

# ICE HOUSE

# **Basic Skills Competition**

Sunday May 03, 2020

Approved by US Figure Skating # 29465

Hosted by Ice House of NJ Figure Skating Club www.icehousenjfsc.org

Entry Deadline: April 10, 2020

Entry info and announcement: www.icehousenjfsc.org

Enter Online at Entryeeze.com

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WHEN: Sunday, May 03, 2020

**LOCATION:** lce House

111 Midtown Bridge Approach, Hackensack, NJ 07601

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CHAIRMAN: Edward Vancampen 973-819-8144

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**ELIGIBILITY:** The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either Learn to Skate USA Program and/or 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 host Learn to Skate USA or a member club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries April 10, 2020. All SNOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS 1-6 SKATERS must skate at highest level passed, or one level higher, and NO US Figure Skating test maybe have been passed including Movies in the Field or individual dances, and not both levels in the same event during the

same competition.

For the Pre freeskate, Free skate 1-6, Excel, Excel Plus 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.

RULES:

The competition will be conducted according to the rules in the 2019-2020 Rule Book

except as stated herein. The 6.0 judging system will be used for this competition.

LIABILITY:

The USFS, the Ice House of NJFSC, and the Ice House accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition; competitors assume the risk of

**CHIEF REFEREE**: Deborah Wychulis

competing in accordance with US Figure Skating rule CR 10.12

PRACTICE ICE:

Information will be posted on the Ice House of New Jersey FSC site www.icehousenjfsc.org.

SCHEDULE:

A tentative schedule will be available approximately one week before the competition. Individual group assignments and schedule will be determined by Chief Referee. The Groups/times will be posted on the Ice House NJFSC website. We cannot accommodate schedule changes to coordinate with skaters other activities for the day of the competition.

Please check website for schedule updates prior to traveling to the competition.

MUSIC:

Only CD's will be accepted. They must be clearly labeled with competitor's name and event. Please submit CD's in a paper sleeve at the registration desk on arrival (at least one hour prior to scheduled event). No CD's in RW format will be accepted. Only one track per CD please. No IPODs or cell phones will be accepted. Please pick up CD's promptly after the event. The Ice House assumes no responsibility or liability due to loss or damage to any CD's. Competitors should have duplicate CD's with them at their scheduled event. Coaches must have spare cd rink side during the event (in case of problems with the original music). If for any reason IPOD or cell phone needs to be used, a \$25.00 cash fine will be imposed (before

skater can take the ice)

RINK: Oval, 200 x 85 feet

**AWARDS:** Medals will be presented for First through Fourth places in each event.

VIDEO/PHOTO: Digital Video taping of first event is included with entry fee only. Video switching will not be

allowed. Video taping of other programs and photos will be available for purchase at the

Video/Photo booth. Personal video tapping and photos will not be allowed.

**DEADLINE:** Online entry will end at 11:59pm on April 10, 2020. Late entries will be accepted at the

discretion of the Competition Chair/LOC and will require DOUBLE the entry fee.

**REFUND POLICY:** Full refunds, **minus the online processing fee**, are available if withdrawal is prior to

April 10, 2020. There will be no refunds after April 10, 2020, except for cancellation of

event. There will be NO medical refunds given.

ENTRY FEES: 1st Event: \$100.00 (included video download), 2nd Event: \$45.00, 3rd Event: \$25.00

Please log onto WWW.ENTRYEEZE.COM or WWW.ICEHOUSENJFSC.ORG sites for online entry.

EVENT CHANGE FEE: Please review your application closely with your coach to ensure you have entered the

correct events/levels. Once names have been submitted to the Chief Referee, no changes will be made except those due to an error by the LOC. After the deadline date any change in registration because of an error on your application will result in a \$35.00

fee per change. Changes to an entry or event will be at the discretion of LOC.

**REGISTRATION:** Please arrive 1 hour prior to your scheduled event. Report to the Registration Desk

where you will hand in your music. Competitors who arrive after their warm-up group begins will be allowed to skate only at the discretion of the referee. If they do not skate, they will

forfeit all fees for that event.

**NOTICE:** You must fill out the entire online form. Notice, the current

USFS member number/LTS USA member numbers are mandatory. Also mandatory is the highest level passed.

