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**PACIFIC NORTHWEST INTERCLUB SKATING  
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**WENATCHEE FSC APPLE ICE CLASSIC**

*All Disciplines! All Levels! Adults, Basic Skills thru Senior,  
US Figure Skating National Solo Dance Competition Series*

*IJS Mini System to be used for  
Juvenile thru Senior Singles Freeskating Events*

*Open Juvenile and Below Freeskating and All Ice Dancing, Pairs, Showcase, and  
Adult Single Events will use the 6.0 judging system*



TO BE HELD AT  
Town Toyota Center  
1300 Walla Walla Avenue  
Wenatchee, WA



August (7) 8-10, 2014

SANCTIONED BY THE  
U. S. FIGURE SKATING and SKATE CANADA



**Entry Deadline: 11:59PM July 9, 2014**

Find current information on the web at: <http://www.wenatcheefsc.org> or <http://www.pacificwinterclub.com>  
Registration is ONLINE ONLY @ <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=204>

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The PNIC Championships/ WFSC Apple Ice Classic competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website.

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

**SERIES INFORMATION:** This competition has been approved by U.S. Figure Skating as part of the 2014 Solo Dance Series.

**ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:** Eligibility for entries is governed by tests passed as of August 6, 2014 and age as of July 9, 2014. Adult event competitors must be age 21 or over. All skaters should be prepared to show proof of age. Skaters may compete at one level higher than the event for which he/she qualifies by test but may not enter more than one level in any one event except for solo dance.

**Test level:** Competition level is the highest 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. **Skaters who placed in the top four in a final round of their last qualifying competition in their divisions must move up one level,** except for novice and higher.

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

**ENTRIES:** The entry process will be by online entry only via Entryeze, <http://comp.entryeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=204>. Please see the official competition website at <http://www.wenatcheefsc.org> or <http://www.pacificwinterclub.com> to begin the entry process. **Deadline for entries is 11:59 PM, July 9, 2014.** Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the referee and the LOC and will be subject to a \$30 late entry fee. No entries will be accepted after July 25, 2014.

**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded after July 9, 2014 unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$30 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available at <http://www.wenatcheefsc.org> or <http://www.pacificwinterclub.com> or at <http://comp.entryeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=204>. In any event with only one entry, the skater will be given the option of withdrawing from the event with entry fee refunded or skating as a single entry.

**FEES -**

The entry fee are as follows :

| <b>Event/Level</b>                                     | <b>First Event</b> | <b>Additional Events</b> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Basic Skills</b> – all levels                       | \$50               | \$25                     |
| <b>Singles</b> , including Showcase (all levels)       |                    |                          |
| Non-Test through Pre-Juvenile/ Open Juvenile           | \$85               | \$30                     |
| IJS Juvenile Freeskate                                 | \$100              | \$30                     |
| IJS Intermediate-Senior, Short and Free Skate          | \$130              | \$30                     |
| <b>Pairs</b>   |                    |                          |
| Pre-Juvenile-Intermediate                              | \$100 per team     |                          |
| Novice-Senior  | \$150 per team     |                          |
| <b>Dance - Couples</b> (pattern, short, or free dance) |                    |                          |
| Non-Test –   | \$100 per team     |                          |
| Pre-Juvenile – Novice Pattern/Free Dance               | \$150 per team     |                          |
| Junior-Senior Short/Free Dance                         | \$150 per team     |                          |

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| <b>Solo Dance</b> – all levels                            |       |      |
| Solo Pattern Dance (2 pattern dances)                     | \$85  | \$30 |
| Combo Dance (1 pattern dance or short dance & free dance) | \$150 |      |

A fee of \$30 will be charged for any checks returned for non-sufficient funds (NSF). Skaters will not be allowed to skate until all outstanding fees have been paid. Any outstanding fees must be paid at the time of check-in at the competition. Online processing fees are not included in the entry fee and will be charged separately at checkout. Entry fees are in U.S. Dollars.

**FACILITIES:** The competition will be held at Town Toyota Center located at 1300 Walla Walla Avenue, Wenatchee, WA 98801. You can contact the arena by calling (509) 667-7847. The ice dimensions of rink are 85' X 200'. There are dressing rooms available for skaters use. The arena seating area is a comfortable temperature for viewers.

