



**26<sup>th</sup> Annual Orange Blossom Open Competition**  
**Tampa Bay Skating Club**  
**July 6 – 9, 2017**

The Orange Blossom Open will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website.

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

**ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

**Test level:** Competition level is the highest test passed as of June 1, 2017 in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event. Skaters who placed in the top four in a final round of their last qualifying competition in their divisions must move up one level, except for novice and higher.

**Age restrictions/requirements:** Skaters entering juvenile free skate events (Well Balanced Program) must be under 14 years of age at the close of entries, June 1, 2017. Skaters entering open juvenile free skate events (Well Balanced Program), must be at least 14 years of age at the close of entries.

**Basic Skills:** Please refer to page 20 of this announcement for Eligibility

Skaters entering beginner–pre-juvenile events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

**RULES:**

1. Sanctioned by United States Figure Skating and conducted in association with United States Figure Skating rules governing non-qualifying competitions as set forth in the 2017 Official US Figure Skating Rulebook for the 2017 - 2018 competitive season.
2. The Tampa Bay Skating Club and Tampa Bay Skating Academy accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition; competitors assume the risk of competing in accordance with U.S. Figure Skating Rule 1600.
3. 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 competition.
4. The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) reserves the right to limit the number of competitors in each flight and in each category, to combine or divide groups, and in events where fewer than two (2) competitors apply, to eliminate the category.
5. Skaters will be notified if an event is canceled or if their entry was received after the full number of entries for their requested event has been filled. Entries will be processed in the order they are received.

6. A schedule of events will be posted on the Entryeze Orange Blossom Open page and a link to this will be found on the TBSC ([www.tampabayskatingclub.org](http://www.tampabayskatingclub.org)) 2 weeks prior to competition. Skaters will be notified by email once this schedule is posted. The schedule is subject to change; refer back often.

**ENTRIES: Please note entry policies and deadlines!**

Entry to the competition is handled online via Entryeze at <http://comp.entryeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=88>. A link to register is also located on the TBSC website at [www.tampabayskatingclub.org](http://www.tampabayskatingclub.org). Deadline for entry is **11:59pm Saturday, May 27, 2017**. The Orange Blossom Open Local Operating Committee (LOC) will limit entries at each level and will close entries early if spaces for particular level(s) are filled. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Entrants are advised to enter early. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the LOC, and will require an additional **late entry fee of \$50.00**. There will be a **\$25 fee** assessed to changes made to entries after the entry deadline has passed. **Please confirm all events and skating levels with coaches prior to registering**. No refunds will be granted except for events eliminated by the LOC.

**ENTRY FEES:**

**IJS Juvenile\*, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior and Adult Gold Events:**

First IJS Event: \$115\*

Second IJS Event: \$65

\*Juvenile Short will be IJS

**Introductory Level Free Skate (Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile, Test Track and Adults) All non IJS**

First Non IJS Event \$90

Additional Non IJS Events \$50.00

**Basic Skills and No Test**

First Basic Skills Event: \$55

Additional No Test/Basic Skills Skate Event \$ 35

Basic Skills Team Event: \$75.00 per team

Basic Skills Membership Fee\*: \$15

\*This is only for Basic Skills competitors who are NOT current USFS or Basic Skills Members: \$15 covers membership fees for all Basic Skills events entered

Late Fee/Returned Check Fee \$50

CHANGES after entry deadline \$50

**ENTRY FEE WAIVER – The entry fee is waived for USFS envelope A, B, and C athletes for their second event. Please contact competition Chair to register.**

**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$50 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

**FACILITIES:** All events will be held at the Tampa Bay Skating Academy, 255 Forest Lakes Blvd., Oldsmar, FL 34677. The arena has twin ice surfaces measuring 85' x 200' each, with rounded corners and hockey barriers. The Academy has locker rooms, a snack bar, pro shop, and ample seating areas. Visit [www.tbbsa.com](http://www.tbbsa.com) for more information about the facility.

**MUSIC:** All music **must be submitted** on a CD; **no CD-RW, cassette tapes or iPod/MP3s** will be accepted. Please note that the music will be played per US Figure Skating qualifying competition standards. Program must be the only music on the CD. The official competition music must be turned in at the time of registration. **Competitors are reminded to have back-up mu-**

**CDs readily available prior to their event(s).** CDs will be available for pick-up shortly concluding each event. Every reasonable care will be given to submitted CDs, however it is not the responsibility of TBSC or the LOC to mail CDs that are not picked up by the conclusion of the competition, nor does either party assume responsibility for damaged or lost CDs.

**LIABILITY:** U.S. Figure Skating, (Tampa Bay Skating Club), and (Tampa Bay Skating Academy) 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 Orange Blossom Open will utilize the **International Judging Systems (IJS)** for Freeskate events Juvenile and above including Adult Gold. The 6.0 judging system will be used for all other events including Basic Skills, Test Track, Adult, Team Challenge event and Solo Dance events.

**PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT:** If you are registering for an IJS event, you are required to complete the Planned Program Content form **by Monday, June 20, 2017**. This form can be found on the Members Only section (Event Manager) of the USFS website <https://www.usfsaonline.org> **A late fee may apply.**

**REGISTRATION:** Registration will begin on Thursday, July 6, 2017 30 minutes prior to practice ice and remain open throughout the entire competition. The registration table will be located in the lobby of TBSA. Please register promptly upon arrival.

**PRACTICE ICE:** Practice Ice will be available beginning Thursday, July , 6 and throughout the rest of the competition (based on the schedule of the competition), on a first-come-first-served basis. Skaters will be able to choose their own practice ice sessions via [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com), but you **MUST** indicate the number of sessions you want on the Practice Ice Form online when you register, and you **MUST** pay for them with your entry form when you register online. You will receive an email with a PIN number in order to access your practice ice records and select your sessions. Practice ice will be **\$15 if you pre-order** the sessions. We will allow additional practice ice sales online for \$18 per session after the schedule has been posted and those that pre-registered for their sessions have had time to select their sessions. Reservations may be made for 1 session per event. Additional Practice Ice may be available for purchase during the competition and will cost **\$20** at the Registration Desk. **Practice ice fees are non-refundable.**

**PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:** Individual videotaping will be permitted in designated areas **ONLY**. Only battery-operated cameras will be permitted with **NO TRIPODS. NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY, PLEASE!** You may only video your skater, not the entire flight.

**AWARDS:** Medals will be awarded for 1st through 4th place winners in each event. Skaters may collect their medal in the registration area anytime following the posting of results for their event. Trophies will be awarded for events with final rounds only, for 1st-4th place if there are enough entries.

### **CRITIQUES**

Individual critiques will be offered for the short and Free Skate programs of Juvenile through Senior skaters. Sign up for critiques will only be available during registration. Critiques will be open only to skaters and their coaches. No parents are allowed. Please check-in for critiques at the registration desk at least one hour prior to your event. Critiques will include one copy of your protocol. Additional copies may be purchased at the awards table.

