

31st Annual Eau Claire Figure Skating Competition

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Sanctioned by U S Figure Skating March 8, 2020 Synchronized Team Skating



The Eau Claire Figure Skating 31st 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.

This event is proud to participate in the National Synchronized Skating Series. Participation in this series is open to all Snowplow Sam Synchro, Synchro Skills 1, 2, or 3 teams and preliminary, pre-juvenile, open juvenile, open collegiate, open adult and open masters teams. Visit www.usfigureskating.org for more information on this series. Results of this event for participating teams will be reported to U.S. Figure Skating for calculation of the series results.

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 2020 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 Snowplow and Synchro Skills, which will be \$65 plus \$10 per skater. The service that is managing the credit payments will charge a 5.% 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, 2020**. 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:

Steve Southworth 3644 26th Street Elk Mound, WI 54739

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

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, 2020. After January 31, 2020, 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, 2020 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: Snowplow, Synchro Skills, Preliminary, Pre- Juvenile, Open Juvenile, Open Collegiate **REGISTRATION:**

Registration will be available starting Saturday Night and no later than 1 hour before the first event of the competition and during all scheduled practice ice sessions. 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, team managers and team service personal 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 \$5.00 ticket for admission. Team members, coaches, and two chaperones (per team) will receive passes for the event. In order to receive a chaperone credential, each team manager and team service personnel must have completed the SafeSport Training and successfully passed a background check. Those that cannot produce proof that these have been successfully completed will not be provided a chaperone credential.

Team managers and team service personnel will be asked to pick up their own credentials. These credentials are only to be used by the team manager and team service personnel who originally picked them up and may not be shared. Anyone found using a credential, not on the approved compliance list, will have their credential privileges revoked for the duration of the competition and the violation will be brought to the attention of U.S. Figure Skating and the Ethics Committee.



Please see the U.S Figure Skating Safesport Handbook for more details.

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 \$70 per 15-minute session and will be held on Saturday evening March 7, 2020. You will be notified when online practice ice registration is available.

PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEOGRAPHY:

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 ALL COACHES:

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

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating- either through a member club or as an individual member.
- ✓ If 18 years of age or older, must submit the proper payment of \$20 through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only website, and submit information for and successfully pass an annual background check.
- ✓ Must complete the CER SafeSport training course and any additional courses as required in MR 5.12 effective starting July 1, 2018.
- ✓ Must submit proof of general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

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 ID to receive a credential. Coaches who are **NOT** on the list will need to show proof of membership in U.S. Figure Skating, proof of compliance, and a photo ID at check in.

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 – <u>no exceptions</u>. We strongly urge all coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions.

Foreign coaches will be required to present the LOC with a letter, from their federation, verifying they are a member in good standing.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition web site: ecfigureskate.org
For questions, please contact the following individuals:



Competition Chair:	Steve Southworth	Stevesouthworth@msn.com	715-874-4877
Chief Referee:	Robert Boroughs		

RULES/ISU COMMUNICATIONS:

See the current rulebook/website for current rules and ISU communications. http://www.usfigureskating.org/story?id=84114

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Staybridge Suites Eau Claire-Altoona

\$115.95/night Click here to make

<u>reservations at Staybridge Suites Eau Claire-Altoona</u> 1515 Bluestem Blvd., Altoona, WI 54720

(715) 830-0800

Candlewood Suites Eau Claire 194

\$104.95/night Click here to make

reservations at Candlewood Suites Eau Claire i94 4937 Bullis Farm Rd., Eau Claire, WI 54701

(715) 839-0967

\$115.95/night Click here to make

Holiday Inn Eau Claire South 194
reservations for the Holiday Inn South Eau Claire
4751 Owen Ayres Court, Eau Claire, WI 54701
(715) 830-9889

Holiday Inn Express Eau Claire North (Lake Hallie)

\$104.95/night Click here to make a

reservation for Eau Claire Figure Skating at Holiday Inn Express

12858 26th Ave., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 (715) 723-4654

Rates listed are for the standard room at each property. Upgraded room styles (and applicable rates) may be an option at each hotel, dependent on the guest preference and availability. Taxes for the City of Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls are 13.5% Taxes for the City of Altoona are 12.5%

Metropolis Resort: 5150 Fairview Drive Eau Claire, WI 54701 Block of rooms held under "Eau Claire Figure Skating Club March Competition" Guests will get 20% off the best available rate for those dates. Please call 844-855-2724