**MUSIC:** The competitors are to supply their music on **CDs only** (NO CD-RWs, DVDs or mp3s). The official competition music must be turned in at the registration table at the time of check-in. A duplicate CD should be readily available rink side. Music may be picked up at the registration table following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the PNIC/WFSC or Town Toyota Center cannot be responsible for CDs left at the end of the competition. No music will be played during practice ice.

**LIABILITY:** U.S. Figure Skating, Pacific Northwest Interclub, Wenatchee Figure Skating Club, and Town Toyota 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**

**IJS Events:** The ISU Judging System (IJS) will be used for Juvenile – Senior level, Short Program and Freeskating events. There will be video replay for IJS events. **Skaters entering these events are required to submit a Planned Program Content (PPC) sheet for each IJS event entered. PPC sheets must be submitted online via EntryEeze no later than 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time, July 9, 2014.** Please see the official competition website at <http://www.wenatcheefsc.org> or <http://www.pacificnwinterclub.com> to complete PPC sheets. Late PPC sheets will be accepted in paper form with a \$30 late fee at registration before the skater can complete registration. No skater will be allowed to compete without the PPC form.

**6.0 Events:** All other events will be judged using the 6.0 Judging System. The LOC reserves the right to use the 6.0 system for some events if IJS-qualified officials are unavailable.

**REGISTRATION:** Online registration will end on July 9 at 11:59PM. The official registration desk will be open one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The registration table will be located in the concourse entry way of the Town Toyota Center. Please register promptly upon arrival.

**PRACTICE ICE:** Practice Ice must be purchased at time of registration. Practice ice is limited to one session per entered event. For skaters Intermediate-Senior levels, please be sure to request 2 practice sessions if you want a short program and freeskate practice. The practice ice sessions will be \$12 for 30 minutes prior to entry deadline of July 9 and \$15 after July 9 deadline. Skaters must check in with the ice monitor prior to taking the ice. No refunds will be given to those who do not attend their reserved practice ice. Practice ice for Intermediate to Senior will be limited to 14 skaters. All other levels will be limited to 20.

**ADMISSION:** No admission will be charged. All events are open to spectators.

**PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:** A professional video company and photographer will be at the rink. Any other professional photography/videography is prohibited. ALL award winners are encouraged to pose for the group picture,

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even if you do not plan to purchase a picture. All other videotaping and photography is restricted to hand-held battery operated equipment, without tripod, and is permissible only in the upper viewing area. No videotaping or photography from rink side. **Videotaping or photography of any skater other than your own is strictly prohibited.** Please be courteous to those viewing the event. Solicitation by any photographer or agent of anyone to be the subject of still or video photography is not permitted. For safety reasons, **no flash photography is allowed during the event.**

**AWARDS:** Awards will be presented for 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place for all Basic Skills events and 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> for Non-Test - Senior events at the awards/photography area on the concourse immediately following the official posting of each event. Award photos will be taken. We ask that all award winners pose for the group pictures even if you do not plan to purchase a picture. ***The Three Caballero Artistic Award***– This award will be presented to three skaters from the Pre-Preliminary through Senior Level, who the artistic judges feel presented the most artistic freestyle performance.

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

## **INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:**

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Compliance

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

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

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

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

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – **no exceptions.** We strongly urge *all* coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without compliance is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to:

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

**CONTACT INFO:** If you have questions, please contact Local Organizing Committee Co-Chairs Brion Salter, [brion.salter@mac.com](mailto:brion.salter@mac.com) or Pam Dawson, [pnic-comp@charter.net](mailto:pnic-comp@charter.net) .

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## ACCOMMODATIONS

| Hotel       | Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel<br>201 N. Wenatchee Ave<br>Wenatchee, WA 98801<br>509-662-1234<br><a href="http://www.coasthotels.com">www.coasthotels.com</a> | Red Lion Hotel Wenatchee<br>1225 N. Wenatchee Ave<br>Wenatchee, WA 98801<br>509-664-4531<br><a href="http://www.redlion.com">www.redlion.com</a> | Holiday Inn Express<br>1921 Wenatchee Ave<br>Wenatchee, WA 98801<br>509-663-6355<br><a href="http://www.wenatcheeexpress.com">www.wenatcheeexpress.com</a> | Springhill Suites Marriott<br>1730 N. Wenatchee Ave<br>Wenatchee, WA 98801<br>509-667-2775<br><a href="http://www.wenatcheespringhill.com">www.wenatcheespringhill.com</a> |
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| Rate:       | \$98/night single/double<br>\$225 suite   | \$99/night single/double<br>\$109/night triple<br>\$119/night quad   | \$139/night double   | \$179/double queen suites  |
| Reserve by: | July 7, 2014 –<br>Group: PNIC   | July 8, 2014 – Group: Pacific<br>Northwest Regionals/PNIC  | July 7, 2014 Group: Pacific<br>Northwest Regionals/PNIC  | July 17, 2014 Group: Pacific<br>Northwest Regionals/PNIC   |

