

# **The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Pasadena Open Championships**

Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating

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**Thursday, September 15 – Sunday, September 18, 2016**

Pasadena Ice Skating Center

300 E. Green Street, Pasadena, CA 91101

**ENTRY DEADLINE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2016**

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The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Pasadena Open Championships will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website.

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

### **SERIES INFORMATION:**

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INTER-CLUB INVITATIONAL SERIES**

This event is part of the Southern California Inter-Club Invitational Series. Top point scorers at the end of the season will be invited to the Invitational Final. Please see the Southern California Inter-Club Association website at <http://www.socalinterclub.org/> for more information.

### **ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

**Test level:** Competition level is determined by the highest free skating test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event.

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

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

**ENTRY FEES:**

Entries must be completed via Entryeeze at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com) or by visiting [www.pasadenafsc.com](http://www.pasadenafsc.com) to access the link by **August 20, 2016, midnight PST**. Late entries will be subject to the approval of the Chief Referee and will be assessed a late entry fee of \$35.00. There will be a \$35.00 charge for returned checks.

<b>First Event (Intermediate through Senior FS)</b>	\$ 100.00
<b>First Event (Juvenile and Open Juvenile FS)</b>	\$ 90.00
<b>First Event (Pre-Preliminary – Pre-Juv Artistic and Adult FS)</b>	\$ 85.00
<b>First Event (No Test level or Basic Skills)</b>	\$ 60.00
<b>Compulsory Moves (If the only event entered)</b>	\$ 60.00
<b>Each Additional Singles Event</b>	\$ 50.00
<b>Pair Events (*per person)</b>	\$ 50.00
<b>Additional Online Processing Fee</b>	4%
<b>Late Fee</b>	\$ 35.00

All singles and pairs events (Compulsory Program, Free Skating and Artistic) are considered separate events. The Short Program, for Intermediate and above levels, is part of the Free Skating event and is not subject to any additional fee.

**Club permissions and Coach approval** will be processed through Entryeeze. After the completion of skater's registration, e-mails will automatically be sent to the skater's club and coach for their approvals. There will be a **\$50 charge** for event changes due to skater/coach error.

**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded after the entry deadline of August 20, 2016 unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. Refunds of entry fees will be made for withdrawals made prior to the close of entries. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be assessed a \$35 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or competition events.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:** Schedule of events will be posted at the Pasadena Ice Skating Center, on Entryeeze and on the Pasadena FSC website. E-mail notification will be sent when it is posted. The competition schedule is tentative and subject to change.

**FACILITIES:**

**ARENA:** The ice surface is **200 feet by 85 feet** (NHL size) and is fully enclosed. The ice rink is located on Green Street between Marengo and Euclid on the east side of the Pasadena Civic Auditorium.

**PARKING:** Parking is available at the Pasadena Center. Enter at the "Sheraton" sign on either Marengo Street or Euclid Street. Posted signs will direct you to the parking closest to the ice rink. The parking fee is \$9.00 per day, but you may bring your parking stub to the Pro Shop for validation and receive \$2.00 off the ticket price. Parking management does not allow exit and re-entry for any reason. Several other parking garages are available within walking distance of the ice rink. You can also park at the Paseo Colorado Mall directly across Green Street from the Pasadena Civic Auditorium. It is free for the first 90 minutes, \$1.50/half hour

thereafter. You can get up to 2 hours of free parking with validation from most businesses located in the Paseo Colorado Mall.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** The official hotel for the Pasadena Open Championships is the Hilton Pasadena located at 168 South Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101. Please contact the hotel directly to make reservations at 626-577-1000.

Adjacent to the Pasadena Ice Skating Center is the Sheraton Pasadena Hotel, located at 303 Cordova Street, Pasadena, CA 91101. Please contact the hotel directly to make reservations at 626-449-4000. The Paseo Colorado is an upscale shopping center located across the street with many fine restaurants, and a multiplex movie theater.