**COACHES:** Coaches Information: All coaches must check in at the registration desk upon arrival at the rink. The LOC will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Upon checking in, coaches will have to show a photo ID to receive a credential. If a coach cannot provide a photo ID, and is not known to the LOC, 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. Please allow ample time to check in prior to your skater's event. 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 and Compete USA events without compliance is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

To be credentialed at a Compete USA event, coaches/instructors are required to have: • Learn to Skate USA Instructor membership OR U.S. Figure Skating full membership • Safe Sport training completed (for coaches/instructors 18 years old and older) • Background check successfully passed (for coaches/instructors 18 years old and over) • Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed OR U.S. Figure Skating compliant coach (for coaches under 18 years old)

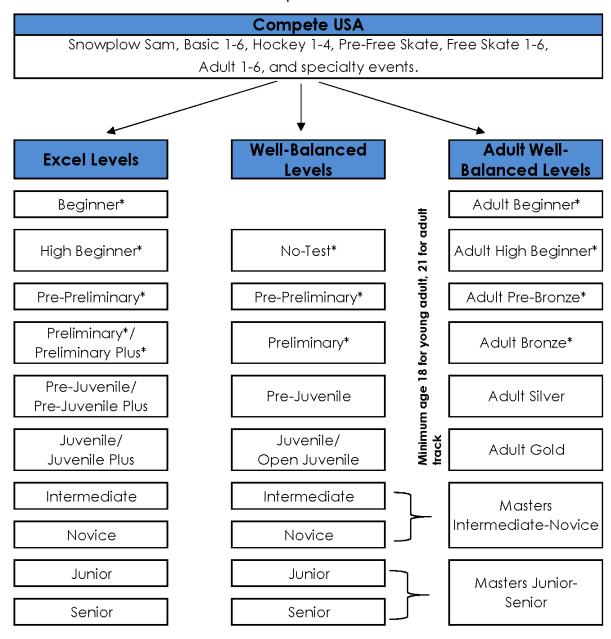
Please contact USFS or Learn to Skate USA for Coaching information.





#### COMPETITIVE PROGRESSION THROUGH THE LEVELS OF U.S FIGURE SKATING

Singles athletes begin with Compete USA competitions. Once athletes begin the official U.S. Figure Skating test structure, they can choose to enter the Excel, Well-Balanced or Adult levels as appropriate for their ability, test level, and age. Test requirements are the same for the Excel and Well-Balanced levels. It is completely the choice of the athlete which track to follow; athletes may switch between tracks as best suits their development, but may not enter the same type of event in multiple tracks. Competitive level is determined by highest free skate test passed.



\*Indicates an introductory level that may be held at Compete USA competitions. Beginner and High Beginner require a current Learn to Skate USA and/or U.S. Figure Skating full membership; all other levels require a current full U.S. Figure Skating membership.



#### **SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 6 ELEMENTS**

# 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 <u>order listed below</u> (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.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		March followed by a two-foot glide and dip
Snowplow	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> </ul>
Sam		<ul> <li>Forward snowplow stop</li> </ul>
		Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
		Forward two-foot glide and dip
Basic 1	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> </ul>
		Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
		Forward one-foot glide (no variations), either foot
Basic 2	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> </ul>
		Moving snowplow stop
		Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward
		<ul> <li>Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
		Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade
Basic 3	1:00 max.	• Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6
		consecutive
		Forward slalom
		<ul> <li>Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> </ul>
Basic 4	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6</li> </ul>
		consecutive
		<ul> <li>Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left</li> </ul>
		Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions
		<ul> <li>Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> </ul>
Basic 5	1:00 max.	<ul> <li>Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions</li> </ul>
		Hockey stop
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left
Basic 6	1:00 max.	Bunny Hop
		<ul> <li>Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left</li> </ul>
		Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg held position and
		entry
		T-stop, right or left



# **SNOWPLOW SAM – 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

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards		
		March followed by a two-foot glide and dip		
Snowplow	1:10 max.	<ul> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> </ul>		
Sam		Forward snowplow stop		
		Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row		
		Forward two-foot glide and dip		
Basic 1	1:10 max.	Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row		
		Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot		
		Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row		
		Forward one-foot glide (no variations), either foot		
Basic 2	1:10 max.	<ul> <li>Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> </ul>		
		Moving snowplow stop		
		Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward		
		Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row		
		Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade		
Basic 3	1:10 max.	<ul> <li>Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6</li> </ul>		
		consecutive		
		Forward slalom		
		<ul> <li>Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> </ul>		
		Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot		
		Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise		
Basic 4	1:10 max.	<ul> <li>Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6</li> </ul>		
		consecutive		
		<ul> <li>Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left</li> </ul>		
		Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions		
		Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise		
		<ul> <li>Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> </ul>		
Basic 5	1:10 max.	Forward outside three-turn, right and left		
		Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions		
		Hockey stop		
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left		
Basic 6	1:10 max.	Bunny Hop		
		<ul> <li>Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left</li> </ul>		
		Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional entry and free leg 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 ½ 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.
- Time: 1:15 maximum

