



The Peter J. Seippel Foundation

WHAT: *Fourteenth Annual Synchronized Skating Competition*

Sanctioned by United States Figure Skating

WHEN: *February 14 & 15, 2009*

WHERE: *Beaver Dam, WI* Beaver Dam Family Center
609 Gould Street
Beaver Dam, WI 53916 Ph: (920) 885-9816

Entries: All applications must be postmarked no later than **January 5, 2009**.
Any applications received after the January 5 deadline will be accepted at the discretion
of the competition committee.

On Ice Critiques: A limited number of on ice critiques with USFS Judges and Technical
Panel (for teams being judged by IJS) will be available to teams.

Special Bonus: Due to the generosity of our sponsor, any USFS
teams from the Midwest who qualify for 2009 Nationals, are eligible
for a **FREE on ice critique session**.

Sponsored by The Peter J. Seippel Foundation

Mail Completed Applications to: Julie Sena
630 Denning Avenue
Beaver Dam, WI 53916

Questions? Please contact: Julie Sena (920) 356-1424 or (920) 210-8911
JulieBSena@aol.com

Club Web Site: www.swancityiceskaters.com

Chief Referee: *Lauren Whittaker*

Accountant: *Jim Achtenberg*

Events to be offered:



SECTION 1: BASIC SKILLS / BEGINNER EVENTS

For all events: No skaters may have passed higher than the preliminary test in any discipline, and the majority of the team must be "no test."

"The purpose for the competition is to promote a FUN, introductory competitive experience for the beginning skater."

A. Basic Skills Beginner 1

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9 on the preceding July 1.

Program duration: 1 ½ - 2minutes +/- 10 sec.

Required elements:

- Circle:** 1 circle, include a 2-foot turn and a forward inside and/or forward outside edge glide
- Line:** Cover the ice and include only forward skating skills.
- Block:** Cover the ice and include only one configuration.
- Wheel:** A 4-spoke wheel with backward pumps.
- Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 2-foot glide at the point of intersection.

RESTRICTIONS:

- No additional elements allowed.
- Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand.
- No changes or direction and traveling within elements.
- No steps or moves in Basic 6 or higher.

B. Basic Skills Beginner 2

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be 9 – 11 years old on the preceding July 1.

Program duration: 1 ½ - 2minutes +/- 10 sec.

Required elements:

- Circle:** 1 circle, include the combination move* from Basic 8
- Line:** Cover the ice may include both forward and backward skating skills.
- Block:** Cover the ice and include 1 or 2 configurations.
- Wheel:** Wheel of choice with backward pumps.
- Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 2-foot or 1-foot glide at the point of intersection.

RESTRICIONS:

- No additional elements allowed.
- Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand
- No changes or direction and traveling within elements.
- No steps or moves in Free Skate 2 or higher.

C. Basic Skills Beginner 3

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be at least 12 years old on the preceding July 1

Program duration: 2–2 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.

Required elements:

- Circle:** 1 circle, include the combination move* from Basic 8
- Line:** Cover the ice must include both forward and backward skating skills.
- Block:** Cover the ice and include 2 or 3 configurations.
- Wheel:** Wheel of choice.
- Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 1-foot glide or forward lunge at the point of intersection.

RESTRICTIONS:

- No changes or direction and traveling within elements.

* The combination move is element C in Basic 8: Two forward crossovers into a forward inside mohawk, step down or cross behind, step into a backward crossover, step forward onto a forward inside edge glide. It does not need to be repeated, and does not need to be done in both directions.

These levels are part of the U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills program. Basic Skills competition guidelines will be used. There will be no more than 6 teams in each group, and judges must only be members of U.S. Figure Skating at least 16 years old. If there are not enough entries, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 can be combined, at the discretion of the chief referee.