**MUSIC:** Skaters are to provide their CDs (standard format only, no CD-RW discs) with only one program on each. Each CD should be clearly marked with the skater's name, event, and length of music. Music must be turned in to the registration desk at the time of check-in for the event. Skaters should have a back-up CD available. Vocal music is allowed for all events.

Music may be picked up at the registration desk following each event. All reasonable care will be taken, but the Pasadena Figure Skating Club cannot be responsible for music left at the end of the competition.

*LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, the Pasadena Figure Skating Club and the Pasadena Ice Skating Center accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.*

**JUDGING SYSTEM:** The International Judging System (IJS) and electronic data entry will be used for the following events:

- Freeskate events, pre-juvenile - senior
- Short program events, juvenile – senior
- Pairs free skate events, pre- juvenile – senior
- Pairs short program events, intermediate – senior
- Adult events, Gold and Masters intermediate -senior

All competitors skating in these events need to submit a planned program content form online via Entryeeze. **The deadline to submit the form is August 20, 2016.**

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for:

- Basic Skills events, compulsory moves, Showcase dramatic/light, beginner (Astro), high beginner (Comet), and no-test (Star) events
- Pre-preliminary and preliminary events
- Adult events, pre-bronze through silver

**REGISTRATION DESK:** Registration will be open one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The registration table will be located adjacent to the entrance of the rink. Please register promptly upon arrival. **All competitors are required to register one hour prior to their scheduled events.**

**PRACTICE ICE:**

Official practice ice schedules will be announced and posted on our website at [www.pasadenafsc.com](http://www.pasadenafsc.com). Available practice ice sessions can be pre-purchased online via Entryeeze; walk-ons are subject to session availability. No music will be allowed during the official practice ice. For regular freestyle sessions, please call the Pasadena Ice Skating Center

for more information at 626-578-0801 or visit their website at [www.skatepasadena.com](http://www.skatepasadena.com). PFSC club sessions are held every Saturday: first session from 8:00 am – 9:00 am and second session from 9:00 am – 10:00 am. The fee for non-members is \$15.00 per session.

**PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:** Commercial video and photography will be provided during the competition. All other video taping and photography is restricted to hand-held/battery operated equipment (no tripods). ***No photography or video taping will be allowed unless permission is given by the skater. Flash photography is prohibited while competitors are skating. As a courtesy to our vendors, personal video and photography is prohibited during podium shots.***

**AWARDS:** Medals will be awarded to first through fourth place finishers for all events. If an event consists of a short program and a free skate, medals will be awarded to the overall first through fourth place finishers.

### **JACQUELINE S. HAAK MEMORIAL TROPHY**

The Jacqueline S. Haak Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the skater who gives, in the opinion of selected judges, the most outstanding performance of the competition. Skaters from the **Juvenile level and above** are eligible to receive this special trophy. The Perpetual Trophy will be engraved with the winner's name and event, and will remain in the possession of the PFSC with a replica given to the winner.

### **FUTURE STAR TROPHY**

The Future Star Trophy will be awarded to the skater who gives, in the opinion of selected judges, the most outstanding performance of the competition at the **Pre-Juvenile level and below**. This is a special trophy and does not have a perpetual component.

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

### **INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:**

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Compliance

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

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

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

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

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions. We strongly urge *all* coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without compliance is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and to the PSA. For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaching%20Compliance%20Toolkit.pdf>

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**PROTOCOLS:** For IJS events, a complete set of protocols for each skater/event will be available after the results are posted. Protocols and results will be available for purchase at the registration desk.

**ADMISSION:** Adults: \$5/day Senior 65 and older: \$3/day  
Children 12 and under: Free  
All Event Pass: \$12 for Friday, Saturday, Sunday

**CREDENTIALS:** At the time of registration, each competitor will receive (1) credential at no charge. One coach per skater will receive (1) credential at no charge (credential must be requested on Entryeeze at time of entry). Each coach will need to present their Coach Registration Card and a government issued ID at the registration desk to receive their credential. Each coach is required to have their credential in order to put their skater onto the ice for their event.

#### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

<b>SINGLES FREE SKATING</b>	<b>COMPULSORY</b>	<b>SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/ LIGHT</b>	<b>LEARN TO SKATE USA SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT</b>
Astro Comet Star Pre-Preliminary Preliminary Pre-Juvenile Juvenile Short Program Juvenile Freeskate Open Juvenile Short Program Open Juvenile Freeskate Intermediate* Novice * Junior * Senior * Adult Pre-Bronze Adult Bronze Adult Silver Adult Gold Adult Masters Int./Novice Adult Master Junior/Senior	Comet Star Pre-Preliminary Preliminary Pre-Juvenile Juvenile Open Juvenile  <b>PAIRS</b> Pre-Juvenile Juvenile Intermediate * Novice * Junior * Senior *	Comet Star Pre-Preliminary Preliminary Pre-Juvenile Juvenile Open Juvenile Intermediate Novice Junior Senior Adult Pre-Bronze Adult Bronze Adult Silver Adult Gold Adult Masters Int. /Novice Adult Masters Junior/Senior	Basic 1-6 Free skate 1-6  <b>LEARN TO SKATE USA PROGRAM EVENTS</b> Snowplow Sam Basic Skill 1-6 Free Skate 1-6  <b>LEARN TO SKATE USA ELEMENTS/COMPULSORY EVENTS</b> Snowplow Sam Basic Skill 1-6 Free Skate 1-6  <b>LEARN TO SKATE USA INTRODUCTORY LEVELS COMPULSORY EVENTS</b> Beginner High Beginner

\*These are combined events with both a short program and a free skate.



## U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competitions

**EVENT:** Introductory Levels Free Skate Program

Please visit USFS website for further details:

[2016-2017 Well Balanced Elements for No Test - Senior](#)

Please refer to 2016 Governing Council Combined Report of Action for further details:

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Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Beginner (Astro) 1:40 Maximum	<p>Max. 5 jump elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front).</li> <li>Max. 2 jump sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same jump</li> </ul>	<p>Max. 2 spins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> </ul>	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
High Beginner (Comet) 1:40 Maximum	<p>Max. 5 jump elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop)</li> <li>Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only.</li> <li>Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences</li> <li>Max. 2 of any same type jump.</li> </ul>	<p>Max. 2 spins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions)</li> </ul>	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
No-Test (Star) 1:40 Maximum	<p>Please visit USFS website for further details:</p> <p><a href="#">16-2017 Well Balanced Elements for No Test - Senior</a></p>			

## **EVENT: Well Balanced Program Free Skate**

General event parameters:

1. Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.
2. 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.
3. Either IJS (pre-juvenile and above) or the 6.0 (up through preliminary level) judging system may be used for this event.
4. All relevant and appropriate IJS rules will be used. Coaches and athletes are expected to be aware of these rules by reading the documents on [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org) , under "Technical Information," then "Singles/Pairs"

Please visit USFS website for further details:

[2016-2017 Well Balanced Elements for No Test - Senior](#)

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## **U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competitions**

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### **EVENT: Adult Free Skate**

General event parameters: If there are fewer than 2 skaters in any Adult event at close of entries, that event will may be cancelled or combined with other events. **Skaters must be 21 years of age or older as of August 20, 2016.** Skaters may skate up 1 level from current test level.

1. Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.
2. 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.
3. Minimum number of spin revolutions are in parentheses following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.
4. The following deductions for 6.0 events will be taken:
  - -0.1 from each mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
  - -0.2 from the technical mark for each extra element included.
  - -0.1 from the technical mark for any spin that is less than the required minimum revolutions.

