

2022 Burlington Hockey & Skating Association Compete USA Winter Skate
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**Learn to Skate USA Competition Sanction #30368** 

#### **2022 BHSA Compete USA Winter Skate**

The Burlington Hockey & Skating Assoc \* January 9, 2022 \* Burlington Ice Palace, Burlington, MA

**Entries:** This competition is open to all skaters who are members in good standing of the U S Figure Skating Association.

**Eligibility:** Skaters who are currently enrolled in either a Learn to Skate USA Program or are full US Figure Skating

Members are eligible to compete. Eligibility will be based on skill level passed as of **December 31, 2021.** 

ALL BASIC SKILLS SKATERS, SNOWPLOW SAM, & BASIC LEVELS 1 THROUGH 6 MUST SKATE AT HIGHEST LEVEL PASSED or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or Individual Dances.

SKATERS IN OTHER EVENTS MAY SKATE AT HIGHEST LEVEL PASSED OR ONE LEVEL HIGHER BUT NOT BOTH LEVELS in the same event during the same competition. Skaters will be broken into groups of approximately four (4) skaters, by birth date. Males and females may, or may not, be placed in the same group.

\*\*Please note: If a skater competes at a non-qualifying competition in a "Beginner or No Test" category, then that skater must compete at the equivalent or higher level in a Basic Skills approved competition.

**Deadline:** All entries **must be** received via EntryEeze online payment system ( www.entryeeze.com) no later than

**December 31, 2021**. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee and when accompanied with a **\$15.00** late fee.

Contacts: Lisa Cline @ bhsawinterskate@gmail.com Emails will be answered within 48 hrs.

Fees: All entries must be received via Entry Eeze online payment system (www.entryeeze.com) no later than December 31, 2021 and are limited to first come, first serve. Late entries will be accepted only if the limit has not been reached, accompanied by an additional \$15 late entry fee, at the discretion of the organizers. Entry fees are per person, U.S. dollars. The first event is \$50.00 and each additional event is \$30.00.

#### **Events**

Basic Elements/Program
Free Skate Compulsories/Program
Excel Compulsories/Program
Well Balanced Compulsories/Program
Showcase Events
Adaptive Skating/Special Olympics

**Refunds:** Entry fees are not refundable after the entry deadline unless an event is canceled. **Test & Age:** As of **December 31, 2021**, Entry Deadline.

**Sponsoring Club: Winchester Figure Skating Club Facilities:** The Burlington Ice Palace has handicap access at our main entrance.

**Ice surface** is 200 x 85 with round corners.

**Locker Rooms:** This event will be following the Locker Rooms and Changing Area policy included in the SafeSport Handbook.

**Admission:** No admission fee will be charged.

**Music:** The music for all free skating programs **must be** uploaded to the EntryEeze website prior to the competition. A copy of the music on CD is required as the backup and is to be turned in at registration on the competition day. The CD should be clearly marked with the name of the skater, event entered and length of music. Time duration is always ± 10 seconds.

**Awards:** Everyone will receive an award. Awards will be presented to first, second, third, and fourth places. ALL awards will be made at appropriate times throughout the competition.

**Schedule and Practice Ice:** Competition schedules and practice ice request forms will be posted on our the EntryEeze website at <a href="https://www.entryeeze.com">www.entryeeze.com</a>.

### **Rules for Compete USA Competitions**

3100 Rules for Compete USA Competitions

3110 Compete USA Competitions – Approvals

3111 Compete USA competitions may include events for skaters who have passed no higher than the preliminary free skate, pre-bronze pattern dance or adult bronze free skate tests without applying for a U.S. Figure Skating sanction. However, an approval number is required and may be obtained from the appointed Learn to Skate USA representatives. See also rule 3112.

3112 When a Compete USA competition is held in conjunction with a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, approval as required by rule 3111 above must still be obtained.

3120 Compete USA Competitions - Officials

3121 For Compete USA competitions, three judges not related to the competitors are required for each event. Judges may be any official U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada judge or any other qualified eligible or ineligible person in skating who is a U.S. Figure Skating member and/or a Learn to Skate USA member.

3122 For Compete USA competitions, the member club or other organization sponsoring and conducting the competition shall approve all judges and officials. All persons serving as judges and officials shall be at least 16 years of age.

3130 Compete USA Competitions – Announcements

3131 For all Compete USA competitions, a copy of the announcement and an approval request shall be sentto the appointed Learn to Skate USA representative for approval and issuance of a Compete USA approval number 30 days prior to the release of the competition announcement to the public. The approval is to be publicly displayed during the competition.

