



2023
Skating Club of Southern Connecticut
Terry Conners Rink
COMPETE USA



March 18, 2023
12:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Close of entries March 4, 2023

Learn to Skate Compulsory Element Events – no Music
Learn to Skate Free Skate Program Events – with Music

Introductory Compulsory Elements – no Music
Introductory Free Skate Programs – with Music

Compulsory Elements – no Music
*** Excel Program Events**
*** Well Balanced Programs**

Showcase

*** THIS COMPETITION IS NOT PART OF THE EXCEL SERIES
POINTS WILL NOT BE AWARDED OR ACCRUED**



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Terry Conners Skating Rink
Cove Island Park, 1125 Cove Road Stamford, Connecticut 06902
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SC of Southern CT COMPETE USA
at
TERRY CONNERS RINK

Sponsored by Skating Club of Southern Connecticut

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DATE: Saturday, March 18, 2023

TIME: 12:30pm to 5:30 pm

LOCATION: Terry Connors Ice Rink, Cove Island Park, 1125 Cove Road, Stamford CT 06902 203.977.4728

WEBSITE: www.skatescsc.com

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RULES: The competition will be conducted according to the rules for the 2022-2023 competition season as set forth in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

ELIGIBILITY: The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible members of either the Learn to Skate USA and/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 the Terry Connors Skating School Learn to Skate Program, SC of Southern CT, Learn to Skate USA or a member club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All **SNOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS 1 – 6 SKATERS** must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including Moves in the Field or Individual Dances.

For the **Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 1-6, Excel and Well-Balanced Levels**, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed. Moves in the Field test level will not determine skater's competitive level. Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher, but not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

Skaters need to be placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) discovers that a skater has been placed in a category that is below his/her class level, the chair and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper division, even if it is the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors.

ENTRIES AND FEES: Skaters may register online at www.skatescsc.com and pay by credit card by **March 4, 2023**. Late entries may be accepted only at the discretion of the Competition Committee and will be subject to a \$25.00 late fee. The number of late entries may be restricted due to time constraints.

SNOWPLOW SAM to Basic 6 Elements – \$60.00

BASIC 3 to BASIC 6 PROGRAMS (with music) \$70.00

PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 1-6 COMPULSORY - \$65.00

PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 1-6 PROGRAMS (with music) - \$75.00

Combined Price for Basic Skills and Free Skate Levels: One Elements and One Program Event at the same level \$100.00

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EXCEL COMPULSORY MOVES: Beginner, High Beginner, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary – **\$100.00**

EXCEL FREE SKATE PROGRAMS: Beginner, High Beginner, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary, Preliminary Plus – **\$100.00**

Combined Price for Excel Skate Levels: One Compulsory and One Program Event at the same level \$150.00

WELL BALANCED COMPULSORY MOVES: No Test, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary – **\$100.00**

WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE PROGRAMS: No Test, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary, Preliminary Plus – **\$100.00**

Combined Price for Well Balanced Skate Levels: One Compulsory and One Program Event at the same level \$150.00

SHOWCASE: All Levels – **\$100.00**

Per USFS Rule 3058, NO refunds will be granted after the closing date unless the event is cancelled by SC of Southern CT. There will be no refunds made for withdrawals for medical reasons, conflicting family activities, injuries, or illness. Should there be only one skater in an event, the event may be cancelled, and the skater will receive a refund for the cancelled event per Rule #3048. There will be no changes to the schedule to accommodate personal or family conflicts. Any request for event or level changes after the entry has been received will be processed upon receipt of a \$25.00 change fee. No changes will be made after entries have been sent to the chief referee. There will be a \$30.00 fee for returned checks. There will be no admission charge.

Register Online at www.skatescsc.com

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place skaters in each group, and all groups, Snowplow Sam through Free Skate 6, will be limited to four skaters. No Test, Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary Compulsory Moves and Free Skate Events, and all Excel Compulsory and Free Skate events will be grouped at the discretion of the organizing committee, based on the number of entries. Award Ceremonies will be scheduled at various intervals throughout the competition and will be presented off-ice.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS: The competition schedule will be posted at Terry Conners Rink and on the Skating Club of Southern Connecticut website (www.skatescsc.com) as soon as possible after the close of entries but no later than one week prior to the competition.

