all claims v	e of their ed to ed with, which
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Club officer or skating school director: All of best of my knowledge, eligible members in grigure Skating or Skate Canada rules.			
Print Name:	Signature		
Title:			
Club or Basic Skills program name:			

Team Name:

U.S. Figure Skating Number:

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ENTRY FORM 4: Collegiate Certification page - for collegiate and open collegiate teams ONLY.

Collegiate and open collegiate teams must comply with Rule 7280 (collegiate) or Rule 7290 (open collegiate). Athletes must be considered full-time students by the college or university they attend, as of the entry deadline for this event. Use a separate form for each institution the members attend, collect all of the forms and send them together. Students may also choose another method to prove their student status, such as a print out of an unofficial transcript or a letter from the registrar.

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Signature:	Date:			