



Skate Cleveland

September 8-9, 2023

Hosted by Winterhurst FSC
Serpentini Winterhurst Arena

I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The Skate Cleveland will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that 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.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, (if offering compete USA events) Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

SERIES INFORMATION:

- [Adult Competition Series](#)

II. ELIGIBILITY

TEST LEVEL:

As of December 1, 2022, singles athletes may opt to accelerate their test progression within U.S. Figure Skating and thus compete at level(s) best suited for their technical skillset. Athletes must still meet the minimum requirements for each level and additionally, if participating within the National Qualifying Series (NQS) or National Excel Series (Excel), they will establish a **competitive floor**.

The **competitive floor** is the lowest level an athlete can compete at and is determined only by the level selected through the EMS Series Application for NQS or Excel and is not uniquely tied to competition registration (regardless of series participation).

Eligibility Notes:

1. If an athlete participates in BOTH Excel and NQS, their NQS level may be ONE lower than their Excel level. For example, if an athlete skates Junior Excel, they may skate Novice NQS.
2. The singles free skate test levels will remain as a minimum requirement to compete.
3. Athletes may not skate down in any event.
4. This update does NOT apply to Adult, Showcase and Solo Dance.

If an athlete, coach, parent and/or guardian needs assistance with confirming their eligibility, email events@usfigureskating.org or refer to information sheet [HERE](#).

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EVENTS OFFERED:

[Program requirements for the events listed below can be found here: usfigureskating.org – Skate – Compete – Program Requirements](https://usfigureskating.org)

(If offering singles events) NOTE: Skaters may not enter an Excel and Well-Balanced free skate events at the same competition.

| SINGLES | JUDGING | 1 st Event Price | 2 nd Event Price | Add'l Events |
|---|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Excel Free Skate - Excel Preliminary – Senior & Plus events | IJS | \$145 | \$85 | \$45 |
| Excel Free Skate - Excel Beginner – Pre-preliminary | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Well Balanced Short Program | IJS | \$145 | \$85 | \$45 |
| Well Balanced Free Skate – Preliminary - Senior | IJS | \$145 | \$85 | \$45 |
| Well Balanced Free Skate – No test – Pre-Preliminary | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Adult Free Skate (Adult Pre-Bronze – Bronze) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Adult Free Skate (Adult Silver – Master Jr/Sr) | IJS | \$145 | \$85 | \$45 |
| Adult Beginner & High Beginner Free Skate | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| SPECIALTY | JUDGING | 1 st Event Price | 2 nd Event Price | |
| Compulsory Moves (No Test–Pre-Juvenile) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Adult Jumps Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Spins Challenge (Beginner-Pre-Preliminary) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Spins Challenge (Preliminary - Senior) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Adult Spins Challenge (Adult Beginner–Bronze) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| Adult Spins Challenge (Adult Silver–Masters Jr/Sr) | 6.0 | \$110 | \$45 | \$45 |
| SHOWCASE | JUDGING | | | |
| Mini Production Ensemble | CJS | \$70 + \$10 per skater | | |
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| COMPETE USA EVENTS | JUDGING | 1 st Event Price | 2 nd Event Price | |
| Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music | 6.0 | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |
| Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music | 6.0 | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |
| Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music | 6.0 | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |
| Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements | 6.0 | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |
| Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves | 6.0 | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |
| Adult 1-6 Compulsory Moves | 6.0 | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |
| Compete USA – Team Compulsory | 6.0 | \$60 per Team | | |
| Compete USA – Showcase | CJS | \$65 | \$40 | \$40 |

- Skaters registering in both a Basic Skills event and a Beginner event must pay the Beginner 1st event fee and then the additional event fee for the other events.
- Please ensure you have checked the correct boxes while registering. If you incorrectly mark a box that results in the event needing to be changed after August 11, 2023, you will be assessed a \$30 fee per changed event.
- Please Note: There will be a service charge assessed of \$35 for all credit card disputes.

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OUR COMMUNITY:

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understand its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

NON-DISCRIMINATION:

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® Program received, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the most current [SkateSafe® Program Handbook](#) for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating's Code of Ethics (*GR 1.01*) and Code of Conduct (*GR 1.02*), as detailed within the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe or email SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org.

SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE:

For full details about SkateSafe compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe webpage: www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe.

COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

TEAM SERVICE PERSONNEL

Teams are permitted a maximum of two team service personnel. Team service personnel must have a green lighted background check and completed SafeSport™ training. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions. Team service personnel is defined as those indicated as a team manager and/or team service personnel planning to attend the competition with the team.

(Required if you are offering any team or partner events) MANDATORY ATHLETES

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete SafeSport™ Training. *

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport™ Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be SkateSafe compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email skatesafe@usfigureskating.org for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The online registration deadline is 11:59pm on August 6, 2023. If space permits applications may be accepted after this date with approvals from the chairperson and chief referee only and a \$40 late fee will be assessed. A parent or guardian AND a club official or Learn to Skate Director must approve the application. Registration is available at <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=311>.

TEST CREDIT:

Test credit is available. Please email sscspringfling@gmail.com the skaters name and event for test credit by September 7, 2023. You will receive an email in reply with a link to pay for the test credit which must be paid immediately

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

All Skaters must upload their music to entryeeze upon registration. Music must be in an MP3 format and the deadline to upload music is August 24, 2023. A \$25 late fee will be assessed for any music not uploaded by August 24, 2023. Leaders and trailers (silence or "dead space" before and after the actual start and end of the program music) may not exceed 2 seconds. We prefer that there be NO leaders or trailers at all. Excessive leaders and trailers may disrupt the playing of the music during the competition. Music will **only** be played from the music uploaded to entryeeze and CDs will only be used as a back up if there is a technical difficulty.

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cd. Phones and electronic devices will not be accepted as a backup copy of music.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD – FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY:

Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit their PPC in entryeeze upon registration. PPCs must be submitted by August 24, 2023. A \$25 late fee will be assessed for any PPC not submitted by the August 24, 2023 deadline

REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA, Winterhurst FSC and Serpentini Winterhurst Arena 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.

IV. COMPETITION DETAILS

FACILITIES:

Serpentini Arena at Winterhurst
14740 Lakewood Hts. Blvd
Cleveland, OH 44107

<https://www.serpentiniarena.com/open-skate>

Both the ice surfaces measure 200 X 85 feet with rounded corners.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

LOCKER ROOMS:

Locker rooms and changing areas at U.S. Figure Skating competitive events are for athletes only, will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made for athletes under 11 years old that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SkateSafe Handbook (both found on the [U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe](#) page).

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LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS (TEAM LOCKER ROOMS):

The designated team coach, team manager, team service personnel and athletes competing at the skating event are allowed in the Locker Rooms/Changing Area designated for their team. All Locker Rooms/Changing Areas will be monitored. If any concerns arise, immediately contact the Locker Room/Changing Area monitor. If there are concerns regarding this policy, an athlete should change prior to arriving at the competition. The use of any recording and photographic devices inside a Locker Room/Changing Area is strictly prohibited. Any violation of this policy is punishable under the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe policy and U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:

Information can be found at <https://www.winterhurstfsc.com/> and <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=311>. A bulletin board will be available in the lobby near the registration desk. Please check the bulletin board for any updates. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition.

SCHEDULE

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

PRACTICE ICE:

Practice ice will be available for purchase through entryeeze after the schedule is posted. An email will be sent to all skaters and coaches with information on purchasing practice ice.

ONSITE CHECK-IN:

Check-in will be in the lobby and open one hour before the first event each day.

AWARDS:

Medals will be awarded 1st through 3rd place and will be available at the awards table in rink 1. Ribbons will be awarded to all other placements. Awards will be available after the official posting of the results.

PHOTO/VIDEO:

828 Studios will be providing photo and video. A video is included in the entry fee for each full ice event and information on the digital downloads will be emailed to you by 828 Studios. Photos will be available for purchase thru 828 Studios.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Official Hotel:

DoubleTree by Hilton Westlake

1100 Crocker Road

Westlake, Ohio 44145

440-871-6000

Call and ask for the Winterhurst FSC participants room block or click <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/winterhurst-figure-skating-participants/>

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CONTACT INFORMATION:

<https://www.winterhurstfsc.com/copy-of-sk8-cle-2022-page>

<http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=311>

For questions, please contact Nicky Kappenhagen or Tanya Sample at clecompetitions@gmail.com.