### **FINAL ROUNDS**

If numbers warrant, there will be final rounds for Juvenile and above on Sunday, July 9th. The top two skaters from each qualifying group in their Freeskate event will automatically qualify for final rounds. The remainder of the field will be determined by highest FS point totals. The exact number of skaters in the final rounds will be decided after the close of entries, depending on the final number of skaters in each event.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES:** An official bulletin board will be maintained at the registration table. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

## **COMPETITION CONTACT INFORMATION**

Rachel Saul, Competition Chair: [rachelsaul@gmail.com](mailto:rachelsaul@gmail.com)

Rachel Duckworth, Test Chair: [rachel403@gmail.com](mailto:rachel403@gmail.com)

Tampa Bay SC website: [www.tampabayaskatingclub.org](http://www.tampabayaskatingclub.org)

All competition inquiries should be made to the club, please do not call the Tampa Bay Skating Academy for issues regarding the 2017 Annual Orange Blossom Open competition.

## **INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:**

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Compliance

In order to be granted access to work within U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities, each coach must complete the following requirements on an annual basis by July 1:

- A. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating - either through a member club or as an individual member;
- B. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee of \$30 and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen.
- C. Must complete the appropriate CER courses (A,B, C or D) depending on the highest level of students being coached as of July 1. See rule MR 5.12.
- D. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

For Basic Skills ONLY coaches - Any person, 18 and older, instructing in a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills Program must have successfully passed the annual background screen and be registered as a Basic Skills instructor member.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.

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. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without compliance is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to:

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaching%20Compliance%20Toolkit.pdf>

**\*A test session will be available on Thursday, July 6. For more details on the the test session will be made available closer to the competition. Please be advised that the test session registration is only available on Entryeze. \***

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Hampton Inn & Suites**, 813-818-7202 4017 Tampa Rd. Oldsmar FL 34677

Website: <http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/hampton-inn-and-suites-tampa-north-west-oldsmar-TPAOMHX/about/index.html>

**Hilton Garden Inn**, 813-891-9990 4052 Tampa Rd. Oldsmar FL 34677

Website: <http://hiltongardeninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/hilton-garden-inn-tampa-northwest-oldsmar-TPANWGI/index.html>

**Holiday Inn Express**, 813-854-5080 3990 Tampa Rd. Oldsmar FL 34677

Website: <http://www.hiexpress.com/hotels/us/en/oldsmar/oldfl/hoteldetail>

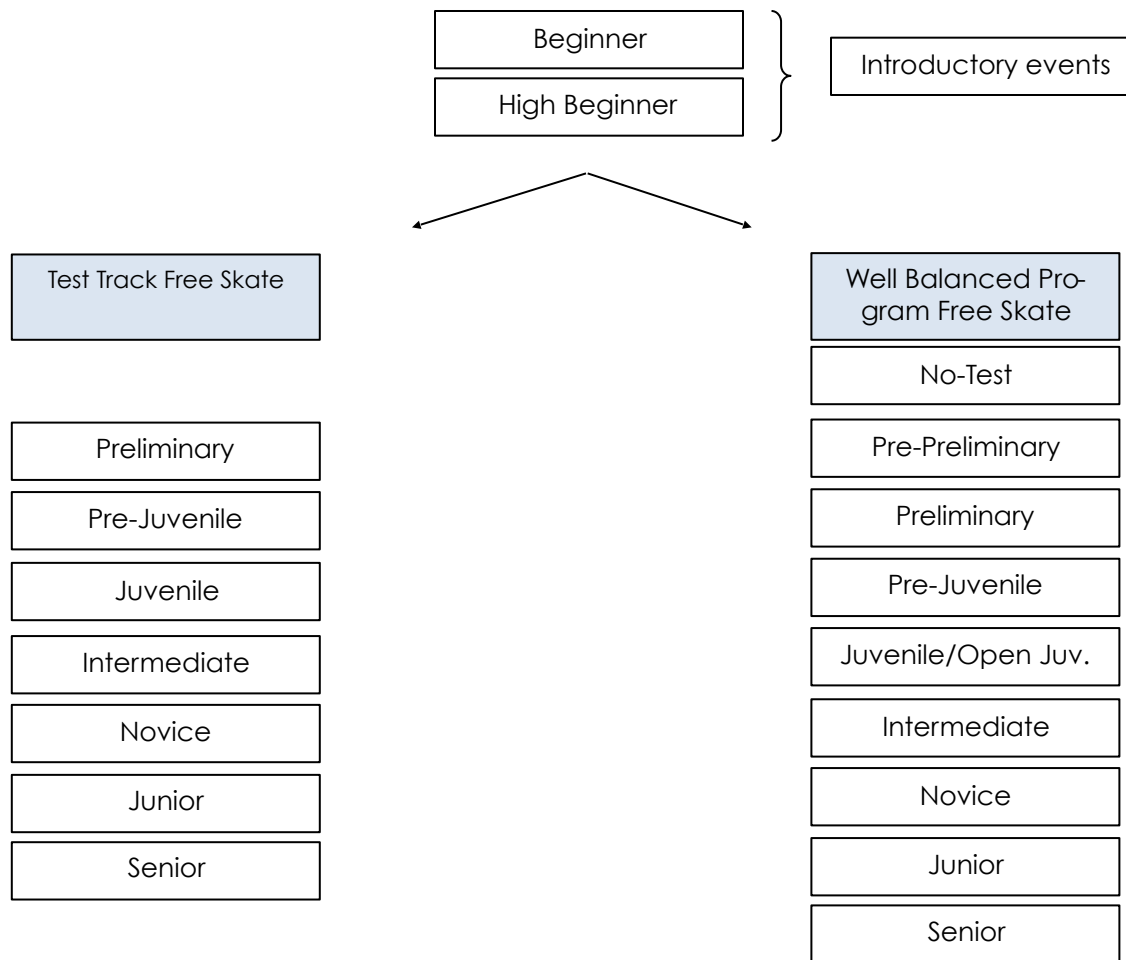
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## COMPETITION EVENTS

### SINGLES FREE SKATING EVENTS

See current rulebook or click [here](#) for current rules and requirements.

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#### Free Skating/Short Programs

##### General event parameters:

1. Event level is based on age, and Free Skate and Moves in the Field test levels as listed below and as found in the referenced USFS rule.
2. Skaters may compete at their test level or one level higher.
3. All Short programs should be developed according to Rule 4070.
4. All Free Skate programs should be “well balanced programs” (WBP) as described in Rule 4090

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition



## EVENT: 2016-17 Test Track Free Skate – Pre-Preliminary through Senior levels

### General event parameters:

1. Skaters may not enter both a Well-Balanced Free Skate or Introductory Level event and a Test Track Free Skate event at the same nonqualifying competition.
2. Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.
3. 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.
4. Minimum number of spin revolutions are in ( ) following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.
5. The following deductions will be taken:
  - 0.1 from each mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
  - 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra element included.
  - 0.1 from the technical mark for any spin that is less than the required minimum revolutions.