**Note: Prices do not include applicable taxes.**

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## EVENT QUALIFICATIONS & SPECIFICATIONS

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### EVENT DEFINITIONS

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#### SHOWCASE

Showcase events will be conducted in accordance with the Non-qualifying Showcase Competition Guidelines, as published by US Figure Skating and posted under the National Showcase Program category on the US Figure Skating website. Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical and artistic qualities. Showcase will be judged using the 6.0 system by US Figure Skating judges and each judge will award one mark to each skater for Performance. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to support the selected theatrical elements. Jumps are not restricted because technical difficulty is not evaluated. However, unintentional falls, poorly executed skating elements, and obvious loss of control will be detrimental to the evaluation of the performance. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of ice. The music may be vocal and/or instrumental. The costume restrictions of Rule 4030 do not necessarily apply, provided that the Non-qualifying Showcase Competition Guidelines cited above are fully adhered to. Men and women may compete against one another in Showcase events. Showcase events may be combined at the discretion of the LOC and chief referee. Competitors who place 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> in contested showcase events will receive an invitation to compete at National Showcase. Skaters in combined events will not be eligible.

#### SHOWCASE EVENTS

Props are not required but are allowed in accordance with the Non-qualifying Showcase Competition Guidelines cited above, including restrictions on type, set-up and removal. Only skaters performing in the event are allowed to step on the ice.

Prop restrictions (a 0.2 deduction will be taken for props violating these restrictions):

- No propulsion devices will be permitted. This includes items such as cannons as well as trampolines.
- The use of smoke, fire, liquids, live animals, feathers, bubble machines or any substance that may harm the ice surface and/or skaters is not permitted.
- No mirrors or glass of any kind is allowed on the ice.
- Trampolines or other such apparatus used to assist skaters jumping into the air is not permitted

**Dramatic Entertainment:** Showcase program utilizing intense emotional skating quality to depict choreographic theme. Music used for a dramatic showcase program might be: *Schindlers List*, *Man of La Mancha*, *Andre Bocelli*, *Phantom of the Opera* and *Tosca*. Music may be from several musical genres as: Baroque, Broadway, 20th Century Contemporary, Classical, Film and Pop (these are only examples). **Props and Scenery ARE permitted.**

**Light Entertainment:** Showcase program emphasizing such choreographic expressive qualities such as comedy, love and mime while incorporating skating skills. Music selected for light entertainment might be: *Cirque Du Soleil*, *Annie Get your Gun*, *Sound of Music*, *Grease* and Frank Sinatra. Music may be from several musical genres as: Contemporary Classical, Broadway, Pop and /or New Age (these are only examples). **Props and Scenery ARE permitted.**

#### Couples Dance:

Pattern dance events may be conducted in flights, at the discretion of the Referee. All dance couples shall consist of a lady and a man. In accordance with Rule 1060, the second dance listed will be the tie-breaking dance in the event of any ordinal ties. Dance couples may provide their own music for Juvenile, Intermediate and Novice pattern dances in accordance with Rules 6241(A)2, 6231(A)2, and 6221(A)2, respectively, and likewise for Pre-Juvenile pattern dances in accordance with rules approved May 3, 2014 by the US Figure Skating Governing Council. Otherwise, pattern dance music will be as provided by the Dance Referee.



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## **Solo Pattern Dance, Solo Combined Dance:**

Details of this category, and about how this fits into the National Solo Dance Series, are included elsewhere in this announcement.

Each solo pattern dance event will consist of two pattern dances. In accordance with Rule 1060, the second dance listed will be the tie-breaking dance in the event of any ordinal ties. While the Solo Pattern Dance event is affiliated with the National Solo Dance Series, the events are open to all qualified skaters and entrants in these events are not required to be participants in the National Solo Dance Series. The solo pattern dances specified for the Solo Pattern Dance event are separate from and not affiliated with the National Solo Dance Series Combined Event. Men shall skate the Mens steps and ladies shall skate the ladies steps.