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max.	<ul> <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>Basic one-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Mazurka Right or Left</li> <li>Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes</li> <li>Backward outside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>One-foot upright spin, entry from backward crossovers, with free foot in crossed leg position (scratch spin) - minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>Toe loop</li> <li>Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on a continuous axis</li> <li>Backward inside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>Beginning backspin, optional entry and free- foot position, maximum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Half Lutz</li> <li>Salchow jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>Waltz three-turns, 2 sets clockwise and 2 sets counterclockwise</li> <li>Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position- minimum 3 revolutions</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> <li>Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Half loop jump (Euler)</li> <li>Flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), 2-3 sets both directions</li> <li>Camel spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Waltz jump-loop jump combination</li> <li>Lutz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Forward power pulls, minimum 3 on each foot</li> <li>Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of 4 revolutions total</li> <li>Waltz jump, half loop (Euler), Salchow jump combination</li> <li>Axel jump: minimum requirement is a clear attempt either stationary or moving</li> </ul>



#### 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.
- Time 1:40 max.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards	
Pre-Free Skate	1:40 max.	<ul> <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>Basic one-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position- minimum 3</li> </ul>	
		revolutions	
		Mazurka right or left	
		Waltz jump	
		NOT ALLOWED -Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump	
		<ul> <li>Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes</li> </ul>	
Free Skate 1	1:40 max.	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	
		NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump/toe loop combination	
		Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral	
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	(right and left) on a continuous axis	
		Beginning back spin, optional entry and free-foot position, maximum 3	
		revolutions	
		Half Lutz	
		Salchow jump	
		NOT ALLOWED – Salchow/toe loop combination	
Free Skate 3	1:40 max.	Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right  Advanced back sain with free feet in proceed less position, religious 2.	
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		Loop jump	
		Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination	
		NOT ALLOWED – Waltz/loop combination	
		Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left	
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	Sit spin – minimum 3 revolutions	
		Half Loop jump (Euler)	
		• Flip jump	
		NOT ALLOWED – Waltz/loop or Waltz/half-loop(Euler)/Salchow combination	
		Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), 2-3 sets	
Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	both directions	
		Camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions	
		Waltz-loop jump combination	
		Lutz jump	
		Creative step sequence using a variety of three turns, Mohawks and toe steps	
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of 4 revolutions total	
		Waltz jump/half-loop (Euler)/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 ½ 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.
- Time: 1:15 maximum
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
		Toe loop jump
Excel Beginner	1:15 max.	Salchow jump
		<ul> <li>One-foot upright spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> </ul>
		Choreographic step sequence
		Loop jump
Excel High	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Salchow/toe loop combination</li> </ul>
Beginner		Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions
		Choreographic step sequence
		Flip jump
Excel Pre-	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Loop/loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Preliminary		<ul> <li>Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> </ul>
		Choreographic step sequence
		Lutz jump
Excel Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Flip/loop jump combination</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Camel, sit combination spin – minimum 6 revolutions total</li> </ul>
		Choreographic step sequence

# WELL BALANCED LEVELSCOMPULSORY

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
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time: 1:15 maximum
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards	
No-Test	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Loop jump</li> <li>Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)</li> <li>Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>	
Pre-Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Lutz jump</li> <li>Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)</li> <li>Spin with one change of position and no change of foot – minimum 6 revolutions total</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>	
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul> <li>Axel jump</li> <li>Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>Spin with one change of foot and one change of position – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>	



# **EXCEL FREE SKATE**

General event parameters:

- Skaters may <u>not</u> 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.