<b>Pre-Preliminary Rule 4270</b>	Max 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop only. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins: 2 spins of a different nature, one position only, no change of foot, not flying entry. (Min 3 revolutions) Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	1:40 Max
<b>Preliminary Rule 4260</b>	Max 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins: One spin in one position, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min 3 revs) and One consisting of a front scratch to back scratch, exit on spinning foot not mandatory (Min 3 revs on each foot). Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	1:40 Max
<b>Pre-Juvenile Rule 4250</b>	Max 5 jump elements: Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins: one spin in one position, no change of foot (min 3 revs) and one combination spin: forward camel spin to forward sit spin, change of foot optional (min 6 revs combined in forward sit and camel positions). Spins may not fly. One step sequence fully utilizing ice.	2:00 +/-10
<b>Juvenile Rule 4240</b>	Max 5 jump elements: Any single jumps with not more than 1 ½ rotations (Axel permitted) Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type of jump. Max 2 spins: One spin in one position, no change of foot (min 4 revs in position) and one combination spin with one change of foot and at least one change of position, must include 2 of the basic spin positions, (Min 4 revs on each foot). Only solo spin may fly. One step sequence straight fully utilizing ice surface.	2:15 +/-10
<b>Intermediate Rule 4230</b>	Max 6 jump elements: Any single jumps. Double jumps permitted: double Salchow and double toe loop. Max 3 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins of a different nature: One must be a flying spin (Min 5 revs), One must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (min 4 revs on each foot). One Step sequence straight fully utilizing ice surface.	2:40 +/-10
<b>Novice Test Rule 4220</b>	Max 7 jump elements for men and 6 for ladies: Any single jumps. Double jumps permitted: double Salchow, double toe loop, and double loop. Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 3 spins of a different nature: One must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (Min 5 revolutions on each foot). The other spins are the option of the skater (Min 6 revs) All spins may fly. One step or spiral sequence.	Ladies 3:00 +/-10 Men 3:30 +/-10

<b>Junior Test Rule 4210</b>	See rule #4220 Max 8 jump elements for men and 7 for ladies: Any single jumps. Double jumps permitted: double Salchow, double toe loop, double loop and double flip. Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 3 spins of a different nature: One must be a spin in one position (6 revs), one a flying spin (6 revs) and one a combination spin consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (Min 2 continuous revs in each basic position and min. 5 revs on each foot). One step sequence of advanced difficulty, covering the full ice surface. See rule	Ladies 3:30 +/-10 Men 4:00 +/-10
<b>Senior Test Rule 4200</b>	Max 8 jump elements for men and 7 for ladies. Any single jumps. Must include at least four different double jumps, one must be a double Lutz. No triple jumps permitted. Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 3 spins of a different nature: One must be a spin in one position (min 6 revs), one a flying spin (min 6 revs) and one a spin combination consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (Min 2 continuous revs in each basic position and min 5 revolutions on each foot). Men: Two different step	Ladies 4:00 +/-10 Men 4:30 +/-10

## **EVENT: 2016-17 Well Balance Program Free Skate**

Events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>USFSA Rule</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>No Test Free Skate</b>	No Standard USFS Free Skate Tests	4280	1:40 max
<b>Pre-Preliminary Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4270	1:40 max
<b>Preliminary Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Preliminary Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4260	1:30 +/- 10 sec
<b>Pre-Juvenile Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4250	2:00 +/- 10 sec
<b>Open Juvenile Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Juvenile FS test. See Eligibility/Test level	4240	2:15 +/- 10 sec
<b>Juvenile (IJS)</b>	Juvenile FS test. See Eligibility/Test level	4240	2:15 +/- 10 sec
<b>Intermediate Free Skate (IJS)</b>	Intermediate Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4230	2:30 +/-10 sec
<b>Novice Free Skate (IJS)</b>	Novice Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4220	Ladies: 3:00 +/- 10 sec Men: 3:30 +/- 10 sec
<b>Junior Free Skate (IJS)</b>	Junior Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4210	Ladies: 3:30 +/- 10 sec Men: 4:00 +/- 10 sec

<b>Senior Free Skate (IJS)</b>	Senior Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4200	Ladies: 4:00 +/- 10 sec. Men: 4:30 +/- 10 sec
<b>Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Refer to Rule 4600 for Age, Test and element requirements.	4600	1:40 maximum
<b>Adult Bronze Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Refer to Rule 4590 for Age, Test and element requirements.	4590	1:50 maximum
<b>Adult Silver Free Skate 6.0 scoring</b>	Refer to Rule 4580 for Age, Test and element requirements.	4580	2:10 maximum
<b>Adult Gold Free Skate (IJS)</b>	Refer to Rule 4570 for Age, Test and element requirements.	4570	2:40 maximum

### **SINGLES SHORT PROGRAM**

The short program events listed below will be skated. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.

### **EVENT: 2016-17 Singles Short Program Skate**

Events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>Rule</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>Juvenile Open 6.0 scoring</b>	Juvenile Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level . No double axel or triple jumps allowed	4230	2:00 maximum
<b>Juvenile Short (IJS)</b>	Juvenile Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level No double axel or triple jumps allowed	4230	2:00 maximum
<b>Intermediate Short (IJS)</b>	Intermediate Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4230	2:00 maximum
<b>Novice Short (IJS)</b>	Novice Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4220	2:30 maximum
<b>Junior Short (IJS)</b>	Junior Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4210	2:40 +/-10
<b>Senior Short (IJS)</b>	Senior Free Skate Test. See Eligibility/Test level	4200	2:40 +/-10



## **EVENT: Compulsory Moves Pre-Preliminary - Senior & Adult**

### General event parameters:

1. Basic Skills – Juvenile and all Adult: Elements skated on ½ ice
2. Intermediate – Senior: Elements skated on full-ice
3. Elements may be performed only once
4. Music is not allowed

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
No-Test	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)</li> <li>• Solo spin - sit or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Spiral sequence, must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included.</li> </ul>
Pre – Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Toe Loop</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)</li> <li>3. Sit spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Spiral sequence with one forward spiral and one backward spiral (any edge)</li> </ol>
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Lutz</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>3. Back upright spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Forward inside spiral</li> </ol>
Pre – Juvenile	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single jump (may include Axel)</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>3. Layback spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence - circular</li> </ol>
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single or double/single</li> <li>3. Layback spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – circular</li> </ol>
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double Salchow or double toe loop</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single or double/single</li> <li>3. Flying spin, minimum five revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double loop</li> <li>2. Jump combination: double/single or double/double</li> <li>3. Flying spin - minimum five revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double flip</li> <li>2. Jump combination: double/double or triple/double</li> <li>3. Combination spin - minimum 10 revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>
Senior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double Lutz</li> <li>2. Jump combination: double/double or triple/double</li> <li>3. Combination spin - minimum 10 revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>

