



36th Annual

# Ann Arbor Springtime Invitational Competition

May 14, 15, 16, 17, 2020



Registration via EntryEeze: Secure online registration w/credit card payment

Online purchase of practice ice sessions (after the schedule is posted and with/or without pre-purchase or pre-selection)

Submit Music and Planned Program Content in EntryEeze

*IJS for Well-Balanced Preliminary and above with critiques*

*IJS for Excel Plus and Excel Juvenile – Senior*

**Register at [www.annarborfsc.com](http://www.annarborfsc.com).**

## Contacts

- **Ann Dougherty, Competition Chair** – [apdoug829@gmail.com](mailto:apdoug829@gmail.com) | 734. 417.2727
- **Registration Desk** at the Cube (during competition days/hours only) – 734.213.1600 ext 2525
- **Pine Kopka-Ross, Chief Referee** – [kopkap@umich.edu](mailto:kopkap@umich.edu) | 231.883.2748

## Location

Ann Arbor Ice Cube (three-rink facility with ice surfaces — 200' x 100' and 200' x 85') 2121 Oak Valley Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103; Rink Phone: 734.213.1600. AAFSC Office Phone: 734.213.6768. Lockers rooms: 8; full snack bar. Upper and lower lobbies; practice ice rink is very cold.

## Sanctioning

This non-qualifying competition is sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating #29297 and Skate Canada #22008-2020. It will be conducted in accordance with the rules 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, except as modified in this announcement.

## Series Information

This competition has been approved by U.S. Figure Skating as part of the 2020 Excel Series and the 2020 National Solo Dance Series.

## Planned Program Content (PPC)

All competitors skating in IJS events need to submit PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) in EntryEeze (go to your account and click on the "Planned Program Content" tab). The deadline to submit the PPC online is May 7. For those who do not submit PPC online by May 7, a \$25 late fee will be assessed automatically.

## Closing Date:

**Entries must be registered online by March 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:59 PM ET. Spaces are limited.** Late entries, if accepted, will be assessed a late fee of \$45. No refunds after closing date unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There are no medical refunds. However, partial credit may be granted for the next year's competition entry fee. Accompanying physician's note required.

## Eligibility and Test Level

Eligible competitors are members in good standing of U.S. Figure Skating. Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline (**March 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:59 PM**) 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 or skate more than one level in any one event. Exception: entrants in Spins or Jumps may enter any level at or above that which they qualify but may not skate down in any event. Not all events need to be skated at the same level.

## Events Offered & Judging System

| Excel                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| Beginner – Pre-Juvenile                    | 6.0 |
| Excel "Plus" Events                        | IJS |
| Juvenile – Senior                          | IJS |
| Well Balanced Singles                      |     |
| Singles Short Programs                     | IJS |
| No Test & Pre-Preliminary FS               | 6.0 |
| Preliminary – Senior FS                    | IJS |
| Adult Pre-Bronze & Bronze                  | 6.0 |
| Adult Silver & Gold                        | IJS |
| Compulsory Events                          |     |
| All (Excel Beginner – Open Juvenile)       | 6.0 |
| Jumps Challenge                            |     |
| Beginner – Pre-Juvenile                    | 6.0 |
| Spins Challenge                            |     |
| Beginner – Open Juvenile                   | 6.0 |
| Well Balanced Pairs                        |     |
| Novice – Senior SP                         | IJS |
| Pre-Juvenile – Senior FS                   | IJS |
| Couples Dance                              |     |
| Pattern Dance (Preliminary – Novice)       | IJS |
| Short Dance (Junior & Senior)              | IJS |
| Free Dance (Pre-Juvenile – Senior)         | IJS |
| Open/National Solo Dance Series            |     |
| Solo Dance (Preliminary – International)   | IJS |
| Combined (Juvenile – Senior)               | IJS |
| Shadow Dance (Preliminary – International) | IJS |
| Showcase                                   |     |
| Beginner – Adult Masters                   | 6.0 |

**Age restrictions/requirements:** Singles free skate events (Well Balanced Program) have the following requirements: Juvenile: Girls – 12 years of age or younger; Boys – 13 years of age or younger, Open Juvenile: Ladies – 13 years of age or older; Men – 14 years of age or older. Intermediate must be under the age of 21. Adults must be 21 years of age or older. Skaters entering beginner through pre-preliminary events will be divided as closely as possible by age groups of 7-10 skaters whenever possible. Compulsory Moves, Jumps, Spins, Showcase, 6.0 Free Skates, and Solo Dance events may be ladies and men combined.