3132 Compete USA competitions will follow the event structure as outlined in the Compete USA Manual. Any registered Learn to Skate USA program may conduct a Compete USA competition.

3133 When Compete USA competitions are held on the home ice of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, the member club shall be designated as the sponsoring club.

3134 Compete USA competitions may be:

- A. "In house" the competition is available only to those skaters who are members of the club or program conducting the competition, or
- B. "Open" the competition is available to any registered Learn to Skate USA member or full U.S.
   Figure Skating member.

#### 3055 Entries

At nonqualifying competitions, if only one eligible competitor/team enters an event, the competitor/team will be offered the option to skate an exhibition, compete in an equivalent event one level above or one level below (as qualified by test level) or, for pre-juvenile and lower singles events, compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender.

- A. If said competitor chooses to skate an exhibition, judges will award their marks according to the rules and the applicable judging system used, and the competitor/team will receive first place.
- B. If said competitor chooses to compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender, the skater will be entered accordingly.
- C. If said competitor/team chooses not to skate, the entry fee will be refunded, and the event will be canceled

## ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR **PARTICIPANTS**

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current members of either Learn to Skate USA and/or those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be a current registered member of Learn to Skate USA or a full member of U.S. Figure Skating. There will be no more than six competitors maximumin an event, and all six should receive an award.

#### **ELIGIBILITY AND TEST REQUIREMENTS:**

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of clos- ing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic 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, in-cluding moves in the field or individual dances.

For the Pre-Free Skate, Free Skate 1-6, Excel, Well-Balanced, Adult and Adaptive levels, eligibility will be based only upon highest badge level or free skate test level passed. Skate Unit-ed skaters have the option to compete in the standard track or Skate United badge levels; accommodations may be made upon request. Moves in the field test level will not determine a skater's competitive level. Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher butnot both levels in the same event during the same competition. \*For Synchronized Skating eligibility and requirements refer to the Synchronized Skating page. \*

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 (LOC) discovers that a skater has been placed in a category below his/her badge or test level, the chair and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper level, even if it is the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fairas possible to the competitors. It is an ethical violation for coaches to sandbag an event.

# ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR COACHES/ INSTRUCTORS

When hosting a Compete USA competition, it is important that you verify the compliance of each coach/instructor who plans to coach onsite at the event.

For credentials at a Compete USA event, coaches/instructors are required to have:

 Learn to Skate USA instructor compliant

OR

U.S. Figure Skating coach compliant

If a coach/instructor attempts to workat 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.

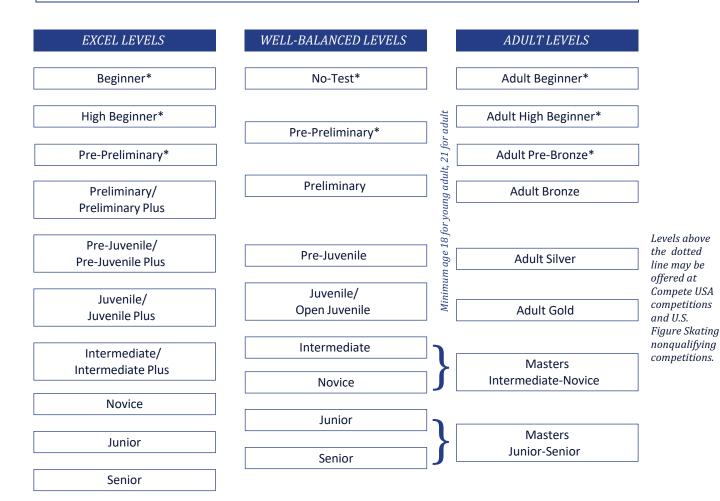
All officials and adult volunteers attending Compete USA events must also be SafeSport Trained™

## Competitive Progression Through The Levels of U.S. Figure Skating

Singles athletes begin with the 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 skatetest passed.

#### COMPETE USA

Snowplow Sam, Basic 1-6, Hockey 1-4, Pre-Free Skate 1-6, Adult 1-6, Adaptive Skating and specialty events.