Adult Beginner	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Forward crossovers (Min. 5 consecutive)</li> <li>2. Waltz jump</li> <li>3. Two foot upright spin</li> <li>4. Forward spiral (any edge)</li> </ol>
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Backward crossovers (Min. 5 consecutive)</li> <li>2. Waltz jump</li> <li>3. Forward upright spin (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>4. Forward outside spiral</li> </ol>
Adult Bronze	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Salchow</li> <li>2. Waltz jump – toe loop combination jump</li> <li>3. Sit spin (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>4. Spiral sequence (Min. 2 spirals)</li> </ol>
Adult Silver	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single loop</li> <li>2. Single/single jump combination</li> <li>3. Sit spin (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> <li>4. Straight line step sequence</li> </ol>
Adult Gold	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Lutz or Axel</li> <li>2. Single/single or single/double jump combination</li> <li>3. Camel spin (Min. 4 revolutions)</li> <li>4. Straight line step sequence</li> </ol>
Masters Intermediate/Novice	2:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Axel, double Salchow, double toe loop or double loop</li> <li>2. Jump combination (double/double, single/double or double/single) that may include double Salchow, double toe loop or double loop and any single jump including Axel</li> <li>3. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 6 revolutions)</li> <li>4. Straight line step sequence</li> </ol>
Masters Junior/Senior	2:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choice of any double jump</li> <li>2. Jump combination that may include any double jump</li> <li>3. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 8 revolutions)</li> <li>4. Straight line step sequence</li> </ol>

## **EVENT: Jumps Challenge - Pre-Preliminary - Adult**

### **General event parameters:**

1. Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
2. Pre-juvenile and lower and Adult Silver and lower will be skated ½ ice; Juvenile – Senior and Adult Gold and higher will be skated on full ice
3. Jumps with an “\*” must be preceded with connecting steps (intermediate – senior)

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)</li> <li>2. ½ flip or ½ Lutz</li> <li>3. Single Salchow</li> </ol>
High Beginner	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)</li> <li>2. Single Salchow</li> <li>3. Jump combination – waltz jump-toe loop</li> </ol>
No-Test	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single toe loop</li> <li>2. Single loop</li> <li>3. Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)</li> </ol>

Pre – Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single toe loop</li> <li>2. Single flip</li> <li>3. Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)</li> </ol>
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single flip</li> <li>2. Single Lutz</li> <li>3. Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)</li> </ol>
Pre – Juvenile	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel</li> <li>2. Single or double jump</li> <li>3. Jump combination – single/single (no Axel)</li> </ol>
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel</li> <li>2. Double Salchow</li> <li>3. Jump combination – single/single or double/single (no Axel)</li> </ol>
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel</li> <li>2. Double loop*</li> <li>3. Jump combination – double/single (no Axel)</li> </ol>
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double loop</li> <li>2. Double flip*</li> <li>3. Jump combination – double/double (may be double Axel)</li> </ol>
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choice of double or triple jump</li> <li>2. Double or triple flip*</li> <li>3. Jump combination – double/double (may be double Axel)</li> </ol>
Senior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choice of double or triple jump</li> <li>2. Double or triple Lutz*</li> <li>3. Jump combination – double/double or triple/double (may be double Axel)</li> </ol>
Adult Beginner	1:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bunny Hop</li> <li>2. Mazurka or ballet jump</li> </ol>
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Waltz or toe loop jump</li> <li>2. ½ flip, ½ Lutz or ½ loop</li> </ol>
Adult Bronze	1:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Salchow</li> <li>2. Single toe loop</li> <li>3. Any single jump + single toe loop combination (No Axels allowed)</li> </ol>
Adult Silver	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single flip</li> <li>2. Single loop</li> <li>3. Single/single combination (Axel is permitted)</li> </ol>
Adult Gold	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel</li> <li>2. Single Lutz</li> <li>3. Single/single or single/double jump combination (may include any single jump, double toe loop or double Salchow)</li> </ol>
Masters Intermediate/Novice	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Axel</li> <li>2. Double Salchow , double toe loop or double loop</li> <li>3. Jump combination (double/double, single/double or double/single) that may include double Salchow , double toe loop or double loop and any single jump including Axel</li> </ol>
Masters Junior/Senior	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double loop or double flip</li> <li>2. Double Lutz</li> <li>3. Jump combination that may include any double jump</li> </ol>

## EVENT: Spins Challenge - Pre-Preliminary - Adult

General event parameters:

1. Spins may be skated in any order. Connecting steps are allowed, but will not be taken into consideration in scoring. Spins may not be repeated. Only required elements may be included.
2. All events are skated on ½ ice.
3. Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Beginner	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>2. Upright two-foot spin (3)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
High Beginner	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>2. Upright two-foot spin (3)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
No-Test	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>2. Upright two-foot spin (3)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Pre – Preliminary	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>2. Upright back scratch spin (3)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Preliminary	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Forward scratch to back scratch spin (3)</li> <li>2. Combination spin with no change of foot (4)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Pre – Juvenile	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Camel spin (3)</li> <li>2. Combination spin – camel to sit spin; no change of foot (6)</li> <li>3. Forward to backward scratch spin (3 per foot)</li> </ol>
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sit spin (4)</li> <li>2. Combination spin – with change of foot; optional change of position (4 per foot)</li> <li>3. Girls – layback spin (4); Boys – camel spin (4)</li> </ol>
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Flying camel spin (5)</li> <li>2. Sit spin to backward sit spin (4 per foot)</li> <li>3. Combination spin – change of foot &amp; change of position (4 per foot)</li> </ol>
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choice of camel, sit or layback spin (6)</li> <li>2. Camel spin to backward camel spin (4 per foot in position)</li> <li>3. Combination spin – change of foot &amp; two changes of position (2 per position &amp; 5 per foot)</li> </ol>
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Flying sit spin or flying reverse sit spin (6)</li> <li>2. Solo spin of choice (6) – may not fly</li> <li>3. Combination spin – with change of foot &amp; utilizing all three positions (2 per position &amp; 5 per foot)</li> </ol>
Senior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Flying spin of choice (6)</li> <li>2. Solo spin of choice (6) – may not fly</li> <li>3. Combination spin – with change of foot &amp; utilizing all three positions (2 per position &amp; 5 per foot)</li> </ol>

Adult Beginner	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pivot</li> <li>2. Two-foot upright spin (2)</li> </ol>
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. One-foot upright spin (3)</li> <li>2. Two-foot upright spin (3)</li> </ol>
Adult Bronze	1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. One-foot upright spin (4)</li> <li>2. One-foot back spin (3)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>
Adult Silver	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Camel spin (3)</li> <li>2. Layback, sideways leaning or sit spin (4)</li> <li>3. Combination spin with at least one change of position, no change of foot (3 in each position)</li> </ol>
Adult Gold	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Solo spin, no change of foot (4)</li> <li>2. Second solo spin, different from the first; change of foot optional (4)</li> <li>3. Combination spin with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 each foot)</li> </ol>
Masters Intermediate/Novice	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 6 revolutions)</li> <li>2. Second solo spin, different from the first; change of foot optional (4) May have a flying entry</li> <li>3. Combination spin that may have more than one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 each foot)</li> </ol>
Masters Junior/Senior	1:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Solo spin of skater's choice (Min. 8 revolutions)</li> <li>2. Solo spin with a flying entry</li> <li>3. Combination spin that may have more than one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 each foot). May have a flying entry</li> </ol>

### **EVENT: Pairs Free Skating**

Pairs events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.