The National Solo Dance Series combined event is open only to those qualified skaters who have registered separately through US Figure Skating to participate in the National Solo Dance Series in the Combined event. This event consists of an initial round of one pattern dance (for Juvenile through Novice levels) or an initial round of short dance (for Junior and Senior levels) and a final round of free dance. Men shall skate the Mens steps and ladies shall skate the ladies steps of the pattern dances.

**Non Test Free Dance:** Neither partner may have passed the Juvenile Free Dance Test, nor have passed any pattern dance tests above the Preliminary Dance Test level. For Non Test Free Dance Level A, neither partner may have passed any Moves In The Field tests above the Pre-Preliminary test level. For Non Test Free Dance Level B, one or both partners may have passed a Moves In The Field test above the Pre-Preliminary test level. The free dance shall conform to Rule 6095, except that lifts are not allowed. This is an entry level event with the intent of having the dance couple perform a creative dance program as defined by Rule 6095 in a variety of basic dance partner positions.

**Pre Juvenile Free Dance:** Final round of Pre-Juvenile Couples Dance event, with qualifications and content as specified by the rules approved May 3, 2014 by the 2014 US Figure Skating Governing Council.

## **GROUP SPLITS & SEEDING**

Events with large numbers of entries may be split into multiple groups. Events will be split by age for Basic Skill levels through Pre-Juvenile and Adult, and by draw for Juvenile through Senior. Open Juvenile and Juvenile events may be combined in the case of insufficient entrants.

## **QUALIFYING AND FINAL ROUNDS**

Qualifying and final rounds will be held in accordance with the current U.S. Figure Skating rulebook with the following exceptions:

For Senior, Junior, Novice and Intermediate Singles and Senior, Junior and Novice Pairs Events, the qualifying rounds will consist of the Short program and Free Skate, the combined results of which will determine the qualifiers and the final round will consist of only the Free Skate. For events with no qualifying rounds, the final round will consist of both short program and free skate.

If there is more than one Juvenile Singles or Pair group, or Intermediate Pair group, a final round consisting of the Free Skate will be skated.

For Juvenile through Senior Couples Dance events, the qualifying rounds will consist of the Pattern Dances and Free Dance (Juvenile through Novice) and Short/Free Dance (Junior and Senior). Combined results determine the qualifiers and the final round will consist of only the Free Dance. For event with no qualifying rounds, the final round will consist of both pattern dances or short dance and free dance.

For Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile, Open Juvenile, and Adult Singles events, Pre Juvenile Pairs event, and Pre Juvenile and all Solo Dance events, the entries will be divided at the discretion of the Referee into groups by age, and each group will constitute a final round.

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The group size for the final rounds will be determined by the Referee.

## Approximate US Figure Skating / ISI / Skate Canada Level Equivalence

In general, Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile freeskating events, and Intermediate through Novice short program and freeskating events will be judged in accordance with the time and content requirements and restrictions specified in the current US Figure Skating rulebook.

It is preferred that Canadian entrants in these events review the time and element content of their programs against the US Figure Skating time and content requirements and restrictions and adjust their programs as necessary to ensure full credit for elements completed. However, because of the many differences between the US Figure Skating and Skate Canada time and content requirements and restrictions for the 2014-15 season, Canadian entrants will be allowed to skate their programs as choreographed under Skate Canada rules, subject to the technical and judging evaluation conditions outlined below:

### **Pre-Juvenile through Novice Events**

All element content executed within the US Figure Skating time (maximum for Novice short program and within allowance for freeskating) and content maximums for jumps, spins and sequences will be evaluated. Skating in excess of the specified US Figure Skating time (maximum for Novice short program and within allowance for freeskating) will not be penalized by the event referee, but elements completed after the maximum program time will not be evaluated by the judges.

### **Pre Juvenile Freeskating**

The first five jump elements and the first two spin elements within the US Figure Skating time allowance will be fully evaluated as performed. A sixth jump element and a third spin element will not be evaluated. A third jump combination, if attempted as one of the first five jump elements, will be evaluated as an individual jump only.

A spiral sequence within the US Figure Skating time allowance will be accepted and evaluated as a step sequence.