### Final Rounds

Final Rounds will be offered for all Well-Balanced Free Skate events if entries warrant them. Unless otherwise determined by the chief referee, all IJS events with more than 24 skaters will be divided into groups as specified in rule 2466, based on random draws. Final Rounds in Free Skate events will be based on the Championship Round in Rule 2466. A minimum of two entries will be required for all flights to be scheduled.

### Registration Desk

The Registration Desk is on the **Lower Level**. It will be open Wednesday evening during practice ice, and beginning Thursday through Sunday one hour before the start of competition through the end of competition each day. Skaters must check in at least one (1) hour prior to their first event. Registration will be your final confirmation of competition time.

### Videography

All events are recorded by Hagerman video and distributed online at [www.vimeo.com/hagermanvideo/vod\\_pages](http://www.vimeo.com/hagermanvideo/vod_pages). Every skater will receive an email with easy to follow directions, a link and a promo code for each event they participate in.

### Photography

Action photos will be taken by KrPhotogs Photography LLC, found at [www.KrPhotogs.com](http://www.KrPhotogs.com) and will be available for purchase on site.

Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, **photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited**. Please refer to the Basic Ice Usage and Skater Etiquette Information document found in the Club Resource section of Member's Only. **Flash photography is never allowed.**

### Locker Room/Changing Room Policies:

The locker room/changing room policy for U.S. Figure Skating has been updated. All skaters, parents/guardians and coaches are encouraged to review prior to the competition. Additional information can be found [here](#).

### Entry Fees

**Online registration is the ONLY method available for entry into the Ann Arbor Springtime Invitational and must be submitted online with EntryEeze by 11:59 am ET on March 31<sup>st</sup>**. Late Entries may be accepted, if space permits, until April 7 for an additional \$45 fee. **All-Inclusive fees include vimeo link, program, souvenir, water.**

### Fee Schedule

|                                    |                      |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| First IJS Event                    | \$125                |
| Second IJS Event                   | \$50                 |
| Third or more IJS Event            | \$40                 |
| First 6.0 Event                    | \$100                |
| Second 6.0 Event                   | \$45                 |
| Third or more 6.0 Event            | \$35                 |
| First Pairs/Dance Partnered Event  | \$125 (62.50/skater) |
| Second Pairs/Dance Partnered Event | \$100 (50/skater)    |
| Showcase Duet                      | \$100 (50/skater)    |

*\*For partnered/duet events, each skater must enter separately and sign up for practice ice individually.*

Notification of competition and practice ice times, schedules and announcements will be sent to your email through EntryEeze. Listing a valid email address when you register online is required! Competition information and updates can be found at [www.annarborfsc.org](http://www.annarborfsc.org).

Contested credit card charges will be assessed a \$30 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. Any change after deadline is subject to a \$30 change fee.

### Music

MUSIC For ALL events requiring music; music must be submitted electronically via the online registration system by the music deadline of May 7th. A backup CD and/or a phone/tablet containing the music file should be readily available rink side at the time of competition. Music not uploaded by music deadline of May 7th will automatically be assessed a \$15 fee.

### Critiques

Critiques will be offered for all Well Balanced IJS Free Skate, Short program, Solo Free Dance, Pairs, and Couples Dance events. Critiques should be reserved at the time of registration for \$15 on the registration website (found under "Merchandise Sales"); if slots are still available, we will take limited requests on site for \$20—must be reserved at least 1 hour before event starts. *Note: Critiques are not offered for any 6.0 or Excel Series event.*

### Awards

Medals are awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> places; ribbons are awarded to all others. Final Rounds: Medals only 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Information Regarding Coaches:

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Registration  
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 contingent on their registered skaters:

- Current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating
- Completed background check ('green light' status)
- CER (B or A) for the current Competition Season
- Proof of Liability Insurance

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 proper registration is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA. For more information regarding Coach Compliance, click [here](#).

**Test Credit:** Skaters who meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit forms at registration.

Please request prior to the start of your event. Forms must be picked up at the registration desk prior to the end of the competition. Credit form cost is \$2 after purchasing a results package.

