



**28th Annual
Eau Claire Figure Skating Competition**

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Eau Claire Figure Skating Club**
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**Sanctioned by U S Figure Skating
March 12, 2017 Synchronized Team
Skating**

The Eau Claire Figure Skating 28th Annual 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.

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 in accordance with the current Rulebook. Refer to the current rule book for non-U.S. Citizens.

ELIGIBILITY / TEST AND AGE REQUIREMENTS: Skaters must meet the age requirements by the July 1st preceding this competition. Moves in the Field test requirements are as of the entry deadline.

ENTRIES: An online entry system with secure credit card payment is being used for the 2017 competition. You can access the online registration system on our clubs website (ecfigureskate.org) Fees for synchronized teams are \$100 plus \$15 per skater for all levels except Beginner, which will be \$65 plus \$7 per skater. The service that is managing the credit payments will charge a 3.8% service fee. All registration is requested to be done online however you may submit a paper registration form. If you chose to pay by check a \$10.00 processing fee will be charged. Entries must be registered by midnight online or postmarked by **January 31, 2017**. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee, and will be assessed a \$25 late fee. **ECFSC** may, at its option, require a minimum of two competitors for an event to take place. Fees will be refunded if there is no event and the competitor chooses not to skate an exhibition. You will be assessed an additional \$25 for all checks that are returned, and the skater will only be allowed to compete if payment is subsequently made in cash or money order.

Online registration with credit card or online registration with written check including a \$10.00 processing fee sent to:

Angie Southworth 3644 26th Street Elk Mound, WI 54739

If you do not have internet access you can complete the registration form and send to Angie.

According to USFS Rule 3047, entry fees and purchased practice ice, minus the online processing fee are refundable if the withdrawal of an entry is made before the closing of entries, January 31, 2017. After January 31, 2017, No refunds (including for medical purposes) will be issued unless the event is canceled due to insufficient participation. The online processing fee is not refundable for any reason.

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will not be refunded after January 31st, 2017 unless no competition exists or is canceled. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be assessed a \$25 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the team is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held Hobbs Ice Arena, 915 Menomonie Street Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The arena has two ice surfaces, both of which 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: 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. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

JUDGING SYSTEM

The majority 6.0 Judging System will be used for the following events:
All Events

REGISTRATION:

Registration will be available no later than 30 minutes before the first event of the competition and during all scheduled practice ice sessions and competition events. The registration table will be located at Hobbs Ice Arena in the main lobby.

One team member 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 11, 2017. You will be notified when online practice ice registration is available.

PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEOGRAPHY:

The official photographer, Buckley's Studio of Fine Photography will have a backdrop available for award pictures. 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. Awards 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. Skaters 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.

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) Category A or B / Category C for Basic Skills/Beginner events 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 here:

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaches%20Requirement%20Chart.pdf>.

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: www.ecfigureskate.org

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition & Practice Ice: Steve Southworth stevesouthworth@msn.com 715-577-0767

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Clarion Hotel Campus Area - located 1.5 miles from
Hobbs Ice Arena

**2703 Craig Road, Eau Claire, WI -
715-835-2211**

**RATES ARE \$84.95 + tax PER NIGHT (one to
four occupants)**

All rooms have a microwave and refrigerator. Amenities also include: Green Mill Restaurant & Bar, indoor pool, whirlpool and fitness center.

**ROOMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THIS RATE THROUGH
FEBRUARY 24, 2017 under ECFSC**

Directions to the hotel from I-94: Exit 65 to Hwy 37, left at Craig Rd, hotel on right.
Directions from Clarion hotel to rink: Right on Craig Rd, left on Clairemont Ave, right on Menomonie St, right at Riverside Bike and Skate.

Holiday Inn Eau Claire South- 7 miles from
Hobbs. 4751 Owen Ayres Ct. Eau Claire, WI
715-830-9889 Rates: \$114.95 +tax PER
NIGHT (one to four occupants)

All rooms have a microwave and refrigerator. Amenities also include: Johnny's Italian Steakhouse, indoor pool, whirlpool and fitness center.

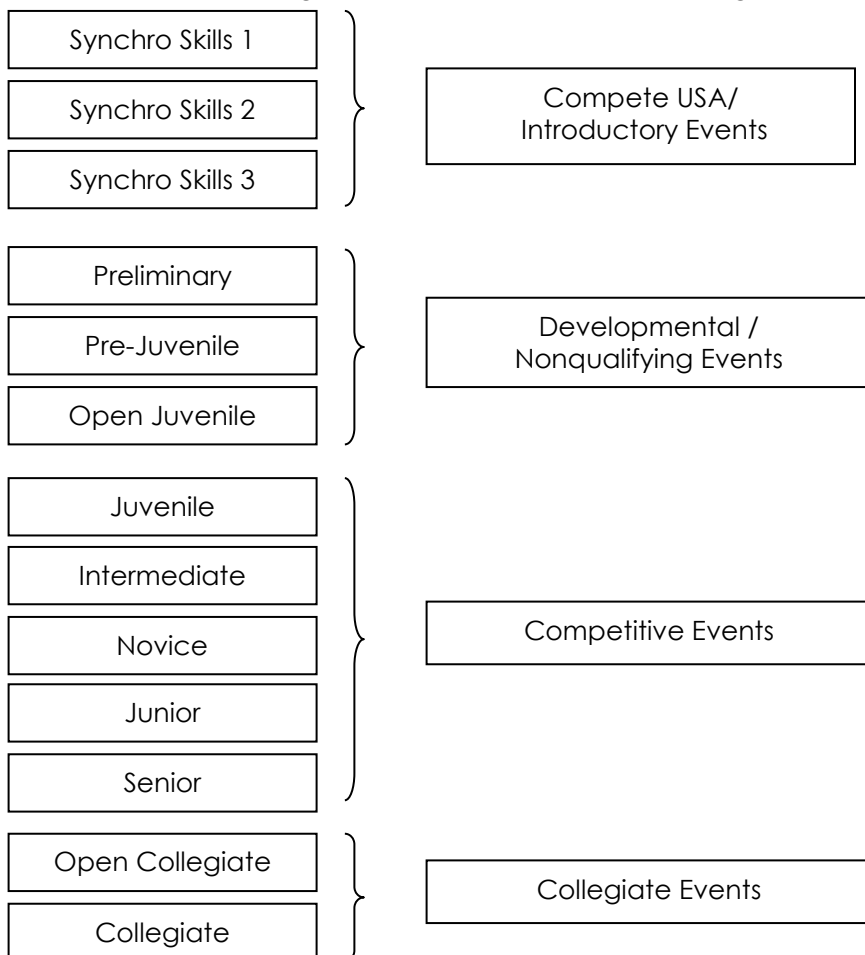
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See the current rulebook/website for current rules and ISU communications.