Please visit USFS website for further details:

[Adult Well-Balanced Free Skate](#)

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### **SINGLES SHORT PROGRAM**

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



Please visit USFS website for further details:

[2016-17 Singles Short Program Elements for Intermediate-Senior](#)

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- A. Juvenile/Open Juvenile short program – Rule 4230, but no triples allowed
- B. Intermediate short program – Rule 4230
- C. Novice short program – Rule 4220
- D. Junior short program – Rule 4210
- E. Senior short program – Rule 4200

## **SINGLES COMPULSORY MOVES**



### **U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competitions**

#### **EVENT: Introductory Levels Compulsory Event**

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

- To be skated on ½ ice
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Waltz jump</li><li>2. ½ jump of choice</li><li>3. Forward two-foot or one-foot spin, minimum three revolutions (free leg position optional)</li><li>4. Forward or backward spiral</li></ol>
High Beginner	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Toe loop jump</li><li>2. Salchow jump</li><li>3. Forward scratch spin - minimum three revolutions</li><li>4. Forward or backward spiral</li></ol>
No-Test	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Loop jump</li><li>2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)</li><li>3. Solo spin - sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li><li>4. Spiral sequence, must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included.</li></ol>



## U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competitions

### EVENT: COMPULSORY MOVES

General event parameters:

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

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre – Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single flip <b>(for competitions held before December 31, 2014)</b> Single Toe Loop <b>(for competitions held after January 1, 2015)</b></li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)</li> <li>3. Sit spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Spiral sequence with one forward spiral and one backward spiral (any edge)</li> </ol>
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Lutz</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>3. Back upright spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Forward inside spiral</li> </ol>
Pre – Juvenile	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single jump (may include Axel)</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>3. Layback spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence - circular</li> </ol>
Juvenile & Open Juv.	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single or double/single</li> <li>3. Layback spin or camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – circular</li> </ol>
Intermediate	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double Salchow or double toe loop</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single or double/single</li> <li>3. Flying spin, minimum five revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>
Novice	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double loop</li> <li>2. Jump combination: double/single or double/double</li> <li>3. Flying spin - minimum five revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>
Junior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double flip</li> <li>2. Jump combination: double/double or triple/double</li> <li>3. Combination spin - minimum 10 revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>
Senior	1:30 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Double Lutz</li> <li>2. Jump combination: double/double or triple/double</li> <li>3. Combination spin - minimum 10 revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – straight line</li> </ol>

### PAIRS FREE SKATING EVENTS

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

Please visit USFS website for further details:

[2016-17 Pairs Free Skate Requirements](#)

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### **PAIRS SHORT PROGRAM EVENTS**

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

[2016-17 Pairs Short Program Requirements](#)

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- A. Intermediate short program – Rule 5230
- B. Novice short program – Rule 5220
- C. Junior short program – Rule 5210
- D. Senior short program – Rule 5200

## **SHOWCASE DRAMATIC AND LIGHT EVENTS**

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**DRAMATIC AND LIGHT** events are offered for each division. Skaters may enter either or both within their test level. Skaters who enter more than one showcase event must perform different programs in each showcase event they enter with different music, costumes and choreography for each routine. Dramatic programs are serious performances usually intense with emotion. Light Entertainment programs are programs that have showmanship and have entertainment value.

Competitors must enter the showcase event at the same level as their free skating event. Eligibility rules for Singles free skating shall apply except where levels are combined. Showcase Dramatic and Showcase Light events of the same level may be combined if there are not enough entries in those events. Male and female skaters may also be combined.

**MUSIC:** Vocal music is permitted.

**COSTUMES:** Skating attire should reflect the character of the music chosen, but must be modest, dignified, and not garish or theatrical in design. Any ornamentation attached to the clothing must be firmly fastened so as not to fall off while skating under normal competitive conditions.

**JUDGING:** The Showcase Program is one in which the skating moves are selected for their value in enhancing the skater's artistry and interpretation of the music rather than for technical difficulty alone. Credit for jumps and spins will be based solely on their choreographic effectiveness. Nevertheless, technical errors that seriously disrupt the artistic presentation of the program will be considered in marking these events. One mark will be given for the Showcase Program.