MUSIC: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EntryEeze no later than March 4, 2023 11:59 PM ET. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a \$35.00 late fee. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite. If you need assistance, email helaine.walker@gmail.com. Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rinkside whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector, an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required to be attached. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode and volume turned to maximum.

LOCKER ROOMS: Locker rooms **will not** be used. We ask that all skaters come dressed and ready to compete. Rink benches will be used for putting on skates. Bring skate guards. Do not leave valuables unguarded. Neither SCSC nor Terry Conners Rink will be liable for items that are lost or stolen.

LIABILITY: This competition has been approved by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted in association with U.S. Figure Skating rules governing non-qualifying and Basic Skills competitions as set forth in the 2022 Rulebook. It is agreed that the competitor and family holds Skating Club of Southern Connecticut, Terry Conners Skating School, and Terry Conners Rink harmless from any and all liability during practice and the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, [CLICK HERE](#). Please refer to the SC of Southern CT website (www.skatescsc.com) for current COVID-19 protocols as determined by the State of Connecticut and/or Terry Conners Rink.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Non-U.S. Figure Skating judges may be used to judge some of the events. The selection of all officials will comply with the rules for competitions as set out in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook and in the criteria developed for U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills competitions.

COACHES:

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

ONE coach credential will be issued to each registered athlete.

Coaches must be included within a skater's registration or updated through the skater's EntryEeze registration. Coaches declared at the time of registration will be included on the registration confirmation email. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

REGISTRATION CHECK-IN: All competitors must check in at the Registration Desk upon arrival at the rink. Competitors are to arrive at the rink one hour prior to their scheduled event.

RINK: The main rink ice surface measures 200' x 85'.

EVENTS OFFERED:

COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1st Event Price
Basic 3 - Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$70.00
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$75.00
Excel Free Skate (Beg. – Preliminary Plus)	6.0	\$100.00
No Test – Preliminary Free Skate	6.0	\$100.00
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$60.00
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$65.00
Excel Compulsory Moves, Well Balance Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$100.00
Compete USA – Showcase	6.0	\$100.00

Combined Price for Basic Skills and Free Skate Levels:

One Elements Event and One Program Event at the same level

\$100.00

Combined Price for Excel and Well Balanced Compulsory and Excel and Well Balanced Free Skate Programs:

One Compulsory Event and One Program Event at the same level

\$150.00

Snowplow Sam - Basic 6 Elements

THERE ARE TWO FORMAT OPTIONS FOR THE ELEMENTS EVENT:

1. Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge/referee OR
2. Skater will perform one element at a time in the order listed below (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.
 - Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
SNOWPLOW SAM	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March followed by a two-foot glide and dip • Forward swizzles, 2-3 in a row • Forward snowplow stop • Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
BASIC 1	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward two-foot glide and dip • Forward swizzles, 6-8 in a row • Beginning snowplow stop on one or two feet • Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
BASIC 2	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward one-foot glide (no variations), either foot • Scooter pushes, 2-3 each foot • Moving snowplow stop • Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward • Backward swizzles, 6-8 in a row
BASIC 3	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade • Forward half-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
BASIC 4	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise • Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive • Backward half-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
BASIC 5	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise • Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive • Forward outside three-turn, right and left • Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions • Hockey stop
BASIC 6	1:00 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward inside three-turn, right and left • Mohawk, right to left and left to right • Bunny hop • Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left • Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg and entry position • T-stop, right or left