\*Beginner, High Beginner, No-Test, Pre-Preliminary and Pre-Bronze require 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

#### THERE ARE TWO FORMAT OPTIONS FOR THE ELEMENTS EVENT:

- 1. Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge/referee OR
- 2. Skater will perform one element at a time in the <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
SNOWPLOW SAM	1:00 max	<ul> <li>March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>Forward 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> <li>Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>Forward swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>Beginning snowplow stop on one or two feet</li> <li>Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
BASIC 2	1:00 max	<ul> <li>Forward one-foot glide (no variations), either foot</li> <li>Scooter pushes, 2-3 each foot</li> <li>Moving snowplow stop</li> <li>Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward</li> <li>Backward swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
BASIC 3	1:00 max	<ul> <li>Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>Forward half-swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Forward slalom</li> <li>Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> <li>Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> </ul>
BASIC 4	1:00 max	<ul> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Backward half-swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left</li> <li>Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions</li> </ul>
BASIC 5	1:00 max	<ul> <li>Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>Hockey stop</li> </ul>
BASIC 6	1:00 max	<ul> <li>Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Mohawk, right to left and left to right</li> <li>Bunny hop</li> <li>Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left</li> <li>Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg and entry position</li> <li>T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>

## 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
SNOWPLOW SAM	1:10 max	<ul> <li>March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>Forward 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> <li>Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>Forward swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>Beginning snowplow stop on one or two feet</li> <li>Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
BASIC 2	1:10 max	<ul> <li>Forward one-foot glide (no variations), 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 swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
BASIC 3	1:10 max	<ul> <li>Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>Forward half-swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Forward slalom</li> <li>Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> <li>Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> </ul>
BASIC 4	1:10 max	<ul> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Backward half-swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left</li> <li>Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions</li> </ul>
BASIC 5	1:10 max	<ul> <li>Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>Hockey stop</li> </ul>
BASIC 6	1:10 max	<ul> <li>Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Mohawk, right to left and left to right</li> <li>Bunny hop</li> <li>Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left</li> <li>Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg and entry position</li> <li>T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>

## Pre-Free Skate - Free Skate 1-6-Compulsory

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

- To be skated on half-ice
- No music
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS		
PRE-FREE SKATE	1:15 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, one set each direction clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>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-turn, 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-turn, right and left</li> <li>Beginning back spin, 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 3s, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>Sit spin, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Half loop jump</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-Euler (half loop)-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

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 in one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, one set each direction clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free, foot position, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Mazurka, right or left</li> <li>Waltz jump</li> <li>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump-side toe hop-waltz jump</li> </ul>	
FREE SKATE 1	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes</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 jump</li> <li>Half flip jump</li> <li>NOT ALLOWED - Waltz jump-toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>	
FREE SKATE 2	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on acontinuous axis</li> <li>Beginning back spin, optional entry and free foot position, maximum 2 revolutions</li> <li>Half Lutz</li> <li>Salchow jump</li> <li>NOT ALLOWED - Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>	
FREE SKATE 3	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Alternating mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</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> <li>NOT ALLOWED - Waltz-loop jump combination</li> </ul>	
FREE SKATE 4	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Forward power 3s, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>Sit spin, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Half loop jump</li> <li>Flip jump</li> <li>NOT ALLOWED - Waltz-loop or Waltz-Euler-Salchow jump combination</li> </ul>	
FREE SKATE 5	1:40 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-loop jump combination</li> <li>Lutz jump</li> </ul>	
FREE SKATE 6	1:40 max	<ul> <li>Creative step sequence using a variety of three turns, mohawks and toe steps, half-ice</li> <li>Camel-sit spin combination spin, minimum of 4 revolutions total</li> <li>Waltz jump-Euler (half loop)-Salchow jump combination</li> <li>Axel jump; minimum requirement is a clear attempt either stationary or moving</li> </ul>	

## **Excel Compulsory**

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

- To be skated on half-ice
- No music
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program

LEVEL	TIME	SKATING RULES/STANDARDS
EXCEL BEGINNER	1:15 max	<ul> <li>Waltz Jump</li> <li>Salchow jump</li> <li>One-foot upright spin, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
EXCEL HIGH BEGINNER	1:15 max	<ul> <li>Loop jump</li> <li>Salchow-toe loop jump combination</li> <li>Sit spin, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
EXCEL PRE- PRELIMINARY	1:15 max	<ul> <li>Flip jump</li> <li>Loop-loop jump combination</li> <li>Camel spin, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
EXCEL PRELIMINARY	1:15 max	<ul> <li>Lutz jump</li> <li>Flip-loop jump combination</li> <li>Camel-sit combination spin, minimum 6 revolutions total</li> <li>Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>