1. The following shall be considered:
  - a. Interpretation of the music and rhythm
  - b. Musical timing and understanding of the phrasing of the music

- c. Use of entire body to develop the artistic and musical expression
  - d. Creativity
  - e. Choreography – art of arranging movements
  - f. Variation of tempo, tension, emotion, movements
  - g. Internal motivation of movements and expression projected to the audience
  - h. Suitability of music to the skater
2. Judges shall deduct 0.1 to 0.2 for the following:
- a. Prohibited jumps
  - b. Prolonged lying on the ice
  - c. An excess of two footed skating
  - d. Falls which are the fault of the skater and not part of the program and which interrupt the harmonious composition
  - e. Violation of the clothing rules, theatrical or garish make-up, removable pieces or props

#### **COMET**

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** The same as is allowed in the Free Skating Program.

**Program time:** 1:30 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

#### **STAR**

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** The same as is allowed in the Free Skating Program.

**Program time:** 1:30 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

#### **PRE-PRELIMINARY**

*Open to skaters who have not passed the Preliminary Free Skating Test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** The same as is allowed in the Free Skating Program.

**Program time:** 1:30 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

#### **PRELIMINARY**

*Open to skaters who have passed Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test but not the Pre-Juvenile Free Skating Test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps including Axel. One double jump is permitted.

**Program time:** 1:40 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

#### **PRE-JUVENILE**

*Open to skaters who have passed the Preliminary Free Skating test but not the Juvenile Free Skating Test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps including Axel. One double jump is permitted.

**Program time:** 1:40 minutes maximum. There is no minimum

#### **JUVENILE**

***Skaters must be thirteen years of age or younger as of August 20, 2016.*** Skaters must have passed the Pre-Juvenile Free Skating test but not the Intermediate Free Skating test.

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps including Axel. One double jump is permitted.

**Program time:** 2:10 minutes maximum. There is no minimum

#### **OPEN JUVENILE**

**Skaters must be 14 years of age or older as of August 20, 2016.** Rules and events are the same as the Juvenile events.

### INTERMEDIATE

*Skaters must have passed Juvenile Free Skating test, but not the Novice Free Skating Test, and have not reached the age of 18 years as of August 20, 2016.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps including Axel. One double jump is permitted.

**Program time:** 2:10 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

### NOVICE

*Skaters must have passed the Intermediate Free Skating test, but not the Junior Free Skating Test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps including Axel. One double jump is permitted.

**Program time:** 2:10 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

### JUNIOR

*Skaters must have passed the Novice Free Skating test, but not the Senior Free Skating Test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps and double jumps. No triple jumps are allowed.

**Program time:** 2:40 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

### SENIOR

*Skaters must have passed the Junior Free Skating test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps and double jumps. No triple jumps are allowed.

**Program time:** 2:40 minutes maximum. There is no minimum.

### ADULT PRE-BRONZE

*Open to skaters who have not passed the Adult Bronze Free Skating test or the Standard Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps may be included except the Axel jump. No double jumps allowed.

**Program time:** not to exceed 1:40 minutes

### ADULT BRONZE

*Open to skaters who have passed the Adult Pre Bronze Free Skating test, and no higher than the US Figure Skating Adult Bronze Free Skating test or the Standard Preliminary Free Skating test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps may be included except the Axel jump. No double jumps allowed.

**Program time:** not to exceed 1:40 minutes

### ADULT SILVER

*Open to skaters who have passed the Adult Bronze Free Skating test, and no higher than the Adult Silver Free Skating test or the Standard Juvenile Free Skating test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** All single jumps may be included including the Axel jump. No double jumps allowed.