Basic 3 – 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
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
BASIC 3	1:10 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade • Forward half-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
BASIC 4	1:10 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise • Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive • Backward half-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
BASIC 5	1:10 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise • Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive • Forward outside three-turn, right and left • Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions • Hockey stop
BASIC 6	1:10 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward inside three-turn, right and left • Mohawk, right to left and left to right • Bunny hop • Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left • Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg and entry 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 half-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.
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
PRE-FREE SKATE	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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, one set each direction clockwise and counterclockwise • One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free foot position, minimum 3 revolutions • Mazurka – right or left • Waltz jump
FREE SKATE 1	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes • Backward outside three-turn, 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on a continuous axis • Backward inside three-turn, right and left • Beginning back spin, optional entry and free-foot position, maximum 3 revolutions • Half Lutz • Salchow jump
FREE SKATE 3	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternating mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right • 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
FREE SKATE 4	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward power 3s, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left • Sit spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Half loop jump • Flip jump
FREE SKATE 5	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Backward outside three-turn, mohawk (backward power three-turn), 2-3 sets both directions • Camel spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Waltz jump-loop jump combination • Lutz jump
FREE SKATE 6	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward power pulls, minimum 3 on each foot • Camel, sit spin combination, minimum of 4 revolutions total • Waltz jump-Euler (half loop)-Salchow jump combination • Axel jump; minimum requirement is a clear attempt either stationary or moving

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
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
PRE-FREE SKATE	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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, one set each direction clockwise and counterclockwise • One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free, foot position, minimum 3 revolutions • Mazurka, right or left • Waltz jump • <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump-side toe hop-waltz jump</i>
FREE SKATE 1	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes • 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 • <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump-toe loop jump combination</i>
FREE SKATE 2	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on a continuous axis • Beginning back spin, optional entry and free foot position, maximum 2 revolutions • Half Lutz • Salchow jump • <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination</i>
FREE SKATE 3	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternating mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right • 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 • <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz-loop jump combination</i>
FREE SKATE 4	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward power 3s, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left • Sit spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Half loop jump • Flip jump • <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz-loop or Waltz-Euler-Salchow jump combination</i>
FREE SKATE 5	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Backward outside three-turn, mohawk (backward power three-turn), 2-3 sets both directions • Camel spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Waltz-loop jump combination • Lutz jump
FREE SKATE 6	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative step sequence using a variety of three turns, mohawks and toe steps, half-ice • Camel-sit spin combination spin, minimum of 4 revolutions total • Waltz jump-Euler (half loop)-Salchow jump combination • Axel jump; minimum requirement is a clear attempt either stationary or moving

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 half-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
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program*
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
EXCEL BEGINNER	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waltz Jump • Salchow jump • One-foot upright spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Choreographic step sequence
EXCEL HIGH BEGINNER	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loop jump • Salchow-toe loop jump combination • Sit spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Choreographic step sequence
EXCEL PRE-PRELIMINARY	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flip jump • Loop-loop jump combination • Camel spin, minimum 3 revolutions • Choreographic step sequence
EXCEL PRELIMINARY	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutz jump • Flip-loop jump combination • Camel-sit combination spin, minimum 6 revolutions total • Choreographic step sequence

Well-Balanced Levels Compulsory

FORMAT: To be skated on half-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
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program*
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
NO TEST	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutz jump • Single jump-single jump (no Axel) combination • Spin with one change of position and no change of foot, minimum 6 revolutions total • Choreographic step sequence
PRELIMINARY	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axel jump • Single jump-single jump (may <u>not</u> include Axel) combination • Spin combination with one change of foot, minimum 3 revolutions on each foot • Choreographic step sequence

Excel Free Skate

GENERAL EVENT PARAMETERS:

- Skaters may not 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 to one level higher
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

EXCEL BEGINNER — 1:40 MAX

Learn to Skate USA membership OR full U.S. Figure Skating membership required

JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
Maximum 4 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. Combination jumps permitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waltz jump/toe loop and/or • Salchow/toe loop Sequence permitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waltz jump/ waltz jump (no turns or hops in between) Maximum 2 of any same jump	Maximum 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two upright spins • No change of foot • No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Max Level: Base	Maximum 1 Sequence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