## Pairs

1. Requirements include tests passed for BOTH partners in both Moves in the Field AND Pairs.
2. Pair events will be offered both for the Long Program and the Short Program (Section 5000) as listed below.
3. All times for Short Programs are maximum times & Free Skating Programs are as listed, +/- 10 seconds.
4. ***Athletes and coaches should pay close attention to changes made at the May 2016 Governing Council meeting regarding pairs requirements for Pairs WBP and Short Program elements as well as consult the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.***

## **EVENT: Pairs Well-Balanced Free Skate**

LEVEL	REQUIREMENTS	TIME
Pre-Juvenile #5250	Pre-Juvenile Test	2:00 +/-10
Juvenile -- IJS #5240	Juvenile Pair Test	2:30 +/-10
Intermediate -- IJS #5230	Intermediate Pair Test	3:00 +/-10 sec
Novice -- IJS #5220	Novice Pair Test	3:30 +/-10 sec
Junior -- IJS #5210	Junior Pair Test	4:00 +/-10 sec
Senior -- IJS #5200	Senior Pair Test	4:30 +/-10 sec
Adult Bronze	21 years and over. Rule #5550	2:10 MAX
Adult Silver	21 years and over. Rule #5540	2:40 MAX
Adult Gold	21 years and over. Rule #5530	3:40 MAX

## **EVENT: Pairs Well-Balanced Short Program**

LEVEL	REQUIREMENTS	TIME
Intermediate -- IJS #5230	Intermediate Pair Test	2:30 max
Novice -- IJS #5220	Novice Pair Test	2:50 max
Junior -- IJS #5210	Junior Pair Test	2:40 +/- 10 sec

Senior -- IJS #5200	Senior Pair Test	2:50 +/- 10 sec
Adult Bronze	21 years and over. Rule #5550	2:10 MAX
Adult Silver	21 years and over. Rule #5540	2:40 MAX
Adult Gold	21 years and over. Rule #5530	3:40 MAX

## **EVENT: Showcase Events – Dramatic Entertainment Events**

### Format:

- Programs should express intense emotional connection and investment in the music, choreography and theme concept through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions. The entire gamut of emotions may be expressed including intense joy and/or introspectiveness.
- Props and scenery ARE permitted.

### General event parameters:

1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed, as listed in the table below. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
2. The determination of level will be based upon test requirement at the entry deadline.
3. **Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org), under “Programs” on the National Showcase page.**

### **Dramatic Entertainment Levels:**

Except for Adult events, skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Must meet requirements*</b> Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	<b>Must not have passed</b> Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher	<b>Age</b>	<b>Time</b>
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate	Pre Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No min. age <b>(max age 20)</b>	1:40 max
Pre Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No min. age <b>(max age 20)</b>	1:40 max
Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	13 and under	2:10 max
Teen	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	14-17	2:10 max
Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	17 and under	2:10 max

Young Adult	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	18-20	2:10 max
Novice	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance		2:10 max
Junior	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance		2:40 max
Senior	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance			2:40 max
<b>Event</b>	<b>Must meet requirements*</b> Must have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered, standard, adult, or masters track)	<b>Must not have passed</b> Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered; standard, adult, or masters track) or higher		<b>Age</b>
Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance OR Complete Pre-Bronze Dance Test**	Adult Silver Free Skate Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR Any Pre-Silver Dance**	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Silver	Adult Silver Free Skate Juvenile FS (prior to 10/1/94) Pre Juvenile FS Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/2000) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR One Pre-Silver Dance**	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile FS (On/after 10/1/94) Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance Bronze FD (prior to 9/2/2000) 4 <sup>th</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR Any Pre-Gold Dance**	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR One Pre-Gold Dance**	Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91) Junior Free Dance Silver FD (Prior to 9/2/2000) 5 <sup>th</sup> Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77) OR Complete Pre-Gold Dance Test**	21 and older	1:40 max

\*Skaters must compete at their test level or one level higher, per the above chart. For Basic Skills levels and events, please refer to the U.S. Figure Skating Compete USA Competition Manual for Showcase event levels, elements, qualifications, program lengths and descriptions. For events offered, refer to the competition announcement.

\*\*IMPORTANT- As of May 1, 2017, Pattern Dance Tests will no longer qualify adult athletes to compete in Showcase Events. Athletes currently competing based on pattern dance tests will need to pass a qualifying free skate or free dance test (solo, partnered, standard, adult, or masters) to compete in showcase events after April 30, 2017.

## **EVENT: Showcase Events – Light Entertainment Events**

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition





Format:

- Showcase program that should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions.
- Props and scenery are permitted.

General event parameters:

1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
2. The determination of level will be based upon test requirement at the entry deadline.
3. Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org), under "Programs" on the National Showcase page.

### Light Entertainment Levels:

Except for Adult events, skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.

Event	Must meet requirements*	Must not have passed	Age	Time
Preliminary	Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher		
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate	Pre Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age <b>(max age 20)</b>	1:40 max
Pre Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age <b>(max age 20)</b>	1:40 max
Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	13 and under	2:10 max
Teen	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	14-17	2:10 max
Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	17 and under	2:10 max
Young Adult	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	18-20	2:10 max
Novice	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance		2:10 max
Junior	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance		2:40 max

Senior	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance			2:40 max
<b>Event</b>	<b>Must meet requirements*</b> Must have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered, standard, adult, or masters track)	<b>Must not have passed</b> Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered; standard, adult, or masters track) or higher	<b>Age</b>	<b>Time</b>
Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance OR Complete Pre-Bronze Dance Test**	Adult Silver Free Skate Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR Any Pre-Silver Dance**	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Silver	Adult Silver Free Skate Juvenile FS (prior to 10/1/94) Pre Juvenile FS Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/2000) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR One Pre-Silver Dance**	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile FS (On/after 10/1/94) Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance Bronze FD (prior to 9/2/2000) 4 <sup>th</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR Any Pre-Gold Dance**	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR One Pre-Gold Dance**	Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91) Junior Free Dance Silver FD (Prior to 9/2/2000) 5 <sup>th</sup> Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77) OR Complete Pre-Gold Dance Test**	21 and older	1:40 max

## EVENT: Showcase Events – Duet Events

Format:

- Duets are theatrical or artistic performances by any competitors.
- Props and scenery ARE permitted.

General event parameters:

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition



1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
2. The determination of level will be based upon test requirement at the entry deadline

Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org), under "Programs" on the National Showcase page.