- 15 :	Maximum 4 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
Excel Beginner	Jumps with no more than one-half rotation	Two upright spins	Choreographic Step
Free Skate	(front to back or back to front)	No change of foot	Sequence* (ChSt)
1:40 Max.	Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop	No flying entry	Must use one-half of the
1.40 Max.	only	Minimum 3	ice surface
Loarn to Skata LISA mambarshin	<ul> <li>Eulers (half loops) are not allowed.</li> </ul>	revolutions	Moves in the field and
Learn to Skate USA membership OR full U.S. Figure Skating	Maximum 2 jump combinations or	revolutions	spiral sequences are
membership required	sequences		allowed but will not be
membership required	One 3-jump combination is allowed • Jump	Max Level: Base	counted as elements
	sequence is any listed jump immediately		Jumps may be included
	followed by a waltz jump		in the step sequence
	Maximum 2 of any same jump		
Excel High Beginner	Maximum 5 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
	Jumps with no more than one-half rotation	Both spins must be in a	Choreographic Step
Free Skate	(front to back or back to front)	single position	Sequence* (ChSt)
1:40 Max.	Single rotation jumps: toe loop, Salchow,	No change of foot	<ul> <li>Must use one-half of the</li> </ul>
-	Euler (half-loop), loop	No flying entry	ice surface
Learn to Skate USA membership	Flip, Lutz, & Axel NOT permitted	Permitted forward spins:	Moves in the field and
OR full U.S. Figure Skating	Maximum 2 jump combinations or	upright, sit, camel	spiral sequences are
membership required	sequences	Permitted back spins:	allowed but will not be
	One 3-jump combination is allowed • Jump	upright	counted as elements
	sequence is any listed jump immediately	Minimum 3 revolutions	Jumps may be included in
	followed by a waltz jump	Max Level: Base	the step sequence
	Maximum 2 of any same jump		
<b>Excel Pre-Preliminary</b>	Maximum 5 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
1:40 Max.	All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel	One spin must be in a	Choreographic Step Sequence*
1.40 Max.	No single Axels, double, or higher jumps	single position with no	(ChSt)
	allowed	change of foot*	Must use one-half of the
Must not have passed higher	Number of single jumps (except single Axel)	One spin may change	ice surface
than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-	is not limited provided the maximum	feet or position, but not both	Moves in the field and
preliminary free skate test	number of jump elements allowed is not	No flying entry	spiral sequences are allowed but will not be
	exceeded	Minimum 3	counted as elements
*means required element	Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences	revolutions	Jumps may be included in
	Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One	Spins must be of a	the step sequence
Learn to Skate USA membership	3-jump combination is allowed	different character	the step sequence
OR full U.S. Figure Skating	Jump sequence is any listed jump	Max Level: 1	
membership required	immediately followed by a waltz jump		
Freel Buelinsinsm.	Maximum 5 jump elements:	Maximum 2 spins:	Maximum 1 Sequence:
Excel Preliminary	All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel	One spin must be a	Choreographic Step Sequence*
1:30 +/- 10 sec.	No single Axels, double, or higher jumps	camel or layback spin	(ChSt)
	allowed	with no change of foot	<ul> <li>Must use one-half of the</li> </ul>
Must not have passed higher	Number of single jumps (except single Axel)	and no change of	ice surface
than U.S. Figure Skating	is not limited provided the maximum	position*	Moves in the field and
Preliminary free skate test	number of jump elements allowed is not	One spin may change	spiral sequences are
, Je snate test	exceeded	feet and/or position	allowed but will not be
*means required element	Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump	No flying entry	counted as elements
Jan. J. Equil Ca Cicinent	sequences	Minimum 3	Jumps may be included in
Full II S Figure Skating	Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One	revolutions	the step sequence
	3-jump combination is allowed		
membership required			
	immediately followed by a waltz jump	Max Level: 1	
*means required element  Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required	exceeded  Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences  Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed  Jump sequence is any listed jump	feet and/or position No flying entry Minimum 3	allowed but will not be counted as elements  • Jumps may be included in

# **EXCEL FREE SKATE (continued)**



# **Excel Preliminary Plus**

1:30 +/- 10 sec.

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

\*means required element

Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required

#### Maximum 5 jump elements:

- 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
- Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences
- All single jumps, including the single Axel are allowed as part of a jump combination or sequence (no double jumps)
- Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3jump combination is allowed
- Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump

#### Maximum 2 spins:

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
Minimum 3
revolutions
Spins must be of a
different character
Max Level: 1

#### Maximum 1 Sequence: Choreographic Step

Sequence\* (ChSt)

Must use one-h

- Must use one-half of the ice surface
- Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements
- 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.