**Practice Ice:**

All sessions are 20 minutes in duration. There are no refunds for prepaid sessions, even if not used. No music is played on practice ice (except the Standard music will be played for pattern dance practice).

Sessions will be available Wednesday evening through Sunday afternoon and will be designated by level and discipline (FS, Dance, Pairs). Skaters will be able to pick their own practice ice sessions online but you **MUST** indicate number of sessions you want and you **MUST** pay for them when you register online. You will receive an email with a PIN number in order to access your practice ice records and select your sessions.

**PRE-PURCHASE:** All Practice Ice should be requested and paid for during online entry. Practice Ice will be selected by skater during the pre-selection window. After close of entries you will receive an email in order to access your practice ice record and select your sessions via EntryEeze. Practice ice will be \$15 if you pre-purchase sessions. A maximum of 2 Practice Ice sessions may be requested per skater per eligible event. If you pre-purchase sessions and fail to select them during the pre-selection window, your pre-payment may be applied towards sessions purchased at the practice ice desk during the competition.

**PRE-SELECTION:** The Pre-Selection window is planned to begin on April 27, but is subject to change. More information will be emailed to entrants after the close of entries and the schedule of events has been finalized.

**OPEN SALES:** Following the pre-purchase selection window, skaters will have the opportunity to purchase and select additional PI sessions for \$18 per session. More information will be emailed to entrants once the schedule of events has been finalized. **The Open Sales window will close on May 12th at 7:00 pm ET.**

**ON SITE:** Practice ice sessions will be sold on site at the event for \$20 at the practice ice desk.

Please direct practice ice questions to Melissa Sperling 734-323-5043 or [SpringtimePI@gmail.com](mailto:SpringtimePI@gmail.com).



# Single Free Skate

\*\*\* Final Rounds for all Well-balanced Free Skate Events \*\*\*  
(Qualifying round is free skate only)

[Excel Free Skate Requirements](#)  
[2020-21 Singles Free Skate Elements for No Test through Senior](#)  
[2020-21 Adult Singles Elements](#)

Entrants may “skate up” a level and may enter EITHER the Excel OR the Well-Balanced free skate events but NOT both.

- Free Skate and Short Program are separate events – not combined. Enter either or both events for your level.
- Well-Balanced and Excel program requirements are defined in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook and/or website

| Events Judged Using the 6.0 Majority System                |                    |                         |                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Well-Balanced Events                                       |                    | Excel Series Events     |                     |
| • No-Test                                                  | • Adult Pre-Bronze | • Excel Beginner        | • Excel Preliminary |
| • Pre-Preliminary                                          | • Adult Bronze     | • Excel High Beginner   | • Pre-Juvenile      |
|                                                            |                    | • Excel Pre-Preliminary |                     |
| Events Judged Using the International Judging System (IJS) |                    |                         |                     |
| Well-Balanced Events                                       |                    | Excel Series Events     |                     |
| • Preliminary                                              | • Novice           | • Preliminary Plus      | • Intermediate      |
| • Pre-Juvenile                                             | • Junior           | • Pre-Juvenile Plus     | • Novice            |
| • Open Juvenile                                            | • Senior           | • Juvenile              | • Junior            |
| • Juvenile                                                 | • Adult Silver     | • Juvenile Plus         | • Senior            |
| • Intermediate                                             | • Adult Gold       |                         |                     |

**Skater Critiques:** Critiques for Well-balanced Free Skate and Short Program IJS events can be pre-purchased online. Please refer to the competition website for additional information. The critique schedule will be posted at the registration desk.

# Singles Short Program

(Short Program is a separate event. No Final Round for SP. All Short Programs are judged using IJS)

**Additional program requirements as defined in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook**

[2020-21 Singles Short Program Elements for Juvenile through Senior](#)

**Open Juvenile Short Program:** max 2 min 10 sec

**Juvenile Short Program:** max 2 min 10 sec

**Intermediate Short Program:** max 2 min 10 sec

**Novice Short Program:** max 2 min 30 sec

**Junior Short Program:** 2:40 +/- 10 sec

Requirements can be found at [usfigureskating.org](http://usfigureskating.org), subject to change by the ISU.