### Duet Event Levels:

Except for Adult events, skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Must meet requirements*</b> Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	<b>Must not have passed</b> Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher	<b>Age</b>	<b>Time</b>
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate	Pre Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age <b>(max age 20)</b>	1:40 max
Pre Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age <b>(max age 20)</b>	1:40 max
Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	13 and under	2:10 max
Teen	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	14-17	2:10 max
Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate OR Intermediate Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	17 and under	2:10 max
Young Adult	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	18-20	2:10 max
Novice	Novice Free Skate OR Novice Free Dance	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance		2:10 max
Junior	Junior Free Skate OR Junior Free Dance	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance		2:40 max
Senior	Senior Free Skate OR Senior Free Dance			2:40 max
<b>Event</b>	<b>Must meet requirements*</b> Must have passed Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered, standard, adult, or masters track)	<b>Must not have passed</b> Free Skate or Dance Test (solo or partnered; standard, adult, or masters track) or higher	<b>Age</b>	<b>Time</b>

Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze Free Skate Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance OR Complete Pre-Bronze Dance Test**	Adult Silver Free Skate Pre Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/2000) OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR Any Pre-Silver Dance**	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Silver	Adult Silver Free Skate Juvenile FS (prior to 10/1/94) Pre Juvenile FS Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance Preliminary FD (prior to 9/2/2000) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR One Pre-Silver Dance**	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile FS (On/after 10/1/94) Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance Bronze FD (prior to 9/2/2000) 4 <sup>th</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR Any Pre-Gold Dance**	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance 3 <sup>rd</sup> Figure (prior to 10/1/77) OR One Pre-Gold Dance**	Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91) Junior Free Dance Silver FD (Prior to 9/2/2000) 5 <sup>th</sup> Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77) OR Complete Pre-Gold Dance Test**	21 and older	1:40 max

*\*The determination of level will be based upon test requirements at the entry deadline. For the U.S. Adult Championships and adult sectional championships, skaters must meet the test requirements for the level at which they want to compete, and rules 2540-2552 apply. For all other competitions, skaters must compete at their test level or one level higher, per the above chart*

## ADULT SOLO PATTERN DANCE

### General event parameters:

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

LEVEL	2016-2017 SELECTED ADULT SOLO PATTERN DANCES
<b>Adult Bronze</b>	<b>Ten Fox, Willow Waltz</b> Must not have passed more than two of the Pre-Silver dances
<b>Adult Pre-Silver</b>	<b>European Waltz, Foxtrot</b> Must not have passed more than two of the Silver dances
<b>Adult Silver</b>	<b>Silver Tango, Rocker Foxtrot</b> Must not have passed more than two of the Pre-Gold dances
<b>Adult Pre-Gold</b>	<b>Kilian, Blues</b> Must not have passed more than two of the Gold dances

<b>Adult Gold</b>	<b>Viennese Waltz, Argentine Tango</b> Must not have passed any of the International dances
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**COUPLES DANCE (Partnered)**

For couples dance events, the couple is composed of one lady and one man.

**Pattern Dance (Partnered)**

Couples will skate 2 dances as listed for the 2016-17 season.

Level	Pattern Dances
Pre-Juvenile	Rhythm Blues, Canasta Tango
Juvenile	Fourteenstep, Willow Waltz
Intermediate	European Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot
Novice	Viennese Waltz, Blues
Adult Centennial	Foxtrot, Tango
Adult Pre-Bronze	Canasta Tango, Swing Dance
Adult Bronze	Hickory Hoedown, Fiesta Tango
Adult Pre-Silver	Ten-Fox, European Waltz
Adult Silver	European Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot
Adult Pre-Gold	Tango, Blues
Adult Gold	Viennese Waltz, Silver Samba

**Couples Free Dance (Partnered)**

Couples will skate elements for the 2016-17 season

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Pre Juvenile	2:00+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Juvenile	2:15+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Intermediate	2:30+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Novice	3:00+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Junior	3:30+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Senior	4:00+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Adult Pre-Gold	3:10 max	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Adult Gold	3:10 max	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>

**Couples Short Dance (Partnered)**  
**Couples will skate elements for the 2016-17 season**

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Junior	2:50+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>
Senior	2:50+/-10 sec	Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>

## 2017 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series Events

The 2017 Orange Blossom Open is a participating competition within the 2017 Solo Dance Series.

*The solo pattern dance event, solo combined event and shadow dance events are being offered as part of the 2017 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series and will be conducted in accordance with the 2017 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479>. Please refer to the 2017 Solo Dance Series handbook for the current Series rules, levels and event requirements that will be in effect for this competition.*

**You do not need to be a registered participant in the 2017 Solo Dance Series to participate in these events.**

### 2017 SOLO DANCE SERIES EVENTS BEING OFFERED:

**Event: Solo Pattern Dance Event**

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition



The solo pattern dance event is comprised of two dances at each level. This event is being offered at the preliminary, pre-bronze, bronze, pre-silver, silver, pre-gold, gold and international levels. All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above of their highest completed dance test. The test level is determined by a skater completing all of the dance tests within that level. Test level may be either standard or solo dance. Adult dance, adult solo dance, master's dance and master's solo dance do not fulfill the testing requirements for this event.

Level		Dances
Preliminary	No Test or passed Preliminary	Canasta Tango & Dutch Waltz
Pre-Bronze	Passed Preliminary or Pre-Bronze	Swing Dance & Fiesta Tango
Bronze	Passed Pre-Bronze or Bronze	Hickory Hoedown & Ten Fox
Pre-Silver	Passed Bronze or Pre-Silver	European Waltz & Fourteen Step
Silver	Passed Pre-Silver or Silver	American Waltz & Rocker Foxtrot
Pre-Gold	Passed Silver or Pre-Gold	Starlight & Paso Doble
Gold	Passed Pre-Gold, or Gold	Westminster Waltz & Quickstep
International	Passed Gold or International	Yankee Polka & Rhumba

Refer to the 2017 Solo Dance Series Handbook for the solo pattern dance event rules, test requirements and details found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479>

## **Event: Solo Combined Event**

All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above of their highest completed dance test. The test level is determined by a skater completing all of the dance tests within that level. The solo combined dance event is comprised of both of the following:

1.) **JUVENILE, INTERMEDIATE, NOVICE:** One solo pattern dance chosen by the referee out of two possible dances as selected by U.S. Figure Skating. This dance will not be posted until the starting order is posted at the competition.

**Pattern Dance Selection for Juvenile:** Willow Waltz and Ten Fox

**Pattern Dance Selection for Intermediate:** Fourteen step and European Waltz

**Pattern Dance Selection for Novice:** American Waltz and Rocker Foxtrot

### **JUNIOR, SENIOR:**

- 1.) One solo short dance
- 2.) One solo free dance

The pattern dances competed in the combined dance event are separate from those in the solo pattern dance event and the results will not count towards the solo pattern dance event or results. This event is offered at the juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior and senior levels.

Refer to the 2017 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at:

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479> for the combined event rules, level requirements and details.

## Event: Shadow Pattern Dance

The shadow pattern dance event is offered for the preliminary through senior levels. Refer to the 2017 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479> for the shadow pattern dance rules and event details.

All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above their highest completed dance test. The test level is determined by a skater completing all of the dance tests within that level. Participants may test during the Series season without penalty.