Level Time Spins **Step Sequences Max 5 Jump Elements** Max 2 Spins Max 1 Sequence No-Test 1:40 Max. All single jumps allowed except for the single Axel Spins may change feet Step Sequence No single Axels, double, triple or quadruple jumps and/or position Must use oneallowed half the ice Spins may start with a Number of single jumps (except single Axels) is surface flying entry not limited provided the maximum number of Moves in the Min 3 revs. jump elements allowed is not exceeded field and spiral Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences sequences are These spins must be of a o Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that allowed but will different character one3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 not be counted (For definition see U.S. Figure single jumps is allowed as elements Skating rule 6103 (E)) Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately o Jumps may be followed by an Axel jump (waltz jump) included in the step sequence **Max 5 Jump Elements** Max 2 Spins Max 1 Sequence Pre-1:40 Max. All single jumps, including the single Axel, allowed Spins may change feet Step Sequence Preliminary o No double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed and/or position Must use oneo Axel may be repeated once as a solo jump or part of Spins may start with a half the ice a jump sequence or jump combination surface flying entry o Moves in the (maximum of 2 single Axels) Min 3 revs. o Number of single jumps is not limited provided the field and spiral maximum number of jump elements allowed is These spins must be of a sequences are not exceeded allowed but will different character Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences (For definition see U.S. Figure not be counted o Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that as elements Skating rule 6103 (E)) Jumps may be one3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 included in the single jumps is allowed o Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately step sequence followed by an Axel-type jump **Max 5 Jump Elements** Max 2 Spins Max 1 Sequence 1:30 +/-10 1 must be an Axel-type jump or a waltz jump\* Spins may change feet Step Sequence **Preliminary** sec Max. All single jumps, including the single Axel, allowed. and/or position o Must use one-Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted Spins may start with a half the ice (limited to double Salchow, double toe loop and flying entry surface o Moves in the double loop) Min 3 revs. o Double flip, double Lutz, double Axel, triple and field and spiral quadruple jumps not allowed These spins must be of a sequences are An Axel plus up to two different, allowable double different character allowed but will jumps may be repeated once (but not more) as (For definition see U.S. Figure not be counted as elements solo jumps or part of a jump sequence or jump Skating rule 6103 (E)) combination Jumps may be o Number of single jumps is not limited provided included in the the maximum number of jump elements allowed step sequence is not exceeded Max 2 jump combinations or sequences 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 Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump



# ADULT 1-6, ADULT BEGINNER-ADULT BRONZE COMPULSORY

- The skating order of the elements is optional. Element may only be attempted once.
- $\bullet$   $\;$  To be skated in simple program format with limited connecting steps, ½ ice.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element MISSING, REPEATED or from a higher level

Level	Time	Elements		
		Forward Marching		
Adult 1	1:30	Forward two-foot glide		
	Max.	Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row)		
		Forward snowplow stop – two feet or one foot		
		Forward skating across the width of the ice		
Adult 2	1:30	Forward one-foot glides		
	Max.	Forward slalom		
		Backward skating		
		Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row		
		Forward stroking using the blade properly		
Adult 3	1:30	Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, clockwise and counterclockwise		
	Max.	Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise		
		Backward skating to a long two-foot glide		
		Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left		
		Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left		
Adult 4	1:30			
Addit 4	Max.	Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left     Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise		
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		Hockey stop, both directions  Parkward are first slides right and left.		
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left		
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Adult 5	1:30	Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise		
	Max.	Forward outside three-turn, right and left		
		Beginning two-foot spin (min 2 revs)		
	4 20	Forward stroking with crossover end patterns		
Adult 6	1:30	Backward stroking with crossover end patterns		
	Max.	Forward inside three-turn, right and left		
		• T-stop		
		• Lunge		
		Two-foot spin into one-foot spin (min 2 revs on 1 foot)		
		Mazurka		
Adult	1:30	Waltz Jump		
Beginner	Max.	Forward beginning one-foot spin from backward crossovers (min 2 revs)		
		Forward moving inside open Mohawk (right and left) – heel to instep		
		Alternating right and left forward outside and inside edges across the width of the ice (one outside edge, right)		
		and left, one inside edge, right and left)		
		Waltz Jump		
Adult High	1:30	• ½ Flip		
Beginner	Max.	Forward upright spin – minimum 3 revolutions		
		Backward outside three- turn, right and left		
		Alternating right and left backward outside and inside edges across the width of the ice (one outside edge,		
		right and left, one inside edge, right and left)		
		• Single toe loop jump		
Adult Pre-	1:30	• Jump combination or sequence consisting of half revolution jumps (½ flip, ½ Lutz, ½ loop, waltz), toe loop, or		
Bronze	Max.	Salchow – maximum of 2 jumps in combination and 3 jumps in a sequence • Forward upright spin - minimum 3 revolutions		
		• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one backward crossover		
		and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise		
		Forward spiral (any edge)		
		Single Salchow jump		
Adult	1:30	• Jump combination or sequence consisting of ½ revolution jumps and/or full revolution jumps (no Lutz or Axel) –		
Bronze	Max.	maximum 2 jumps in combination and 3 jumps in a sequence		
		• Solo spin with no change of foot (min. 3 revolutions) • Backward inside three-turn, right and left		
		Spiral sequence (Minimum 2 spirals)- must change edge or foot		