*Elements to be skated will be for the 2020-21 competitive season*

**Senior Short Program:** 2:40 +/- 10 sec

Requirements can be found at [usfigureskating.org](http://usfigureskating.org), subject to change by the ISU

# Compulsory Events

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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Excel Beginner        | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Toe loop jump</li> <li>2. Salchow jump</li> <li>3. One-foot upright spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</li> </ol>                                                                                                                    |
| Excel High Beginner   | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Loop jump</li> <li>2. Salchow/toe loop combination</li> <li>3. Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</li> </ol>                                                                                                                     |
| Excel Pre-Preliminary | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Flip jump</li> <li>2. Loop/loop jump combination</li> <li>3. Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</li> </ol>                                                                                  |
| Excel Preliminary     | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lutz jump</li> <li>2. Flip/loop jump combination</li> <li>3. Camel, sit combination spin – minimum 6 revolutions total</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</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. Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</li> </ol>                                         |
| Pre – Preliminary     | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lutz jump</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)</li> <li>3. Spin with one change of position and no change of foot – minimum 6 revolutions total</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</li> </ol>                                                    |
| Preliminary           | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Axel jump</li> <li>2. Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>3. Spin with one change of foot and one change of position – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>4. Choreographic step sequence</li> </ol>                                   |
| Pre – Juvenile        | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Axel or double Salchow</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 – must include rotating in both directions</li> </ol>                               |
| Juvenile & Open Juv.  | 1:15 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. Layback spin or camel spin - minimum four revolutions</li> <li>4. Step sequence – must include 3 difficult turns and rotating in both directions</li> </ol> |

## Jumps Challenge

1. Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
2. All events will be skated on ½ ice;

| Level             | Time      | Skating rules / standards                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Beginner          | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)</li> <li>2. ½ flip or ½ Lutz</li> <li>3. Single Salchow</li> </ol>                                   |
| High Beginner     | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers)</li> <li>2. Single Salchow</li> <li>3. Jump combination – waltz jump-toe loop</li> </ol>             |
| No-Test           | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single toe loop</li> <li>2. Single loop</li> <li>3. Jump combination – Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)</li> </ol>           |
| Pre – Preliminary | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single toe loop</li> <li>2. Single flip</li> <li>3. Jump combination - Any two ½ or single revolution jumps (no Axel)</li> </ol>           |
| Preliminary       | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single flip</li> <li>2. Single Lutz</li> <li>3. Jump combination – Any single jump + single loop (may be Axel)</li> </ol>                  |
| Pre – Juvenile    | 1:15 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single Axel or double Salchow</li> <li>2. Single or double jump</li> <li>3. Jump combination – single/single (may include Axel)</li> </ol> |

## Spins Challenge

1. Spins may be skated in any order. Connecting steps are allowed, but will not be taken into consideration in scoring. Spins may not be repeated. On required elements may be included.
2. All events are skated on ½ ice.
3. Minimum number of revolutions are noted in parentheses.

| Level               | Time      | Skating rules / standards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Beginner            | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright one-foot spin (3)</li> <li>2. Upright back spin (3)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                 |
| High Beginner       | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright one-foot spin (4)</li> <li>2. Upright spin with change of foot (3 revs on each foot)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                |
| No-Test             | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upright spin with change of foot (3 revs on each foot)</li> <li>2. Camel spin (4)</li> <li>3. Sit spin (3)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                           |
| Pre – Preliminary   | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spin with one change of position and no change of foot (6)</li> <li>2. Backward sit spin (3)</li> <li>3. Camel spin (4)</li> </ol>                                                                                                              |
| Preliminary         | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spin with one change of foot and one change of position (min 3 rev each foot)</li> <li>2. Combination spin with change of foot (min 3 rev each foot)</li> <li>3. One position spin—skater's choice (upright, sit or camel), (4 revs)</li> </ol> |
| Pre – Juvenile      | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Backward entry Camel spin (4)</li> <li>2. Combination spin – All 3 basic positions required (camel, sit, upright), (2 revs/position)</li> <li>3. Forward to backward scratch spin (4 revs per foot)</li> </ol>                                  |
| Juvenile & Open Juv | 1:30 max. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sit spin (4)</li> <li>2. Combo spin with change of foot; all 3 basic positions required (min 2 revs in each position &amp; min 4 revs per foot)</li> <li>3. Girls—layback spin (6 revs); Boys—camel spin (5 revs)</li> </ol>                    |

# Pairs

## Balanced program requirements as defined in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook

*FS & Short Program Elements to be skated will be for the 2019-20 competitive season*

### [2020-21 Pairs Program/Technical Information](#)

#### **Pre-Juvenile FS**

Must have the Pre-Juvenile Pair test & no higher.