SECTION 2: U.S. FIGURE SKATING STANDARD COMPETITIVE EVENTS

- A. Preliminary:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. All skaters must be under 12. The majority of the team must be under 10 on the preceding July 1.
Program duration: 2 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4710
- B. Pre-Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 12 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12 on the preceding July 1.
Program duration: 2 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4760
- C. Open Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 12 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4770
- D. Open Junior:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be at least 12 and the majority must be under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 4 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4750
- E. Juvenile:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 13 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4700
- F. Intermediate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 18 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the pre-juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4690
- G. Novice:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 16 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4680
- H. Junior:** A team of 12 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 12 and under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the intermediate moves in the field test.
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds
Free skate duration: 4 minutes
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 4670
- I. Senior:** A team of 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 14 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the novice moves in the field test.
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds
Free skate duration: 4 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 4660
- J. Open Collegiate:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be enrolled in a college or university as a part-time or full-time student.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4790
- K. Collegiate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 4 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4720

L. Open Adult:

A team of 8 to 12 skaters. The majority of skaters must be 19 years or older on the preceding July 1.
 Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
 Well balanced program: Rule 4780

M. Masters:

A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be at least 25, and the majority of the team must be at least 35 on the preceding July 1.
 Program duration: 3 minutes.
 Well balanced program: Rule 4740

N. Adult:

A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be at least 21 and the majority of the team must be at least 25 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed either the preliminary moves in the field test, the adult bronze moves in the field test, the preliminary figure test or the preliminary dance test.
 Program duration: 3 ½ minutes
 Well balanced program: Rule 4730

Any competition level with 3 or less teams may be combined with another comparable level.

Moves in the Field Requirements: Moves in the field test requirements must be met by the entry deadline of January 5, 2009.

Crossover Rules: The chart below illustrates where crossover skaters are allowed. The shaded areas indicate no crossovers are allowed. An “X” indicates crossovers are allowed between the two levels, providing all requirements are met as defined Rules 4660 – 4791.

Level Athlete is Skating In	Level Allowed to Crossover To													
	Preliminary	Pre -Juvenile	Open Juvenile	Juvenile	Intermediate	Novice	Open Junior	Junior	Senior	Open Collegiate	Collegiate	Open Adult	Masters	Adult
Preliminary														
Pre - Juvenile														
Open Juvenile														
Juvenile						X								
Intermediate														
Novice				X				X	X					
Open Junior											X		X	X
Junior						X			X		X			
Senior						X		X			X			X
Open Collegiate														
Collegiate							X	X	X					X
Open Adult														
Masters							X							X
Adult							X		X		X		X	

TENTATIVE COMPETITION SCHEDULE

(may fluctuate according to team registrations)

ALL LEVELS (SKATING ONE PROGRAM) WITH 6 OR MORE TEAMS WITHIN THE DIVISION WILL SKATE
FLIGHTS FOR FINAL SILVER OR GOLD ROUND

Flights will be determined by the Referee

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2009

Beginner
Pre-Juvenile
Open Juvenile

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2009

Preliminary
Juvenile
Intermediate
Novice
Open Junior
Junior: Short and Free Skate
Senior: Short and Free Skate
Open Collegiate
Collegiate
Open Adult
Adult
Masters

**Top scoring teams of each flight advance to GOLD ROUND
All remaining teams advance to SILVER ROUND**

Entries: All applications must be postmarked no later than **January 5, 2009**. Any applications received after the January 5 deadline will be accepted at the discretion of the competition committee.

Applications should be sent to: **Julie Sena**
630 Denning Avenue
Beaver Dam, WI 53916

The entry fee is \$90.00 per event plus \$18.00 per competitor, including alternates. The entry fee for Beginner is \$50 per team plus \$5 per skater. Please make checks payable to **Swan City Ice Skaters**.

Practice Ice: One (1) 20 minute practice ice session is available per team at a rate of \$70 per session. Practice ice will be available Friday night, Saturday morning, Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Scheduling will be on a first come first serve basis based on when the team's registration packet is received. Please fill out Form 4: Practice Ice and return it with your registration materials. Teams will be notified of their practice time by email on or before January 25. Contact Julie Sena at 920-356-1424, 920-210-8911 or JulieBSena@aol.com with questions.