### **Juvenile Freeskating**

The first five jump elements and the first two spin elements within the US Figure Skating time allowance will be fully evaluated as performed. A sixth jump element and a third spin element will not be evaluated. A third jump combination, if attempted as one of the first five jump elements, will be called and evaluated as an individual jump only – based on the first jump.

A spiral sequence within the US Figure Skating time allowance will be accepted and evaluated as a choreographic sequence.

### **Intermediate Short Program**

Canadian skaters completing their six required elements as choreographed under Skate Canada rules within the 2:30 Skate Canada maximum time will be accepted and fully evaluated by the judging panel without any time penalty from the event referee.

### **Intermediate Freeskating**

The first two spin elements within the US Figure Skating time allowance will be fully evaluated as performed. A third spin element will not be evaluated.

### **Novice Freeskating**

The first six jump elements in Novice Ladies and the first seven jump elements in Novice Men within the US Figure Skating time allowance will be fully evaluated as performed. A seventh jump element (for ladies) and an eighth jump element (for men) will not be evaluated.



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## EVENTS BY LEVEL

### NO-TEST

No Free Skate tests passed. No axels or double jumps allowed. No-Test groups will be split by age.

| Event                | Duration           | Elements  |
|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| Free Skate           | 1:30 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>  |
| Showcase             | 1:30 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment  |
| Free Dance (Couples) | 1:30 (+/- 10 sec)  | Neither partner may have passed the Juvenile Free Dance Test, nor have passed any pattern dance tests above the Preliminary Dance Test level. For No Test Free Dance one or both partners may have passed a Moves In The Field test above the Pre-Preliminary test level. The free dance shall conform to Rule 6095, except that lifts are not allowed. This is an entry level event with the intent of having the dance couple perform a creative dance program as defined by Rule 6095 in a variety of basic dance partner positions. |

### PRE-PRELIMINARY

No double jumps allowed. Pre-Preliminary groups will be split by age.

| Event      | Duration           | Elements   |
|------------|--------------------|--|
| Free Skate | 1:30 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase   | 1:30 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |

### PRELIMINARY

Preliminary groups will be split by age.

| Event      | Duration           | Elements / Notes   |
|------------|--------------------|--|
| Free Skate | 1:30 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase   | 1:40 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |

### PRE-JUVENILE

Pre-Juvenile groups will be split by age.

| Event           | Duration           | Elements / Notes   |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|
| Free Skate      | 2:00 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase        | 1:40 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |
| Pairs           | 2:00 (+/- 10 secs) | (Age Under 14)   |
| Dance (Couples) |                    | (Age Under 14) Rhythm Blues, Canasta Tango   |

### JUVENILE

Juvenile groups will be split by draw. Juvenile competitors must be under age 14 on July 9, 2014.

| Event                | Duration           | Elements / Notes  |
|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| Free Skate           | 2:15 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a>                |
| Showcase             | 2:10 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment  |
| Pairs                | 2:30 (+/- 10 secs) | (Age Under 16)  |
| Dance (Couples)      |                    | (Age Under 16) Willow Waltz, Fiesta Tango   |
| Free Dance (Couples) | 2:15 (+/- 10 secs) | (Age Under 16) Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |

### Open Juvenile

Open Juvenile groups will be split by draw. Open Juvenile competitors must be age 14 or over on July 9, 2014.

| Event      | Duration           | Elements / Notes   |
|------------|--------------------|--|
| Free Skate | 2:15 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase   | 2:10 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |

### Intermediate

Intermediate groups will be split by draw. Intermediate competitors must be under age 18 on July 9, 2014.

| Event         | Duration | Elements / Notes |
|---------------|----------|------------------|
| Short Program | 2:00 max | Rule 4230        |

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| Free Skate           | 2:30 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase             | 2:10 max           | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |
| Pairs Short Program  | 2:30 max           | Rule 5230  |
| Pairs Freeskate      | 3:00 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Dance (Couples)      |                    | Fourteenstep, Rocker Foxtrot   |
| Free Dance (Couples) | 2:30 (+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |

## Novice

Novice groups will be split by draw.