EXCEL HIGH BEGINNER — 1:40 MAX

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
Maximum 5 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front) • Single rotation jumps: toe loop, Salchow, Euler (half loop), loop • Flip, Lutz, and Axel NOT permitted Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences. One 3-jump combination is allowed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump Maximum 2 of any same jump	Maximum 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both spins must be in a single position • No change of foot • No flying entry • Permitted forward spins: upright, sit, camel • Permitted back spins: upright Minimum 3 revolutions Max Level: Base Both spins may be of the same character	Maximum 1 Sequence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

EXCEL PRE-PRELIMINARY — 1:40 MAX

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

*means required element

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<p>Maximum 5 jump elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only single jumps allowed • No single Axels • Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded <p>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed • Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump 	<p>Maximum 2 spins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spin must be in a single position with no change of foot* • One spin may change feet or position, but not both • No flying entry <p>Minimum 3 revolutions</p> <p>Spins must be of a different character</p> <p>Max Level: 1</p>	<p>Maximum 1 Sequence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

EXCEL PRELIMINARY — 2:00 +/- 10 SECONDS

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

*means required element

Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required

JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<p>Maximum 5 jump elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only single jumps allowed • No single Axels • Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded <p>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</p> <p>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump 	<p>Maximum 2 spins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spin must be a camel or layback spin with no change of foot and no change of position* • One spin may change feet and/or position • No flying entry <p>Minimum 3 revolutions</p> <p>Spins must be of a different character</p> <p>Max Level: 1</p>	<p>Maximum 1 Sequence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Full ice o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

EXCEL PRELIMINARY PLUS — 2:00 +/- 10 SECONDS

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

*means required element

Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required

JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<p>Maximum 5 jump elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</p> <p>All single jumps, including the single Axel, are allowed as part of a jump combination or sequence (no double jumps)</p> <p>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump. 	<p>Maximum 2 spins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spin must be in a single position* • No change of foot • No flying entry • One spin may change feet and/or position • No flying entry <p>Minimum 3 revolutions</p> <p>Spins must be of a different character</p> <p>Max Level: 1</p>	<p>Maximum 1 Sequence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Full ice o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

Well-Balanced Free Skate Program

GENERAL EVENT PARAMETERS:

- Skaters may not 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.
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

NO TEST — 1:40 MAX		
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
Max 5 Jump Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only single jumps allowed except single Axel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No single Axels o 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 6103 (E))	Max 1 Sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Step sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Must use one-half the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence If IJS is used, then ChSt

PRE-PRELIMINARY — 1:40 MAX		
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
Max 5 Jump Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All single jumps, including single Axel, allowed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 combination (maximum of 2 single Axels) o 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 an Axel-type jump 	Max 2 Spins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 6103 (E))	Max 1 Sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Step sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Must use one-half the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence If IJS is used, then ChSt

PRELIMINARY — 2:00 +/- 10 SECONDS		
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
Max 5 Jump Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 must be an Axel-type jump or a waltz jump* • All single jumps, including single Axel, allowed. Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (limited to double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Double flip, double Lutz, double Axel, triple and quadruple jumps not allowed o An Axel plus up to two different, allowed double jumps may be repeated once (but not more) as solo jumps or part of a jump sequence or combination o Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded • Max 2 jump combinations or sequences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 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 o Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump 	Max 2 Spins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 6103 (E))	Max 1 Sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Step sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Choreographic step sequence full ice o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence If IJS is used, then ChSt

Showcase Events

Showcase events are open to skaters in the Basic, Free Skate, limited beginner, preliminary and adult bronze levels. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate

United track. Skaters with intellectual disabilities may register for Special Olympics events. 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.

Show costumes are permitted if 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 every 10 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 loss 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. The 6.0 judging system 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 usfigureskating.org.*

Showcase Events

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
BASIC 3-6	Elements only from Basic 1-6 curriculum	Must 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. Half-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: 1:20 max
NO TEST	No prescribed or restricted elements	Must not have passed pre-preliminary free skate or any free dance tests	Time: 1:20 max
PRE-PRELIMINARY	No prescribed or restricted elements	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary or any free dance test	Time: 1:20 max
PRELIMINARY	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: 1:30 max