## Well-Balanced Levels Compulsory

FORMAT: To be skated on half-ice

- No music
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program

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>Single jump-single jump (no Axel) combination</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>Single jump-single jump (may not include Axel) combination</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 to one level higher

Learn to Skate USA membership OR full U.S. Figure Skating membership required					
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES			
Maximum 4 jump elements:  • Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front)  • Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop only  • Eulers (half loops) are not allowed  • Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences.  Combination jumps permitted  • Waltz jump/toe loop and/or  • Salchow/toe loop  Sequence permitted  • Waltz jump/ waltz jump (no turns or hops in between) Maximum 2 of any same jump	Maximum 2 spins:  Two upright spins  No change of foot  No flying entry  Minimum 3  revolutionsMax Level:	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  • 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			

EXCEL HIGH BEGINNER — 1:30 +/- 10 SECONDS					
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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES			
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front)</li> <li>Single rotation jumps: toe loop, Salchow, Euler (half loop), loop</li> <li>Flip, Lutz, and Axel NOT permitted</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> <li>Maximum 2 of any same jump</li> </ul>	Maximum 2 spins:  Both spins must be in a single position  No change of foot  No flying entry  Permitted forward spins: upright, sit, camel  Permitted back spins: upright  Minimum 3 revolutionsMax Level: Base  Both spins may be of the same character	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  • 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			

#### EXCEL PRE-PRELIMINARY — 1:30 +/- 10 SECONDS

<u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre- preliminary free skate test \*means required element

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel</li> <li>No single Axels, double or higher jumps allowed</li> <li>Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</li> <li>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul>	Maximum 2 spins:  One spin must be in a single position with nochange of foot*  One spin may change feet or position, but not both  No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character  Max Level: 1	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiralsequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

#### EXCEL PRELIMINARY — 1:30 +/- 10 SEC. \*\*2:00 +/- 10 SEC\*\* BEGINS DEC. 1, 2021

 $\underline{\textit{Must not}}$  have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test \*means required element

Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required

JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel</li> <li>No single Axels, double or higher jumps allowed</li> <li>Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul>	Maximum 2 spins:  One spin must be a camel or layback spin with no change of foot and no change of position* One spin may change feet and/or position No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character  Max Level: 1	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  • 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

#### EXCEL PRELIMINARY PLUS — 1:30 +/- 10 SEC. \*\*2:00 +/- 10 SEC\*\* BEGINS DEC. 1, 2021

 $\underline{\textit{Must not}} \ \textit{have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test} \\ *means required element$ 

Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES			
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>All single jumps allowed, including single Axel</li> <li>No double or higher jumps allowed</li> <li>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)</li> <li>Number of remaining single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</li> <li>All single jumps, including the single Axel, are allowed as part of a jump combination or sequence (no double jumps)</li> <li>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump.</li> </ul>	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 revolutionsSpins must be of a different character	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements  o Jumps may be included in the step sequence			
	Max Level: 1				

## Well-Balanced Free Skate Program

#### 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.

NO TEST — 1:40 MAX		
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
Max 5 Jump Elements  All single jumps allowed except single Axel  No single Axels, double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed  Number of single jumps (except single Axels) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded  Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences  Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is allowed  Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump (waltz jump)	Max 2 Spins  • Spins may change feet and/or position  • Spins may start with a flying entry  • Min 3 revs  These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))	Max 1 Sequence  • Step sequence  o Must use one-half the ice surface  o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements  o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

PRE-PRELIMINARY — 1:40 MAX				
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES		
<ul> <li>Max 5 Jump Elements</li> <li>All single jumps, including single Axel, allowed <ul> <li>No double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed</li> <li>Axel may be repeated once as a solo jump or part of a jump sequence or combination (maximum of 2 single Axels)</li> <li>Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> </ul> </li> <li>Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences <ul> <li>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Max 2 Spins  • Spins may change feet and/or position  • Spins may start with a flying entry  • Min 3 revs  These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))	Max 1 Sequence  • Step sequence  o Must use one-half the ice surface  o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements  o Jumps may be included in the step sequence		