#### **Juvenile FS**

Must have the Juvenile Pair test & no higher.

#### **Intermediate SP and FS**

Must have passed the Intermediate Pair test & no higher

#### **Novice SP and FS**

Must have passed the Novice Pair test & no higher.

#### **Junior SP and FS**

Must have passed the Junior Pair test & no higher

#### **Senior SP and FS**

Must have passed the Senior Pair test

**Skater Critiques:** Critiques for all IJS Pairs events can be pre-purchased online. Please refer to the competition website for additional information. The critique schedule will be posted at the registration desk.

## Couples Dance—Pattern Dance

*Pattern Dances for 2020-2021 season. Pattern Dances judged under the IJS system. Each couple may provide their own music for each dance. Chosen music may be +/-2 beats/min from the tempo as stated in the dance description. May include vocals. Final dance will break a tie.*

### [2020-21 Dance Program/Technical Information](#)

**Preliminary:** For beginning couple dancers.

**Pre-Juvenile:** Both must have passed 2 Preliminary dance tests but no higher than the Pre-Bronze Dance test.

**Juvenile:** Both must have passed the Preliminary Dance test.

**Intermediate:** Both must have passed the Bronze Dance test.

**Novice:** Both must have passed at least one Silver dance test.

## Couples Dance—Short Dance

*Skaters may compete at two levels of dance. Short Dance rules for 2020-2021 season. Short Dance judged under the IJS system. These are NOT combined events – couples may enter only Short Dance, only Free Dance, or both (as separate events)*

### [2020-21 Dance Program/Technical Information](#)

**Levels:** Junior, Senior

## Couples Dance—Free Dance

*Skaters may compete at two levels of dance. Free Dance rules for 2020-2021 season. Free Dance judged under the IJS system. These are NOT combined events – couples may enter only Pattern Dance, only Short Dance, only Free Dance, or both (as separate events)*

### [2020-21 Dance Program/Technical Information](#)

**Levels:** Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior

**Skater Critiques:** Critiques for Couples Short Dance and Free Dance events can be pre-purchased online. Please refer to the competition website for additional information. The critique schedule will be posted at the registration desk.



# 2020 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series Events

The **Ann Arbor Springtime Invitational** is a participating competition within the 2020 National Solo Dance Series.

*The solo pattern dance event, solo combined event and shadow dance events are being offered as part of the U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series and will be conducted in accordance with the Solo Dance Series Handbook found at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org). Please refer to the Solo Dance Series handbook for the current Series rules, levels and event requirements that will be in effect for this competition.*

**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, Gold and International levels.

|                      | Preliminary   | Pre-Bronze   | Bronze       | Pre-Silver     | Silver         | Pre-Gold   | Gold            | International  |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Dances in each level | Dutch Waltz   | Cha Cha      | Ten Fox      | Fourteen Step  | American Waltz | Paso Doble | Quickstep       | Silver Samba   |
|                      | Canasta Tango | Fiesta Tango | Willow Waltz | European Waltz | Tango          | Blues      | Argentine Tango | Midnight Blues |

Refer to the Solo Dance Series Handbook for the solo pattern dance event rules, test requirements and details on the [Solo Dance Competition Series Website](http://www.usfigureskating.org).

**Solo Combined Dance Event:** The solo combined dance event is comprised of both of the following:

- 1.) **JUVENILE, INTERMEDIATE, NOVICE:** One solo pattern dance chosen by the referee out of two possible dances as selected by U.S. Figure Skating. This dance will not be posted until the starting order is posted at the competition.  
**Pattern Dance Selection for Juvenile:** Tango Fiesta  
**Pattern Dance Selection for Intermediate:** Fourteen Step  
**Pattern Dance Selection for Novice:** American Waltz  
**JUNIOR, SENIOR:** One short dance
- 2.) One 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 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org) for the combined event rules and details.