| Event                | Duration                                     | Elements / Notes   |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Short Program        | 2:30 max                                     | Rule 4220  |
| Free Skate           | 3:00 (Ladies)<br>3:30 (Men)<br>(+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase             | 2:10 max                                     | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |
| Pairs Short Program  | 2:50 max                                     | Rule 5220  |
| Pairs Free Skate     | 3:30 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Dance (Couples)      |  | Starlight Waltz, Blues   |
| Free Dance (Couples) | 3:00 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |

## Junior

Junior groups will be split by draw.

| Event                | Duration                                     | Elements / Notes   |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Short Program        | 2:50 max                                     | Rule 4210  |
| Free Skate           | 3:30 (Ladies)<br>4:00 (Men)<br>(+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase             | 2:40 max                                     | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |
| Pairs Short Program  | 2:50 max                                     | Rule 5210  |
| Pairs Free Skate     | 4:00 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Short Dance (Couple) | 2:50 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Free Dance (Couples) | 3:30 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |

## Senior

Senior groups will be split by draw.

| Event                 | Duration                                     | Elements / Notes   |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Short Program         | 2:50 max                                     | Rule 4200  |
| Free Skate            | 4:00 (Ladies)<br>4:30 (Men)<br>(+/- 10 secs) | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Showcase              | 2:40 max                                     | Dramatic and Light Entertainment   |
| Pairs Short Program   | 2:50 max                                     | Rule 5200  |
| Pairs Free Skate      | 4:30 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Short Dance (Couples) | 2:50 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |
| Free Dance (Couples)  | 4:00 (+/- 10 secs)                           | Required elements can be found at <a href="http://usfigureskating.org">usfigureskating.org</a> |

## Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate

Adult events will be split by age. Skater has passed no higher than the Adult Pre Bronze Free Skate Test or the Pre-Preliminary Test. No axel or double jumps permitted.

| Event          | Duration | Elements / Notes   |
|----------------|----------|--|
| Free Skate     | 1:50 max |  |
| Adult Showcase | 1:40 max | Dramatic and Light Entertainment, Bronze & Silver combined |
| Pairs          | 2:10 max |  |

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## ADULT SILVER FREE SKATE

Adult events will be split by age.

| Event          | Duration | Elements / Notes   |
|----------------|----------|--|
| Free Skate     | 2:10 max |  |
| Adult Showcase | 1:40 max | Dramatic and Light Entertainment, Bronze and Silver combined |
| Pairs          | 2:40 max |  |

## ADULT GOLD FREE SKATE

Adult events will be split by age.

| Event            | Duration | Elements / Notes  |
|------------------|----------|---|
| Free Skate       | 2:40 max |   |
| Masters Showcase | 1:40 max | Dramatic and Light Entertainment, Gold and Masters combined |
| Pairs            | 3:40 max |   |

## ADULT MASTERS FREE SKATE (INTERMEDIATE & NOVICE)

Adult events will be split by age.

| Event            | Duration | Elements / Notes  |
|------------------|----------|---|
| Free Skate       | 3:10 max | Masters Intermediate and Novice may be combined                 |
| Masters Showcase | 1:40 max | Dramatic and Light Entertainment, Gold and all Masters combined |
| Pairs            | 3:40 max |   |

## ADULT MASTERS FREE SKATE (JUNIOR & SENIOR)

Adult events will be split by age.

| Event            | Duration | Elements / Notes  |
|------------------|----------|---|
| Free Skate       | 3:40 max | Masters Junior and Senior may be combined                       |
| Masters Showcase | 1:40 max | Dramatic and Light Entertainment, Gold and all Masters combined |

## Couples Dance:

| Levels                                    | Initial Round Pattern Dance / Short Dance                                     | Time Final Round Pattern Dance / Free Dance |
|---|---|---|
| <b>Non Test (Level A or Level B)</b>      | N/A   | 1:30 maximum                                |
| <b>Pre Juvenile</b> <i>Rule book 4440</i> | Dutch Waltz (3 patterns)<br>Cha Cha (3 patterns)                              | 2:00  |
| <b>Juvenile</b> <i>Rule book 4430</i>     | Fiesta Tango (3 patterns)<br>Willow Waltz (3 patterns)                        | 2:15  |
| <b>Intermediate</b> <i>Rule book 4420</i> | European Waltz (2 patterns, ISU)<br>Rocker Foxtrot (4 patterns)               | 2:30  |
| <b>Novice</b> <i>Rule book 4410</i>       | Paso Doble (3 patterns)<br>Starlight Waltz (2 patterns)                       | 3:00  |
| <b>Junior</b> <i>Rule book 4400</i>       | Short Dance 2:50 (rhythm requirements as specified by ISU for 2014-15 Season) | 3:30  |
| <b>Senior</b> <i>Rule book 4300</i>       | Short Dance 2:50 (rhythm requirements as specified by ISU for 2014-15 Season) | 4:00  |