PRELIMINARY — 1:30 +/- 10 SEC. **2:00 +/- 10 SEC** BEGINS DEC. 1, 2021					
JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES			
<ul> <li>Max 5 Jump Elements</li> <li>1 must be an Axel-type jump or a waltz jump*</li> <li>All single jumps, including single Axel, allowed. Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (limited to double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop)o Double flip, double Lutz, double Axel, triple and quadruple jumps not allowed o An Axel plus up to two different, allowed double jumps may be repeated once (but not more) as solo jumps or part of a jump sequence or combination o Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>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</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</li> </ul>	Max 2 Spins Spins may change feet and/or position Spins may start with a flying entry Min 3 revs  These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))	Max 1 Sequence  • Step sequence  o Must use one-half the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but willnot be countedas elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence Beginning Dec. 1, 2021 • Choreographic step sequence (full ice)			

### Showcase Events

Showcase events are open to skaters in the Basic, Free Skate, limited beginner, preliminary and adult bronze levels. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event or highest test level of skater's in the group ensemble or production number. If a free skate event is not being entered, skaters must enter at their current test level or one level higher.

Show costumes are permitted if they do not touch or drag on the ice. Costuming and make up for showcase programs should enhance the feeling created by the performance and reflect the meaning of the story or theme. Ornaments and hair accessories must be secure. No bobby pins, feathers, hair accessories or anything else that may fall to the ice and be hazardous to the skaters are allowed. (a 0.1 deduction will be taken). Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute on and off and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal. A 0.1 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judge's mark for every 10 seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint for theatrical qualities. Technical skating skills and difficulty willnot be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to sup- port the selected theatrical elements. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious loss of control will re- duce contestant's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of props and ice. The 6.0 judging system will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

\* For specific guidelines regarding the conduct of showcase competitions, refer to the nonqualifying showcase guidelines posted on usfigureskating.org.

#### Showcase categories may include:

- Levels can be subdivided or combined, if necessary, depending on entry numbers and event set up to ensure performances
  are contested as per the guidelines.
- 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/Trios: Theatrical/artistic performances by 2 to 3 skaters.
- · Mini production ensembles: Theatrical performances by four to seven competitors.
- Production ensembles: Theatrical performances by eight to 30 skaters. Theatre On Ice teams are eligible as production ensembles. NOTE: Skaters may enter only one each duet, mini production or production event

## **Showcase Events**

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
BASIC 1-6	Elements only from Basic 1-6 curriculum	Must not have passed any higher than Basic 6 level	Time: 1:00max
PRE-FREE SKATE – FREE SKATE 6/ BEGINNER/HIGH BEGINNER/ADULT 1-6/ ADULT BEGINNER/ADULT HIGH BEGINNER	3 jump maximum. Half- rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps:Salchow and toe loop	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate or free dance tests	Time: 1:30max
NO TEST	No prescribed or restricted elements	Must not have passed pre-preliminary free skate or any free dance tests	Time: 1:30max
PRE-PRELIMINARY	No prescribed or restricted elements	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary or any free dance test	Time: 1:30max
ADULT PRE-BRONZE	No prescribed or restricted elements	Must have passed no higher than adult pre- bronze free skate test; see National Showcase guidelines for more specific information regarding adults	Time: 1:40max
PRELIMINARY/ADULT BRONZE	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate or adult bronze free skate or free dance test; see National Showcase guidelines for more specific information regarding adults	Time: 1:40max

## Adaptive Skating - Special Olympics

#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS BADGE 1-12

Competition hosts can use the skills listed below to create either an elements event or program event for Special Olympics competitors. If doing a program, music can be used and will be 1:10 max.

#### BADGE 1

- · Stand unassisted for five seconds
- · Sit on ice or fall and stand up unassisted
- · Knee dip standing still unassisted
- · March forward 10 steps assisted

#### BADGE 2

- March forward ten steps unassisted
- Swizzles, standing still three repetitions
- · Backward wiggles or march assisted
- · Two-foot glide forward for distance of at least length of body

#### BADGE 3

- Backward wiggles or march
- Five forward swizzles covering at least 10 feet
- Forward skating across the rink
- Forward gliding dip covering at least length of body (R and L)

#### BADGE 4

- · Backward two-foot glide covering at least length of body
- Two-foot jump in place
- One-foot snowplow stop (R and L)
- Forward one-foot glide covering at least length of body: (R and L)

#### BADGE 5

- $\bullet \ \ Forward\ stroking\ across\ rink$
- Five backward swizzles covering at least 10 feet
- Forward two-foot curves left and right across rink
- Two-foot turn front to back, in place

#### BADGE 6

- Gliding forward to backward two-foot turn
- Five consecutive forward half-swizzles on circle (R and L)
- Backward one-foot glide length of body (R and L)
- · Forward pivot