**Shadow Pattern Dance:** The Shadow Pattern Dance event is offered for the preliminary through senior levels. A team may be comprised of two females, two males or one female and one male. In any case, the steps skated shall be the lady's steps as specified in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

- **Preliminary:** Rhythm Blues (3 seq)
- **Pre-Silver:** Tango Fiesta (3 seq)
- **Pre-Bronze:** U.S. Willow Waltz (3 seq)
- **Bronze:** Foxtrot (3 seq)
- **Silver:** American Waltz (2 seq)
- **Pre-Gold:** Blues (3 seq)
- **Gold/International:** Quickstep (3 seq)

# Showcase Events

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical and artistic qualities. 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. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will negatively affect the competitor's/team's mark. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include but are not limited to reflection of the musicality as it pertains to the concept of the program, projection, energy, timing, acting, skating skills that relate to the music, age appropriateness to skater, use of props and scenery, interaction (Duets and Ensembles only), note: prolonged pauses to express lyrics are discouraged. One mark will be awarded by each judge for each performance. No technical skating mark will be used.

**Props and scenery must be placed and removed unaided, within one minute total on and off.**

## General event parameters:

1. Level will be determined by the highest free skate or dance (solo or partnered) test passed. 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. Props and scenery are permitted.

Current guidelines and procedures for nonqualifying showcase competitions can be found at [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org), under "Programs" on the National Showcase page.

## Events:

1. **Dramatic:** Programs should express intense emotional connection and investment in the music, choreography and theme concept through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions. The entire gamut of emotions may be expressed including intense joy and/or introspectiveness. Dramatic programs should not be depressing. Even if the emotion is sadness, there should be an enlivened feeling given to the audience.
2. **Light Entertainment:** Programs should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions.
3. **Duet:** Duets are theatrical or artistic performances by any two competitors.  
(Except for Adult events, Duets must compete at the highest test level of the two skaters)

| Event                                                       | Must meet requirements*<br>Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track) | Must not have passed<br>Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher | Age                        | Time     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| No Test<br>(does not qualify for National Showcase)         | No Free Skate test passed                                                                                 | Pre-Preliminary Free Skate<br>Any Free Dance                                   | No minimum<br>(max age 20) | 1:30 max |
| Pre-Preliminary<br>(does not qualify for National Showcase) | Pre-Preliminary Free Skate                                                                                | Preliminary Free Skate<br>Any Free Dance                                       | No minimum<br>(max age 20) | 1:30 max |
| Preliminary                                                 | Preliminary Free Skate                                                                                    | Pre Juvenile Free Skate<br>OR Juvenile Free Dance                              | No minimum<br>(max age 20) | 1:40 max |
| Pre Juvenile                                                | Pre Juvenile Free Skate                                                                                   | Juvenile Free Skate<br>OR Juvenile Free Dance                                  | No minimum<br>(max age 20) | 1:40 max |
| Juvenile                                                    | Juvenile Free Skate<br>OR Juvenile Free Dance                                                             | Intermediate Free Skate<br>OR Intermediate Free Dance                          | Under 13                   | 2:10 max |
| Teen                                                        | Juvenile Free Skate<br>OR Juvenile Free Dance                                                             | Intermediate Free Skate<br>OR Intermediate Free Dance                          | 13-17                      | 2:10 max |
| Event                                                       | Must meet requirements*<br>Must have passed Free Skating or Dance test (solo or partnered standard track) | Must not have passed<br>Free Skate or Dance (solo or partnered) Test or higher | Age                        | Time     |

