



U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competitions

EVENT: Showcase Events – Individual Entertainment Events

Skaters may enter any or all events for which they are qualified by test level at non-qualifying competitions. Skaters cannot skate in different levels of the same event (example: a Dramatic Performance junior level skater would not be allowed to skate Dramatic Performance Junior and Senior at the same competition).

- **Dramatic Performance:** Programs should portray a story, expressing conflict, resolution and/or depth of emotion. Skater should provoke an emotional response with the audience - through related skating movements, gestures and choreographic processes. The entire spectrum of emotions should be considered, not just negative ones in selection of the piece being used (for example: love, loss, longing, fulfillment). Props and Scenery are permitted. No Technical Limitations.
- **Choreographic Artistry:** Programs will have music without spoken words or lyrics. Technical elements/moves will be limited to no more than ½ rotation jumps, 1 full spin, additional spins with 3 or fewer revolutions. Emphasis should be on developing movement on the ice, using the entire body to express abstract ideas and choreographic processes and gestures. Props and Scenery are NOT allowed. Open to Juvenile through Senior levels only. Costuming should be simple with minimal adornment.
- **Lyrical Pop:** Perform to your favorite song containing lyrics, without lip-synching. Props and Scenery are NOT allowed. No technical limitations.
- **Character Performance:** Skaters will impersonate a character, original or adapted, on the ice. Performances as a character from a movie, musical, book, original idea, original adaptation are all welcome here. Lip Synching is permitted. Props and Scenery are permitted. No technical limitations.
- **Comedic Impressions:** A humorous performance intentionally designed to achieve continuous/multiple chuckles, laughs, or rises from viewers. Performance is projected outward towards audience and entertaining through skating movements, gestures and physical actions deemed comedic. Props and Scenery are permitted. No technical limitations.

General event parameters:

1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed, as listed in the table below. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
2. The determination of level will be based upon test requirement at the entry deadline.
3. Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at Members Only under Skating Opportunities -> Showcase -> Rules & Resources.

Levels:

Except for Adult events, skaters must compete at the highest level for which they qualify.

Event	Must meet requirements* Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track)	Must not have passed Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test	Age	Time
Beginner, High Beginner, No Test* <i>Note: these levels do not qualify for National Showcase</i>		Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	No minimum age (max age 17)	1:30 max
Pre-Preliminary* <i>Note: this level does not qualify for National Showcase</i>		Preliminary Free Skate	No minimum age (max age 17)	1:30 max
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate	Pre Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age (max age 17)	1:30 +/- 10 seconds
Pre Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate	Juvenile Free Skate OR Juvenile Free Dance	No minimum age (max age 17)	1:30 +/- 10 seconds
Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate, Juvenile Free Dance, OR Preliminary Pattern Dance	Intermediate Free Skate, Intermediate Free Dance, OR Bronze Pattern Dance	Under 13	2:00 +/- 10 seconds
Open Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate, Juvenile Free Dance, OR Preliminary Pattern Dance	Intermediate Free Skate, Intermediate Free Dance, OR Bronze Pattern Dance	13-17	2:00 +/- 10 seconds
Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate, Intermediate Free Dance, OR Bronze Pattern Dance	Novice Free Skate, Novice Free Dance, OR Pre Silver Pattern Dance	17 and under	2:10 max
Young Adult	Juvenile Free Skate, Juvenile Free Dance, OR Preliminary Pattern Dance	Novice Free Skate, Novice Free Dance, OR Pre Silver Pattern Dance	18-20	2:10 max
Novice	Novice Free Skate, Novice Free Dance, OR Pre- Silver Pattern Dance	Junior Free Skate, Junior Free Dance, OR Silver Pattern Dance	No Age Restriction	2:10 max
Junior	Junior Free Skate, Junior Free Dance, OR Silver Pattern Dance	Senior Free Skate, Senior Free Dance, OR Gold Pattern Dance		2:30 max
Senior	Senior Free Skate, Senior Free Dance, OR Gold Pattern Dance	N/A		2:40 max
Adult Pre-Bronze <i>Note: this level does not qualify for National Showcase</i>	Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	Adult Bronze Free Skate Adult Bronze Free Dance Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance Bronze Pattern Dance	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Bronze	Adult Bronze Free Skate Adult Bronze Free Dance Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Free Dance Pre-Bronze Pattern Dance	Adult Silver Free Skate Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance (Prelim prior to 9/2/2000) Silver Pattern Dance	21 and older	1:40 max

Adult Silver	Adult Silver Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate (prior to 10/1/94) Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Adult Silver Free Dance Intermediate Free Dance (Prelim prior to 9/2/2000) 3 rd Figure (prior to 10/1/1977) Bronze Pattern Dance	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate (on/after 10/1/94) Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance (Brz prior to 9/2/2000) 4 th Figure (prior to 10/1/1977) Pre-Gold Pattern Dance	21 and older	1:40 max
Adult Gold	Adult Gold Free Skate Juvenile Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Novice Free Dance (Brz prior to 9/2/2000) 3 rd Figure (prior to 10/1/1977) Pre-Silver Pattern Dance	Intermediate Free Skate (on/after 10/1/91) Junior Free Dance (Slv prior to 9/2/2000) 5 th Figure (prior to 10/1/1977) Gold Pattern Dance	21 and older	1:40 max
Masters	Intermediate Free Skate Adult Gold Free Dance Junior Free Dance (Slv prior to 2000) 3 rd Figure (Prior to 10/1/1977) 8 th Figure (10/1/77-9/30/79) Silver Pattern Dance		21 and older	2:10 max

** For the US Adult Championships and adult sectional championships, skaters must meet the test requirements for the level at which they want to compete, rules 2540-2552 apply, and the same level must be chosen for all showcase events at the competition (for example, a skater may not compete in Masters Dramatic Entertainment and Adult Gold Light Entertainment events at the same competition). Adult athletes wishing to be grandfathered into a higher level based on participation at the Adult Championships or National Showcase prior to 4/30/17 may make this request to the National Vice Chair for National Showcase. For all other competitions, skaters must compete at their test level or one level higher, per the above chart. For Learn to Skate USA levels and events, please refer to the U.S. Figure Skating Compete USA Manual for Showcase event levels, elements, qualifications, program lengths and descriptions. For events offered, refer to the competition announcement.