## Solo Dance (3 patterns unless otherwise specified)

|                    |                                 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Preliminary</b> | Canasta Tango<br>Rhythm Blues   |
| <b>Pre-Bronze</b>  | Cha Cha<br>Fiesta Tango         |
| <b>Bronze</b>      | Hickory Hoedown<br>Willow Waltz |

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|----------------------|---|
| <b>Pre-Silver</b>    | European Waltz (2 patterns ISU pattern)<br>Foxtrot (4 patterns) |
| <b>Silver</b>        | Tango (2 patterns ISU pattern)<br>Rocker Foxtrot (4 patterns)   |
| <b>Pre-Gold</b>      | Blues<br>Starlight Waltz (2 patterns)                           |
| <b>Gold</b>          | Westminster Waltz (2 patterns)<br>Argentine Tango (2 patterns)  |
| <b>International</b> | Rhumba (4 patterns)<br>Silver Samba (2 patterns)                |

**Solo Combined Dance** Refer to the 2014 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479> for the combined event rules and details

|   | <b>Juvenile</b>   | <b>Intermediate</b>   | <b>Novice</b>  | <b>Junior</b>   | <b>Senior</b>  |
|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| <b>Pattern Dances in each level (3 patterns unless)</b> | Willow Waltz  | European Waltz (2 patterns ISU)   | American Waltz (2 patterns ISU)  | Solo Short Dance 2:00   | Solo Short Dance 2:00  |
| <b>Free Dance Time</b>                                  | 1:40  | 2:00  | 2:10   | 2:30  | 2:50   |
| <b>Content Requirements</b>                             | See TR 64.01  | See TR 64.02  | See TR 64.03   | See TR 64.04  | See TR 64.05   |
| <b>Testing Reqmt. **</b>                                | Skaters must have passed the standard preliminary solo or standard preliminary partnered pattern dance test and no higher than the complete pre-silver dance test and/or have passed the standard solo or partnered juvenile free dance test and no higher. | Skaters must have passed the standard bronze solo or standard bronze partnered pattern dance test and no higher than the complete pre-gold dance test and/or have passed the standard solo or partnered intermediate free dance test and no higher. | Skaters must have passed at least one dance of the standard silver solo or standard silver partnered pattern dance test and not the complete gold dance test and/or have passed the standard solo or partnered novice free dance test and no higher. | Skaters must have passed at least two dances of the standard pre-gold solo or standard pre-gold partnered pattern dance test and not the complete gold dance test and/or have passed the standard junior solo or partnered free dance test and no higher. | Skaters must have passed the standard solo or standard partnered gold pattern dance test and/or have passed the standard senior solo or partnered free dance test and no higher. |

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## NATIONAL SOLO DANCE COMPETITION SERIES

The PNIC Championships is a participating competition within the 2014 Solo Dance Series.

The solo pattern dance event, and combined event are being offered as part of the 2014 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series and will be conducted in accordance with the 2014 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479>. Please refer to the 2014 Solo Dance Series handbook for the current Series rules, levels and event requirements that will be in effect for this competition. Skaters interested in participating in the 2014 Solo Dance Competition Series will need to complete the online Series registration form and pay a separate additional \$15.00 registration fee to U.S. Figure Skating between November 20, 2013 and March 8, 2014

### Events Included in the 2014 Series –

#### SOLO PATTERN DANCE EVENTS

Solo Pattern Dance Event: The solo pattern dance event is comprised of two dances at each level. This event is being offered at the Preliminary, Pre-Bronze, Bronze, Pre-Silver, Silver, Pre-Gold and Gold levels. Refer to the 2014 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479> for the solo pattern dance event rules, test requirements and details.