**Program time:** not to exceed 1:40 minutes

### ADULT GOLD

*Open to skaters who have passed the Adult Silver Free Skating test, and no higher than the Standard Juvenile Free Skating test.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** No restrictions

**Program time:** not to exceed 1:40 minutes

**ADULT MASTERS INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE**

*Open to skaters who have passed at least the Standard Intermediate Free Skate test and no higher than Novice Free Skate.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** No restrictions

**Program time:** not to exceed 1:40 minutes

**ADULT MASTERS JUNIOR/SENIOR**

*Open to skaters who have passed at least the Standard Novice Free Skate.*

**SHOWCASE DRAMATIC/LIGHT PROGRAM:** No restrictions

**Program time:** not to exceed 1:40 minutes

# ***2016 PASADENA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS***



## ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

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

### **Eligibility and Test Requirements:**

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All **Snowplow Sam and Basic Skills 1-6** skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including Moves in the Field or individual dances.

For the **Pre-free skate, free skate 1-6, test track and Well Balanced levels**, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed (Moves in the Field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher, but not both levels in the same event during the same competition. Skaters may not compete at more than one level in the same type event at the same competition.

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

## ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR INSTRUCTORS/COACHES

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

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

## COMPETITION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

**Registration to Results:** If you are interested in using a competition management system, please contact Don Korte at SMS: 810-545-8118 or [dnkorte@gmail.com](mailto:dnkorte@gmail.com). This program will assist you in the administration of your competition.



## SHOWCASE EVENTS

Showcase events are offered for all levels including Learn to Skate USA. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event. 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. Skaters will be judged on musical interpretation and feeling, expression, and how the skating relates to the music. Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Only hand held props are allowed. Props must remain in the skater's hand(s) at all times. 6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

Categories include:

Light entertainment

Dramatic entertainment

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH MAXIMUM
Basic 1-6	Elements only from Basic 1-6 curriculum	May not have passed any higher than Basic 6 level.	Time 1:00
Free skate 1-6	3 jump maximum. 1/2 rotation jumps only, plus a Salchow and toe loop.	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.	Time: 1:30



## Compete USA Competitions

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

Format choice of the host: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee or have the option to perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps). Referee driven format examples: all skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on, or each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater.

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

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



## Compete USA Competitions

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

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise specified.

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

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



## Compete USA Competitions

### EVENT: Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Event

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

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

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside open Mohawk from a standstill position (R to L and L to R)</li> <li>• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions)</li> <li>• Mazurka (Right and Left)</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Backward outside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>• One-foot upright scratch spin from backward crossovers - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz jump from backward crossovers</li> <li>• Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward outside or inside spiral, right or left</li> <li>• Waltz three's, right or left, 2-3 sets</li> <li>• Beginning back spin, entry optional – minimum two revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz jump, side toe hop, Waltz jump sequence</li> <li>• Toe loop jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward crossovers in a figure 8</li> <li>• Backward inside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>• Back spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>• Sit spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump/loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Forward upright spin to back upright spin - minimum three revolutions each foot</li> <li>• Loop/loop jump combination</li> <li>• Flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Five step Mohawk sequence - one set alternating pattern (refer to Learn to Skate USA Curriculum Free Skate 6)</li> <li>• Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total</li> <li>• Split jump or stag jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence</li> <li>• Lutz jump</li> </ul>



## Compete USA Competitions

### EVENT: Free Skate 1-6 Program Event

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

- To be skated on full ice.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- Time 1:40 max.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions)</li> <li>• Mazurka (Right and Left)</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• One-foot upright scratch spin from backward crossovers - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz jump from backward crossovers</li> <li>• Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward outside spiral, right or left</li> <li>• Beginning back spin, entry optional - minimum two revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz jump, side toe hop, Waltz jump sequence</li> <li>• Toe loop jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:40 max	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward crossovers in a figure 8</li> <li>• Back spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>• Sit spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump-loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Forward upright spin to back upright spin - minimum three revolutions each foot</li> <li>• Loop-loop jump combination</li> <li>• Flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total</li> <li>• Split jump or stag jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence</li> <li>• Lutz jump</li> </ul>



## Compete USA Competitions

### EVENT: Introductory Levels Compulsory Event

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

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program.*

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