# **ADULT 1-6 FREE SKATE WITH MUSIC**

General event parameters:

- 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.
- 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 (lower) levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each required element MISSING and for those elements performed from a higher level.

Level	Time	Elements
		Forward Marching
Adult 1	1:40 Max	Forward two-foot glide
		Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row)
		Forward snowplow stop – two feet or one foot
		<ul> <li>Forward skating across the width of the ice</li> </ul>
Adult 2	1:40 Max	Forward one-foot glides
		Forward slalom
		Backward skating
		Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row
		Forward stroking using the blade properly
Adult 3	1:40 Max	Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, clockwise
		and counterclockwise
		Backward skating to a long two-foot glide
		Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise
		Backward snowplow stop, Right and Left
		<ul> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left</li> </ul>
Adult 4	1:40 Max	Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left
		Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
		Backward one-foot glides, right and left
		Hockey stop, both directions
		Backward outside edge on a circle, right and left
Adult 5	1:40 Max	Backward inside edge on a circle, right and left
		Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise
		Forward outside three-turn, right and left
		Beginning two-foot spin
		Forward stroking with crossover end patterns
Adult 6	1:40 Max	Backward stroking with crossover end patterns
		Forward inside three-turn, right and left
		• T-stop
		• Lunge
		Two-foot spin into one-foot spin (min 2 revs on 1 foot)



# ADULT BEGINNER - ADULT GOLD FREE SKATE PROGRAM WITH MUSIC

# General event parameters:

- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice and vocal music is allowed
- To be skated on full ice
- The minimum number of required spin revolutions is indicated in parentheses following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.

Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Adult Beginner  1:40 Maximum	Max. 4 jump elements  Jumps limited to bunny hop, mazurka, ballet and Waltz jump  Max 1 combination or sequence consisting of only the allowed listed jumps  Max. 2 of any same jump	Max. 2 spins  Two forward upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)	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 Skate 1
Adult High Beginner 1:40 Maximum	Max 4 jump elements:  • Jumps limited to bunny hop, mazurka, ballet, stag, split, waltz, ½ flip, ½ Lutz, ½ loop, toe loop, Salchow  • Max 1 combination or sequence consisting of only the allowed listed jumps  • Max. 2 of any same type jump.	Max 2 spins:  Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed any U.S. Figure Skating Free Skate tests
Adult Pre-Bronze  1:40 Maximum	Max 4 Jump Elements:     Max 2 combinations or sequences     1 jump combination may contain 3     jumps, and the other may contain     only 2 jumps     Jump sequence is any listed jump     immediately followed by an Axel-     type jump     Each jump may be repeated only     once and only as part of a     combination or sequence (maximum     of 2 of any jump)     Only single and half-revolution     jumps are permitted     No single Lutz, single Axel, double or     triple jumps are permitted	Max 2 Spins:  Max Level 1 Spins must be of different character (for definition, see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 E) Min 3 revs Spins with a flying entry are not permitted	Connecting steps throughout the program are required	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Adult Pre-Bronze or Pre- Preliminary Free Skate
Adult Bronze  1:50 maximum	Max 4 Jump Elements:  Max 2 combinations or sequences  1 combination may contain 3 jumps, and the other may contain only 2 jumps  Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axeltype jump  Each jump may be repeated only once, and only as part of a combination or sequence (maximum of 2 of any jump)  All single jumps are permitted (except single Axel)  No single Axel, double or triple jumps are permitted	Max 2 Spins:  • Max Level 1  • Spins must be of different character (for definition, see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))  • Min 3 revs total if no change of foot  • Min 3 revs each foot if change of foot  • Min 2 revs in each position  • No flying spins are permit	Max 1 Sequence: 1 choreographic step sequence, fully utilizing at least ½ of the ice surface (may include moves in the field and spirals) Additional moves in the field, spiral and step sequences will not be counted as elements but will be counted as transitions and marked as such.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Adult Bronze or Preliminary Free Skate