The determination of level will be based upon test level as of the 2017 Series entry level deadline of April 1, 2017 and/or when the skater submits their registration to be a solo dance series participant, *which ever date is earlier.* \*\*Level is determined by the skater with the lowest test level. (i.e. Skater A has passed the complete Pre-silver dance test and Skater B has passed the complete Gold dance test; this team would be allowed to skate at the Juvenile level or one level up at the Intermediate level.)

Teams must remain the same throughout the season – skaters may not change partners during the season. Teams may not change or move up levels in the 2017 Series once the deadline has passed and/or when they submit their registration to U.S. Figure Skating. A skater can enter more than one level with different partners, however the same team cannot enter at different levels. Each team that qualifies to compete at the Final, must compete at the Final in the same level at which they competed throughout the Series.

\*\* Test level may be either standard or solo dance. Adult dance, adult solo dance, master's dance and master's solo dance do not fulfill the testing requirements for this event.

Level	Requirements	Dances
Preliminary	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-bronze dance test.	Rhythm Blues
Juvenile	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-silver dance test.	Cha-Cha
Intermediate	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete silver dance test.	Fourteenstep
Novice	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete pre-gold dance test.	Rocker Foxtrot
Junior	One partner must not have passed higher than the complete gold dance test.	Kilian
Senior	Open.	Quickstep

Each skater who registers with U.S. Figure Skating as a participant in the 2017 Series will receive a Solo Dance Series Participant number upon successful payment and registration. This registration and number is required to enter your competition as a Series participant and accrue points. This is a great method of ensuring skaters registered for the Series and will receive points for placement.

### 2017 Solo Dance Series Entry Form Information

**Are you a registered participant in the 2017 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series?**

Yes, my Solo Dance Series Registration # is \_\_\_\_\_

No





## LEARN TO SKATE USA COMPETITION

**July 6 - 9, 2017**

### ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

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

#### Eligibility and Test Requirements:

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.

*This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition*



For the Pre-free skate, free skate 1-6, test track 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 may not compete at more than one level in the same type event at the same competition.

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the Local Organizing Committee discovers that a skater has been placed in a category that is below his/her class level, the chairman and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper division, even if this has to be done the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors. Please be sure to check for the director/instructor's signature confirming the level of the skater.

## ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR INSTRUCTORS/COACHES

When hosting a Compete USA competition, it is important that you verify the U.S. Figure Skating credentials of each coach/instructor who plans to work on-site at the event. You can verify the status of coaches/instructors by checking the lists on the U.S. Figure Skating website. This report can be found on [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org) by going to the "Coaches" page and clicking on the "Information for Clubs" or "Learn to Skate USA Instructor Registration" pages.

If a coach/instructor attempts to work at your event without the proper credentials, he or she is in violation of U.S. Figure Skating ethics and code of conduct rules and, as such, is subject to disciplinary action. Please consult the Coach Compliance Toolkit for further information and the forms to report the violation.

### Learn To Skate's COMPETE USA Events:

**First Event:** \$55

**Additional No Test/Basic Skills Skate Event** \$ 35

**Learn To Skate USA Membership Fee\*:** \$20

\*NOTE: This is only for COMPETE USA competitors who are not current USFS or Learn To Skate USA Members. CFFSC will register the skater for a Learn To Skate USA Membership with USFS. The \$20 fee covers the Learn To Skate USA membership allowing the skater to participate in events, and a small admin fee.

Refer to pages 2-4 of this announcement for additional competition rules and information.



## U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competitions

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### EVENT: Basic Elements Event: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 6

Format choice of the host: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee or have the option to perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps). Referee driven format examples: 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.

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition



- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice.
- No music.
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed.**

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Snowplow Sam	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> <li>• Forward snowplow stop</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 1	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>• Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 2	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward one-foot glide, either foot</li> <li>• Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> <li>• Moving snowplow stop</li> <li>• Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward</li> <li>• Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 3	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>• Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Forward slalom</li> <li>• Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> <li>• Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> </ul>
Basic 4	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward one-foot glides, right and left</li> <li>• Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise</li> <li>• Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> <li>• Beginning two-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions</li> <li>• Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, one direction only</li> </ul>
Basic 5	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> <li>• Advanced two-foot spin, 4-6 revolutions</li> <li>• Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Hockey stop</li> </ul>
Basic 6	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Bunny Hop</li> <li>• Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left</li> <li>• Beginning one-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry</li> <li>• T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>

## EVENT: Basic Program Event: SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 6

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.
- The skater may use elements from a previous level.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Snowplow Sam	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> <li>• Forward snowplow stop</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 1	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>• Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 2	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward one-foot glide, either foot</li> <li>• Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> <li>• Moving snowplow stop</li> <li>• Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward</li> <li>• Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 3	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>• Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Forward slalom</li> <li>• Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> <li>• Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> </ul>
Basic 4	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward one-foot glides, right and left</li> <li>• Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise</li> <li>• Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> <li>• Beginning two-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions</li> <li>• Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, one direction only</li> </ul>
Basic 5	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> <li>• Advanced two-foot spin, 4-6 revolutions</li> <li>• Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Hockey stop</li> </ul>
Basic 6	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Bunny Hop</li> <li>• Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left</li> <li>• Beginning one-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry</li> <li>• T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>



## Compete USA Competitions

### EVENT: Pre-Free Skate - Free Skate 6 Compulsory Event

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time: 1:15 max

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside open Mohawk from a standstill position (R to L and L to R)</li> <li>• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions)</li> <li>• Mazurka (Right and Left)</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes</li> <li>• Backward outside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>• Upright spin, entry from backward crossovers - minimum 4-6 revolutions</li> <li>• Toe loop</li> <li>• Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating forward outside and inside spirals on a continuous axis (2 sets)</li> <li>• Backward inside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>• Beginning back spin, up to two revolutions</li> <li>• Half Lutz</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>• Waltz three-turns, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, min 3 revs</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>• Sit spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Half loop jump</li> <li>• Flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both directions</li> <li>• Camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz jump-loop jump combination-</li> <li>• Lutz jump</li> </ul>

Free Skate 6	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power pulls, right and left</li> <li>• Split jump or stag jump</li> <li>• Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total</li> <li>• Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence</li> <li>• Axel jump</li> </ul>
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## Compete USA Competitions

### EVENT: Pre-Free Skate - Free Skate 6 Program Event

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.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time 1:40 max.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions)</li> <li>• Mazurka (Right and Left)</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes</li> <li>• Upright spin, entry from backward crossovers - minimum 4-6 revolutions</li> <li>• Toe loop jump</li> <li>• Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating forward outside and inside spirals on a continuous axis (2 sets)</li> <li>• Beginning back spin, up to two revolutions</li> <li>• Half Lutz</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>• Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, min 3 revs</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>• Sit spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Half Loop jump</li> <li>• Flip jump</li> </ul>

Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both directions</li> <li>• Camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz-loop jump combination-</li> <li>• Lutz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Split jump or stag jump</li> <li>• Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total</li> <li>• Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence</li> <li>• Axel jump</li> </ul>

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## EVENT: Introductory Levels Compulsory Event

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- 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 their free skate program.*

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waltz jump</li> <li>• ½ jump of choice</li> <li>• Forward two-foot or one-foot spin - minimum three revolutions (free leg position optional)</li> <li>• Forward or backward spiral</li> </ul>
High Beginner	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toe loop jump</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> <li>• Forward scratch spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Forward or backward spiral</li> </ul>



## EVENT: Introductory Levels Free Skate Program

General event parameters:

- 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.
- Minimum number of spin revolutions are in parentheses following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.

Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Beginner 1:40 Maximum	Max. 5 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front).</li> <li>• Max. 2 jump sequences</li> <li>• Max. 2 of any same jump</li> </ul>	Max. 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> </ul>	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA free skating badge tests
High Beginner 1:40 Maximum	Max. 5 jump elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop)</li> <li>• Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only.</li> <li>• Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>• Max. 2 of any same type jump.</li> </ul>	Max. 2 spins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> </ul>	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Learn to Skate USA free skating badge tests

## EVENT: NO TEST – PRELIMINARY COMPULSORY MOVES

General event parameters:

- Elements skated on ½ ice
- Elements may be performed only once
- Music is not allowed

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
No-Test	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)</li> <li>• Solo spin - sit or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Spiral sequence, must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included.</li> </ul>
Pre-Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toe Loop jump</li> <li>• Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)</li> <li>• Sit spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Spiral sequence with one forward spiral and one backward spiral (any edge)</li> </ul>
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lutz jump</li> <li>• Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>• Back upright spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Forward inside spiral</li> </ul>



**ADULT EVENTS:** This event can be used as a Compulsory or Program with Music Event.

**Entrants MUST SPECIFY Compulsory OR Program with Music.**

**Adult 1-6 Free Skate, Pre-Bronze and Bronze:**

The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted to the number of times element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- Vocal music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use, but is not required to use, any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time 1:30+/-10 sec unless otherwise noted

<p><b>Adult 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Falling and Recovery</li> <li>• Forward Marching</li> <li>• Forward two-foot glide</li> <li>• Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row)</li> <li>• Forward snowplow stop - two feet or one foot</li> </ul>	<p><b>Adult 4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>• Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>• Forward crossovers, clockwise and counter-clockwise</li> <li>• Backward one-foot glides, right and left</li> <li>• Hockey stop, both directions</li> </ul>
<p><b>Adult 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward skating across the width of the ice</li> <li>• Forward one-foot glides</li> <li>• Forward slalom</li> <li>• Backward skating</li> <li>• Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row</li> </ul>	<p><b>Adult 5</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>• Backward inside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>• Backward crossovers, clockwise and counter-clockwise</li> <li>• Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Beginning two-foot spin</li> </ul>
<p><b>Adult 3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward stroking using the blade properly</li> <li>• Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward skating to a long two-foot glide</li> <li>• Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left</li> </ul>	<p><b>Adult 6</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward stroking with crossover end patterns</li> <li>• Backward stroking with crossover end patterns</li> <li>• Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• T-stop</li> <li>• Lunge</li> <li>• Two-foot spin into one-foot spin</li> </ul>



**Compete USA Competitions**

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition



## SHOWCASE EVENTS:

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

Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal. A 0.2 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judge's mark for each five seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

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

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

\* For specific guidelines regarding the conduct of Showcase competitions, refer to the Non-Qualifying Showcase Guidelines posted on [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org).

Showcase categories may include:

- Levels can be subdivided, if necessary, depending on entry numbers and event set up
- Dramatic entertainment: Showcase program utilizing intense emotional skating quality to depict choreographic theme.
- Light entertainment: Showcase program emphasizing such choreographic expressive qualities such as comedy, love and mime while incorporating skating skills.
- Duets: Theatrical/artistic performances by any competitors.
- Mini production ensembles: Theatrical performances by three to seven competitors.
- Production ensembles: Theatrical performances by eight to 30 skaters. Theater On Ice teams are eligible as production ensembles. NOTE: Skaters may enter only one each duet, mini production or production event.

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Basic 1-6	Elements only from Basic 1-6 curriculum	May not have passed any higher than Basic 6 level.	Time: 1:10 max.
Pre-Free Skate- Free Skate 6/ Beginner/High Beginner/ Adult 1-6	3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop.	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.	Time: 1:30 max.
Adult Pre-Bronze	3 jump maximum. No Axels or double jumps permitted.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary or Adult pre-Bronze free skate test.	Time: 1:30 max.



TAMPA BAY SKATING CLUB PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENT FORM

The Tampa Bay Skating Club is proud to host the 2017 Orange Blossom Open Competition July 6-9, 2017. This competition is held at the Tampa Bay Skating Academy in Oldsmar, Florida and is one of the largest non-qualifying figure skating competitions held in the south. We expect over 125 competitors, plus their families and coaches as well as officials and spectators.

We invite you to submit an advertisement to be printed in the program, which will be available to all participants and spectators during the competition. The program format is 5 1/2" X 8 1/2", or "booklet size." We ask that advertisers submit camera-ready artwork, but if you need an ad made, please send what you have and we will be as creative as possible. The advertising deadline is May 31, 2017. Ads received after that date will be included to the best of our ability if time and layout permit.

Your support of the 2017 Orange Blossom competition and the Tampa Bay Skating Club is greatly appreciated. Programs will be available during the three days of the competition, which is open to the public. Thank you for your participation.

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- Back Inside Cover \$150.00
- Full Page \$100.00
- Half Page \$75.00
- Quarter Page \$50.00

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE TAMPA BAY SKATING CLUB, INC.**

**Mail to: Tampa Bay Skating Club 255 Forest Lakes Blvd. Oldsmar, FL 34677**

**To the attention of: Orange Blossom Program \*\*Please do not submit into Entryeze  
2017 Orange Blossom Open Competition**

**OFFICIAL T-SHIRTS**

*This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition*



Competition T-shirts will be available for purchase online **ONLY** during registration process thru Entryeze (see Merchandise while registering). **Shirts will be available for order through June 15, 2017 on Entryeze** and you will be able to pick up your Orange Blossom Competition T-shirt at registration. **Official competition T-shirts will NOT be available for purchase during the competition.** Please make sure that you order during the registration by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

If you need to place your order my mail, it **MUST** be received by June 1, 2017 or your order will **NOT** be guaranteed. Please contact Rachel Saul at [rachelsaul@gmail.com](mailto:rachelsaul@gmail.com) or mail instructions.

**SHORT SLEEVE TSHIRT: \$18.00**

**LONG SLEEVE TSHIRT: \$25.00**

\*There is a 2.00 charge for 2x-5x shirts.

Shirt main color is orange with Orange Blossom logo on the front. Names of participants are on the back. Long sleeve shirts (only) have 2017 Orange Blossom Open on the sleeve.



**ALL TSHIRTS ARE STANDARD MEN'S UNISEX FIT**

<b>L/S Sizes Youth</b>	<b>L/S Sizes Adult</b>	<b>S/S Sizes Youth</b>	<b>S/S Adult</b>
Small-XL	Small-5x*	Xsmall -Large	Small-5x*