#### COMBINED DANCE EVENT

Combined Event: The combined dance event is comprised of the following:

1. A solo pattern dance (Juvenile through Novice levels) or a solo short dance (Junior and Senior levels)
2. A solo free dance

The pattern dances competed in the combined dance event are separate from those in the solo pattern dance event and the results will not count towards the solo pattern dance event or results. This event is offered at the Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior levels. Refer to the 2014 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=479> for the combined event rules and details

#### ENTRIES

The entry process will be **online entry only via Entryeeze. Deadline for entries is 11:59PM July 9, 2014.** Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the referee and the LOC and will be subject to a \$25 late entry fee. No entries will be accepted after **July 9, 2014.**

#### FEES

See the entry fees specified in Page 2 of the full announcement.

#### JUDGING

Each solo pattern dance and solo free dance will be judged under the 6.0 judging system, with each skater receiving two marks from each judge for Technique and Timing/Expression, respectively.

#### TESTING REQUIREMENTS

All skaters must compete at their test level or one level above their highest completed dance test. The determination of level will be based upon test level at the 2013 Series entry deadline of March 8, 2014 and/or when the skater submits their registration to be a solo dance series participant, whichever date is earliest. Adult pattern dance, adult solo pattern dance, adult free dance, master's dance, master's free dance and master's solo pattern dance do not fulfill the testing requirements for any events within the 2014 Solo Dance Series.



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## U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills Competition

**ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS:** The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Basic Skills Program and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Basic Skills Program/club or any other Basic Skills Program/club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic Skills 1-8 skaters 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.

For the 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.

### **EVENT: BASIC PROGRAM EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8**

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. Vocal music is allowed.

- Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or “skate up” to one level higher.
- To be skated on full ice
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level

| Level            | Time             | Skating rules / standards   |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| Snowplow Sam 1-3 | 1:00 +/-10 secs  | <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 +/-10 secs  | <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 +/-10 secs  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward one foot glide - either foot</li> <li>• Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – 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 +/-10 secs. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward stroking</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 +/-10 secs  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standstill forward outside three-turn - R &amp; L</li> <li>• Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions</li> <li>• Backward stroking - 4-6 strokes</li> <li>• Backward snowplow stop - R or L</li> </ul>   |
| Basic 5          | 1:00 +/-10 secs  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 +/-10 secs  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standstill forward inside three-turn - R &amp; L</li> <li>• Bunny Hop</li> <li>• Forward spiral on a straight line - R or L</li> <li>• Lunge - R or L</li> <li>• T-stop - R or L</li> </ul>  |
| Basic 7          | 1:00 +/-10 secs  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standstill forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R</li> <li>• Ballet Jump - either direction</li> <li>• Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise</li> <li>• Forward inside pivot</li> </ul>  |
| Basic 8          | 1:00 +/-10 secs  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns R &amp; L</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> <li>• Mazurka - either direction</li> <li>• Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge</li> <li>• Beginning one-foot upright spin – free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position -minimum three revolutions</li> </ul> |

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## 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 element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. Vocal music is allowed.

- 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 .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:30+/-10sec

| Level        | Time          | Skating rules / standards  |
|--------------|---------------|--|
| Free Skate 1 | 1:30+/-10 sec | <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 | 1:30+/-10 sec | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward outside spiral - R or L</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 | 1:30+/-10 sec | <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 | 1:30+/-10 sec | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets -R or L</li> <li>• Sit spin- minimum three revolutions</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump/loop jump combination</li> </ul>  |
| Free Skate 5 | 1:30+/-10 sec | <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 | 1:30+/-10 sec | <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>                                     |

## EVENT: Basic Skills Showcase Events

Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic Skills 1-8 and Basic Skills Free Skate 1-6. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. 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.

Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles within one minute. A .2 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judges' mark for each five seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical qualities. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and

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be of sufficient quality to support the selected theatrical elements. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will reduce contestant's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of props and ice.

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

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

Showcase categories may include:

- Dramatic entertainment: Showcase program utilizing intense emotional skating quality to depict choreographic theme.
- Light entertainment: Showcase program emphasizing such choreographic expressive qualities such as comedy, love and mime while incorporating skating skills.

| LEVEL          | ELEMENTS   | QUALIFICATIONS   | PROGRAM LENGTH    |
|----------------|--|--|-------------------|
| Basic 1-8      | Elements only from Basic 1-8 curriculum  | May not have passed any higher than Basic 8 level.                     | Time 1:00<br>Max  |
| Free skate 1-6 | 3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop. | May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests. | Time: 1:30<br>Max |