Adult Silver: Please refer to rule #6541 in current USFS Rulebook

Adult Gold: Please refer to rule #6531 in current USFS Rulebook



# **SPINS CHALLENGE** General event parameters:

- 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.
- All events are skated on ½ ice.
- Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
		Upright one-foot spin (3)
Beginner	1:30 max.	Upright back spin (3)
		Sit spin (3)
		Upright one-foot spin (4)
High Beginner	1:30 max.	Upright spin with change of foot (3 each foot)
		Sit spin (3)
		Upright spin with change of foot (3 each foot)
NoTest	1:30 max.	Sit spin (3)
		Camel spin (3)
		Spin with one change of position and no change of foot (6)
Pre – Preliminary	1:30 max.	Backward sit spin (3)
		Camel spin (4)
		Spin with one change of foot and one change of position (min. 3 each foot)
Preliminary	1:30 max.	Change sit spin (min 3. each foot)
		One position spin – skater's choice (upright, sit or camel) (4)
Adult Beginner	1:30 max.	Pivot
		Two-foot upright spin (2)
Adult Pre-Bronze	1:30 max.	One-foot upright spin (3)
		Two-foot upright spin (3)
Adult Bronze	1:30 max.	Upright one-foot spin (3)
		Solo spin with no change of foot (3) – must be different from the upright spin
		– may not fly

# **JUMPS CHALLENGE** General event parameters:

- Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
- To be skated on ½ ice

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards	
		Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)	
Beginner	1:15 max.	½ flip or ½ Lutz	
		Single Salchow	
		Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)	
High	1:15 max.	Single Salchow	
Beginner		Jump combination – Waltz jump-toe loop	
		Single toe loop	
NoTest	1:15 max.	Single loop	
		Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)	
		Single toe loop	
Pre –	1:15 max.	Single flip	
Preliminary		Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)	
		Single flip	
Preliminary	1:15 max.	Single Lutz	
		Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)	
Adult		Mazurka or ballet jump	
Beginner	1:15 max.	Waltz jump	
Adult Pre-		Toe loop jump	
Bronze	1:15 max.	½ flip, ½ Lutz or ½ loop	
Adult Bronze		Salchow	
	1:15 max.	Toe loop	
		Any single jump plus a toe loop combination (no Axels allowed)	



#### SHOWCASE EVENTS

Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic, Free Skate, Limited Beginner through Preliminary and Adult Bronze. Groups will be divided or combined 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. 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 each ten 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 Nonqualifying Showcase Guidelines posted on <a href="https://www.usfigureskating.org">www.usfigureskating.org</a>. Showcase categories may include:

- Levels can be subdivided or combined, if necessary, depending on entry numbers and event set up
- Dramatic entertainment: 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. Dramatic programs should not be depressing. Even if the emotion is sadness, there should be an enlivened feeling given to the audience.
- Light entertainment: Programs should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions.
- 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: 1:00 max.
Pre-Free Skate-Free Skate 6/	3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps	May not have passed any official U.S.	Time: 1:30 max.
Beginner/High Beginner/ Adult	only, plus the following full rotation	Figure Skating free skate or free dance	
1-6/ Adult Beginner/Adult High	jumps: Salchow and toe loop.	tests.	
Beginner			
No Test	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must not have passed Pre-Preliminary	Time: 1:30 max.
		Free Skate or any Free Dance tests.	
Pre-Preliminary	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than U.S.	Time: 1:30 max.
		Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary May not	
		have passed any free dance test.	
Adult Pre-Bronze	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than Adult	Time: 1:40 max.
		pre-Bronze free skate test. See	
		National Showcase guidelines for more	
		specific information regarding adults.	
Preliminary/	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than USFS	Time: 1:40 max.
Adult Bronze		Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze	
		Free Skate or Free Dance test. See	
		National Showcase guidelines for more	
		specific information regarding adults.	