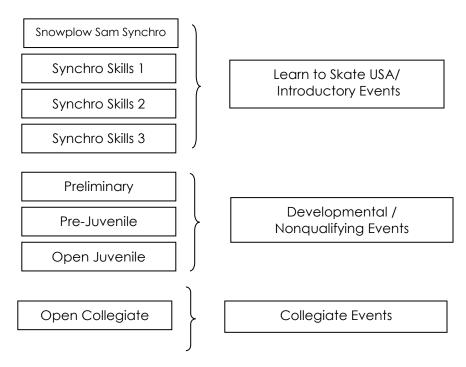
7.4 miles from Hobbs Ice Arena



EVENTS OFFERED:

See the current rulebook/website for current rules and ISU communications. http://www.usfigureskating.org/story?id=84114)

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





A. Snowplow Sam Synchro A team of 5-12 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 7

years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.

Program duration: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.

Rules:

http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchro

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B. Synchro Skills 1: A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9

years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.

Program duration: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.

Rules:

http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchro

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C. 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: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.

Rules:

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D. 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: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.

Rules:

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E. 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 9480

F. Pre-Juvenile: A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 13.

Program duration: 2 minutes, 15 seconds. Well balanced program: Rule 9470

G. 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 9460

M. 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: 2 minutes, 30 seconds Well balanced program: Rule 9495

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 9400-9530, in addition to the statement above.

	Snowplow Sam Synchro, 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
Snowplow Sam Synchro, Synchro Skills 1, 2 or 3															
Preliminary															
Pre - Juvenile															
Open Juvenile															
Juvenile						Х	Χ								
Intermediate					Χ		Х	Χ	Χ						
Novice					Х	Χ		Х	Χ						
Junior						Χ	Х		Х		Х				
Senior						Х	Х	Х			Х				Х
Open Collegiate															
Collegiate								Х	Х						Х
Open Adult															
Open Masters															
Masters															Х
Adult									Χ		Х			Χ	



Team name:			U.S. Figure SI	kating #:
Club: (if applicable)				
Team contact person:				
Daytime phone number:		E-mail:		
Address:		City		State / ZIP
Primary coach:			U.S. Figure SI	kating #
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[] Synchro Skills 2 [] Synchro Skills 3 [] Snowplow Sam Synchro [] Preliminary [] Pre-Juvenile [] Open Juvenile Entry Fee: Enclosed is \$ for \$ for \$ for \$ for	[] Open [] Open _ event. \$100 _ competitors _Synchro Skills _ competitors	Collegiate Adult per team / event s. \$15 per skater / e s events \$65 per te s \$10 per skater / Sy e \$70/ 15 minutes	am / Synchro S	Skills event* ent*
Checks should be made payable to: Ec	au Claire Figu	re Skating Club		
Please send all forms and fees to:		Steve Southworts Elk Mound, WI 547	739	
All fees and entry forms must be Received by:	ONLINE EF	January 31, 2020	,	J

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

Note for Synchro Skills 1-3 & Snowplow Sam Synchro teams: Snowplow Sam Synchro & Synchro Skills 1-3 teams may choose to represent either a full member club or a U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA program.



ENTRY FORM 2: Team Entry Form

TEAM NAME:	LEVEL:	TEAM U.S. FIGURE SKATING #:

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^{*} Required for teams entering Open Juvenile, Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior, Collegiate and Adult divisions.

Also required for Snowplow Sam Synchro & Synchro Skills 1-3 teams.

As of the competition entry deadline, <u>skaters on Learn to Skate USA Synchro Skills teams are not permitted to have passed higher than a preliminary test.</u>

TEAM MANAGER/TEAM SERVICE PERSONNEL RECEVING A CREDENTIAL AT THE COMPETITION (names must appear exactly as listed in U.S. FIGURE SKATING database)

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	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	U.S. FIGURE SKATING #
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^{**} Skaters on Snowplow Sam Synchro or Synchro Skills 1-3 teams may be either full U.S. Figure Skating members or Learn to Skate USA 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.

ENTRY FORM 3: Liability Waiver / Certification by Club Officer	
Team Name:	Level:

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.

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Skater's name in alphabetical order	Skater signature or parent / guardian (if skater is under 18)
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Club officer or Learn to Skate USA Program 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 Learn to Skate USA program name:	

If team is an individual member of U.S. Figure Skating, either the head coach or synchronized skating director may sign this form.



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

Collegiate and Open Collegiate teams must comply with Rule 9490 (Collegiate) or Rule 9495 (Open Collegiate). Athletes must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be enrolled in a degree program at a college or university as full-time students as recognized 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 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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U.S. Figure Skating Team