http://www.usfigureskating.org/New_Judging.asp?id=361)

Illustration of Synchronized Skating competitive pipeline and events; age restrictions, test requirements, and program duration are on the next page:



This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Synchronized Skating Non-Qualifying Competition



- A. Synchro Skills 1:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test-
Program duration: 1 ½ -2 minutes.
Rules:
<http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>
- B. Synchro Skills 2:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test-
Program duration: 1 ½ -2 minutes.
Rules:
<http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>
- C. Synchro Skills 3:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be at least 12 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.
Program duration: 2 – 2 ½ minutes.
Rules:
<http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>
- D. Preliminary:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. All skaters must be under 12. The majority of the team must be under 10.
Program duration: 2 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7270
- E. Pre-Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12.
Program duration: 2 minutes, 15 seconds.
Well balanced program: Rule 7260
- F. Open Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be under 20 and have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7250
- G. Juvenile:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 13 and have passed the preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7240
- H. Intermediate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 18 and have passed the pre-juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7230
- I. Novice:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 16, with the exception that up to 4 team members may be 16 or 17. All must have passed the juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7220
- J. Junior:** A team of 12 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 13 and under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the intermediate moves in the field test.

Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds
Free skate duration: 4 minutes.
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 7210

- K. Senior:** A team of 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 15 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the novice moves in the field test.
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds
Free skate duration: 4 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 7200
- L. Open Collegiate:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student, as of the entry deadline.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7290
- M. Collegiate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student, as of the entry deadline, and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 4 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7280
- N. Open Adult:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of skaters must be at least 19 years or older.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7520
- O. Open Masters:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 25, and the majority of the team must be at least 30.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7530
- P. Masters:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be at least 25, and the majority of the team must be at least 30.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7510
- Q. Adult:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. All skaters must be at least 21 with the exception that up to four team members may be 18, 19 or 20 years of age. All skaters must have passed either the preliminary moves in the field test, the adult bronze moves in the field test, the preliminary figure test or the preliminary dance test.
Program duration: 3 minutes, 15 seconds.
Well balanced program: Rule 7500

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.

Crossover Rules:

No team may be comprised of more than 50% of athletes that are also on any other team. This applies to both the entire roster and the athletes that are skating on the ice at any given competition.

The chart below illustrates the levels where crossover skaters are allowed. 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 Rules 7200 – 7530, in addition to the statement above.

	Synchro Skills 1, 2 or 3	Preliminary	Pre - Juvenile	Open Juvenile	Juvenile	Intermediate	Novice	Junior	Senior	Open Collegiate	Collegiate	Open Adult	Open Masters	Masters	Adult
Synchro Skills 1, 2 or 3															
Preliminary															
Pre - Juvenile															
Open Juvenile															
Juvenile						X	X								
Intermediate					X		X	X	X						
Novice					X	X		X	X						
Junior						X	X		X		X				
Senior						X	X	X			X				X
Open Collegiate															
Collegiate								X	X						X
Open Adult															
Open Masters															
Masters															X
Adult									X		X			X	

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ENTRY FORM 2: Team Entry Form

Team Name:	Level:
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SKATER NAMES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER Last name first	Birth date	U.S. Figure Skating #**	Highest MITF test passed *
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Alt. 1.***			
Alt. 2.***			
Alt. 3.***			
Alt. 4.***			

* Required for teams entering open juvenile, juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior, senior, collegiate and adult. Also required for beginner teams. **Skaters on beginner teams are not permitted to have passed higher than preliminary.**

** Skaters on beginner teams may be either full U.S. Figure Skating members **or** Basic Skills members.

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

Skater's name in alphabetical order	Skater signature or parent / guardian (if skater is under 18)
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Club officer or skating school director: *All of the skaters listed on the team entry form are to the best of my knowledge, eligible members in good standing and eligible to compete under U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada rules.*

Print Name:	Signature
Title:	
Club or Basic Skills program name:	

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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.

Team Name:	U.S. Figure Skating Number:
Level:	

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	STUDENT ID NUMBER
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REGISTRAR:

I certify that the students listed above are considered full-time students by the following institution: _____

Name of Registrar: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____