#### BADGE 7

- A) Backward stroking across the rink
- B) Gliding backward to forward two-foot turn
- C) T-stop (R and L)
- D) Forward two-foot turn on a circle (R and L)

#### BADGE 8

- Five consecutive forward crossovers (R and L)
- Forward outside edge (R and L)
- Five consecutive backward half-swizzles on a circle (R and L)
- Two-foot spin

#### BADGE 9

- Forward outside three-turn (R and L)
- Forward inside edge (R and L)
- · Forward lunge or shoot the duck at any depth
- Bunny hop

#### BADGE 10

- Forward inside three-turn (R and L)
- Five consecutive backward crossovers (R and L)
- Hockey stop
- Forward spiral three times length of body

#### BADGE 11

- Consecutive forward outside edges minimum of two on each foot
- Consecutive forward inside edges minimum of two on each foot
- Forward inside mohawk (R and L)
- Consecutive backward outside edges minimum of two on each foot
- · Consecutive backward incide edges minimum of two on each

#### BADGE 12

- Waltz jump
- One foot spin, minimum of three revolutions
- Forward crossover, inside mohawk, backward crossover, step forward — step sequence should be repeated clockwise and counter clockwise
- Combination of three moves chosen from badges 9-12

### Special Olympics Singles Free SkateLevels 1-3,

For full event descriptions, please refer to the Special Olympics Figure Skating Sport Rules.

Skater may start program at any spot on the ice surface.

Judging and timing will begin when skater commences to skate.

The program must be performed to music, instrumental OR vocal music.

Elements can be performed in any order.

A mandatory deduction will be made for each added element from a higher Badge level.

For the singles Free Skate programs, the program will not exceed a time limit of one minute, plus or minus ten seconds.

#### LEVEL 1 FREE SKATE PROGRAM

Eligibility: A skater competing in Level 1 must be able to complete the skills required in Badges 1-5 but no higher.

The skaters will perform the selected six elements listed below from Badges 1- 5.

Additional elements will receive no value and will not be counted but can be used as transitional moves as long as they are only from Badge 1-5.

If an element can be performed in place or moving, moving is considered as better quality:

- Forward swizzles (at least 5)
- Backward swizzles (at least 5)
- · Forward one-foot glide left and right
- Two-foot jump in place or moving (forward only)
- · One-foot forward snowplow stop (left or right)
- Forward two-foot curves left and right (feet should be parallel and leaning on a curve)

No elements above Badge 5 are to be included. A manda-tory deduction will be made for each added element from ahigher badge level.

#### LEVEL 2 FREE SKATE PROGRAM

Eligibility: A skater competing in Level 2 must be able to complete the skills required in Badges 1-9 but no higher.

The skaters will perform the selected seven elements listed below from Badges 1-9.

Additional elements will receive no value and will not be counted but can be used as transitional moves as long as they are only from Badge 1-9.

If an element can be performed in place or moving, moving is considered as better quality:

- · Bunny hop
- T-stop left or right
- Backward stroking (6-8 strokes alternating feet)
- Forward two-foot spin (minimum of three revolutions)
- Forward outside three-turn (left and right) (in place or moving) – this is considered as one element and the three turns must consecutively follow each other, but minimal steps in between are allowed
- Consecutive forward crossovers (left and right) in one figure eight pattern (4-6 crossovers per circle)
- Forward lunge or Shoot the Duck (at any depth)

#### LEVEL 3 FREE SKATE PROGRAM

Eligibility: A skater competing in Level 3 must be able to complete the skills required in Badges 1-12 but no higher.

The skaters will perform the selected seven elements listed below from Badges 1-12.

Additional elements will receive no value and will not be counted but can be used as transitional moves as long as they are only from Badge 1-12.

If an element can be performed in place or moving, moving is considered as better quality:

- Forward spiral
- One-foot upright spin/Scratch Spin (minimum of three (3) revolutions)
- · Waltz Jump in place or moving
- Consecutive backwards crossovers (left and right) in one figure eight pattern (4-6 crossovers per circle)
- Consecutive forward inside edges (set of four edges alternating feet = a total of four edges)
- Forward inside three-turn (left and right) (in place or moving) – this is considered as one element and the three turns must consecutively follow each other, but minimal steps in between are allowed
- Step Sequence consisting of steps and turns from Badge 9-12 (covering at least half of the ice surface, straight line or circular pattern can be used)