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| Intermediate                                                        | Intermediate Free Skate<br>OR Intermediate Free Dance                                                                                                                                                                                | Novice Free Skate<br>OR Novice Free Dance                                                                                                                                                     | 17 and under | 2:10 max |
| Young Adult                                                         | Juvenile Free Skate<br>OR Juvenile Free Dance                                                                                                                                                                                        | Novice Free Skate<br>OR Novice Free Dance                                                                                                                                                     | 18-20        | 2:10 max |
| Novice                                                              | Novice Free Skate<br>OR Novice Free Dance                                                                                                                                                                                            | Junior Free Skate<br>OR Junior Free Dance                                                                                                                                                     |              | 2:10 max |
| Junior                                                              | Junior Free Skate<br>OR Junior Free Dance                                                                                                                                                                                            | Senior Free Skate<br>OR Senior Free Dance                                                                                                                                                     |              | 2:30 max |
| Senior                                                              | Senior Free Skate<br>OR Senior Free Dance                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                               |              | 2:30 max |
| Adult Pre-<br>Bronze<br>(does not qualify for<br>National Showcase) | Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate<br>OR Pre-Preliminary Free Skate                                                                                                                                                                         | Adult Bronze Free Skate<br>Preliminary Free Skate<br>OR Any Free Dance                                                                                                                        | 21 and older | 1:40 max |
| Adult Bronze                                                        | Adult Bronze Free Skate<br>Preliminary Free Skate<br>Juvenile Free Dance<br>OR<br>Pre-Bronze Dance Test (prior to 4/30/17)                                                                                                           | Adult Silver Free Skate<br>Pre Juvenile Free Skate<br>Adult Silver Free Dance<br>Intermediate Free Dance<br>Preliminary Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000)<br>OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)    | 21 and older | 1:40 max |
| Adult Silver                                                        | Adult Silver Free Skate<br>Juvenile Free Skate (prior to 10/1/94)<br>Pre Juvenile Free Skate<br>Adult Silver Free Dance<br>Intermediate Free Dance<br>Preliminary Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000)<br>OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77) | Adult Gold Free Skate<br>Juvenile Free Skate (On/after 10/1/94)<br>Adult Gold Free Dance<br>Novice Free Dance<br>Bronze Free Dance (prior to 9/2/2000)<br>OR<br>4th Figure (prior to 10/1/77) | 21 and older | 1:40 max |
| Adult Gold                                                          | Adult Gold Free Skate<br>Juvenile Free Skate<br>Adult Gold Free Dance<br>Novice Free Dance<br>OR 3rd Figure (prior to 10/1/77)                                                                                                       | Intermediate FS (on/after 10/1/91)<br>Junior Free Dance<br>Silver Free Dance (Prior to 9/2/2000)<br>OR<br>5th Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77)                                                  | 21 and older | 1:40 max |
| Masters                                                             | Intermediate Free Skate<br>Adult Gold Free Dance<br>Junior Free Dance<br>Silver Free Dance (Prior to 9/2/2000)<br>3rd Figure Test (prior to 10/1/77)<br>OR 8th Figure Test (10/1/77-9/30/79)                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                               | 21 and older | 2:10 max |

# Lodging for the 2020 Ann Arbor Springtime Invitational Competition

There are over 30 hotels and/or motels within a 15-mile range of the Ice Cube (I-94; Exit 175). Rooms have been blocked at a number of them. You must indicate your affiliation with the Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club, or figure skating to get these rooms. Block rooms will be released a month before the competition; make your reservations before April 16.

For additional information call the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau at (800) 888-9487 or visit their Web site at [www.annarbor.org](http://www.annarbor.org)

## **HOTELS: Please tell the reservation clerk you are with the Ann Arbor Figure Skating at the Ice Cube (\*\*Hotels with AAFSC Room Blocks)**

### **Holiday Inn Express & Suites West (officials' hotel)**

323 N. Zeeb Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103  
734-827-1100

### **\*\*\*Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites \$119/night**

3155 Boardwalk Drive  
Ann Arbor, MI 48108  
(734)-213-1900 Fax: 734-213-2700

### **\*\*\*Fairfield Inn - \$112 /night**

3285 Boardwalk, Ann Arbor, 48108  
(734)995-5200

### **\*\*\*Hampton Inn South - \$119/night**

925 Victors Way, Ann Arbor, 48108  
(734)665-5000

### **\*\*\*Hyatt Place \$129/night**

3223 S. State St  
Ann Arbor, MI 48108  
734-995-1234 fax 734-995-3080

### **Courtyard by Marriott**

3205 Boardwalk, Ann Arbor, 48108  
(734)995-5900

### **Residence Inn**

800 Victors Way, Ann Arbor, 48108  
(734)996-5666; (800) 331-3131

### **Hilton Garden Inn**

1401 Briarwood Circle,  
Ann Arbor, MI 48108  
(734) 330-2799

### **Even Hotel**

600 Hilton Blvd, Ann Arbor, 48104  
(734)761-2929

### **Kensington Court**

610 Hilton Blvd,  
Ann Arbor, 48104  
(734)761-7800

### **Ann Arbor Marriott Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest**

1275 S Huron Street,  
Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197  
(734)-487-2000

### **Sheraton Inn Ann Arbor**

3200 Boardwalk, Ann Arbor, 48108  
(734)996-0600

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3050 Jackson Rd.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103  
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