Critiques On Ice: A limited number of on ice critique sessions with the judges will be available on Friday evening beginning at approximately 7:00 pm and Sunday morning prior to the start of competition. Critiques will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis based on when the team's registration packet is received. The cost is \$70 for a 15 minute session. Please fill out FORM 5: On Ice Critiques, and include it with your other registration materials. Teams will be notified of their critique time by email on or before January 25. **Critiques will be free to those teams from the Midwest who have qualified for Nationals and they will be given priority.**

General Rules: The *Swan Synchro Skate* Competition is sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted under the rules set forth in the 2009 edition of the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook and this announcement. Particular note should be taken of these sections:

- Rule 3080: Eligibility to compete
- Rule 1450: Events to be skated
- Rules 4660-4791: Requirements for each level
- Rule 3530: Duration and Warm-up Periods of Synchronized Team Skating

Liability: U.S. Figure Skating, Swan City Ice Skaters, Beaver Dam Family Center and Beaver Dam Hockey Association accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in these championships. This is in accordance with Rule 3222 of the 2009 edition of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

Judging System: The ISU judging system (IJS) will be used for open junior, collegiate, adult, intermediate, novice, junior and senior events. For all other events, the 6.0 system will be used. However, testing of the ISU judging system may be performed for some of these levels.

All teams competing in a level judged under the IJS will be required to complete a planned program content sheet. ***Each team's Planned Program Content sheet must be submitted online by January 31.*** Team coaches / contact people can complete it via their Member's Only profile at www.usfsaonline.org

Music: Rules governing music selection can be found in the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook, rules 2660-4791.

Only CDs (standard Compact Disk format) will be accepted.

- *CDs: Must be clearly marked with name, event entered and the music length and contained in a hard sided "jewel" case.*

Due to compatibility and reliability reasons no music may be submitted on re-recordable "CDRW" discs.

*Competition music must be turned in at the registration desk and must be submitted no later than **one hour** prior to the event in which the team is skating. All music must be picked up at the completion of the competition. CDs will not be mailed back to competitors.*

*All teams must have an additional copy of their music available for practice sessions. **Teams must also have an extra copy available quickly during the actual competition event.** The organizing committee will not accept responsibility for damage or loss of music but will take every precaution to ensure their safety.*

Ice Surface: 90 X 200

Competition Schedule: Teams will be notified of the competition schedule by email. The schedule will also be posted on our website www.swancityiceskaters.com. Please check the website for updates.

Registration: The registration desk will be located in the lobby of the Family Center. The coach or Team Rep for each team must sign in and pick up their team information **at least 60 minutes** prior to the team's scheduled competition time. Music CD's must also be turned in at this time.

Awards: All levels (skating one program) with 6 or more teams within the division, will skate flights for final silver or gold round. Individual medals are presented to first through 6th place in the gold round and first through third place in the silver round.

Photography: Buckley Studios, Eau Claire, WI will offer both team and individual photos for our participating skaters.

Vendors: Vendors offering unique skating apparel are situated in the upper level of the arena. Swan City Ice Skaters will offer an event shirt and pin for sale. Winter hats, scarves and gloves will be sold rinkside, at the entrance to the bleachers.

Team Entrance: The team entrance is on the North side of the building (double glass doors). The entrance directly off the parking lot on the east side is for officials, volunteers and those with special needs only.

Admission: A \$4 admission fee will be charged at the door for all visitors (children under 5 are free). The entrance to the Family Center is on the North side of the building (double glass doors) and is clearly marked for your convenience.

Food: The Family Center concession stand will be open for the duration of the competition. Numerous restaurants are within a short walk or drive of the arena

Competition Chair: Julie Sena (920) 356-1424 or (920) 210-8911 or JulieBSena@aol.com

DIRECTIONS

From Milwaukee

Take Hwy 41 North to Hwy 33 West. Turn right at first stop light in Beaver Dam (by McDonald's) and continue straight past ShopKo to Prospect Ave. Family Center is across the street.

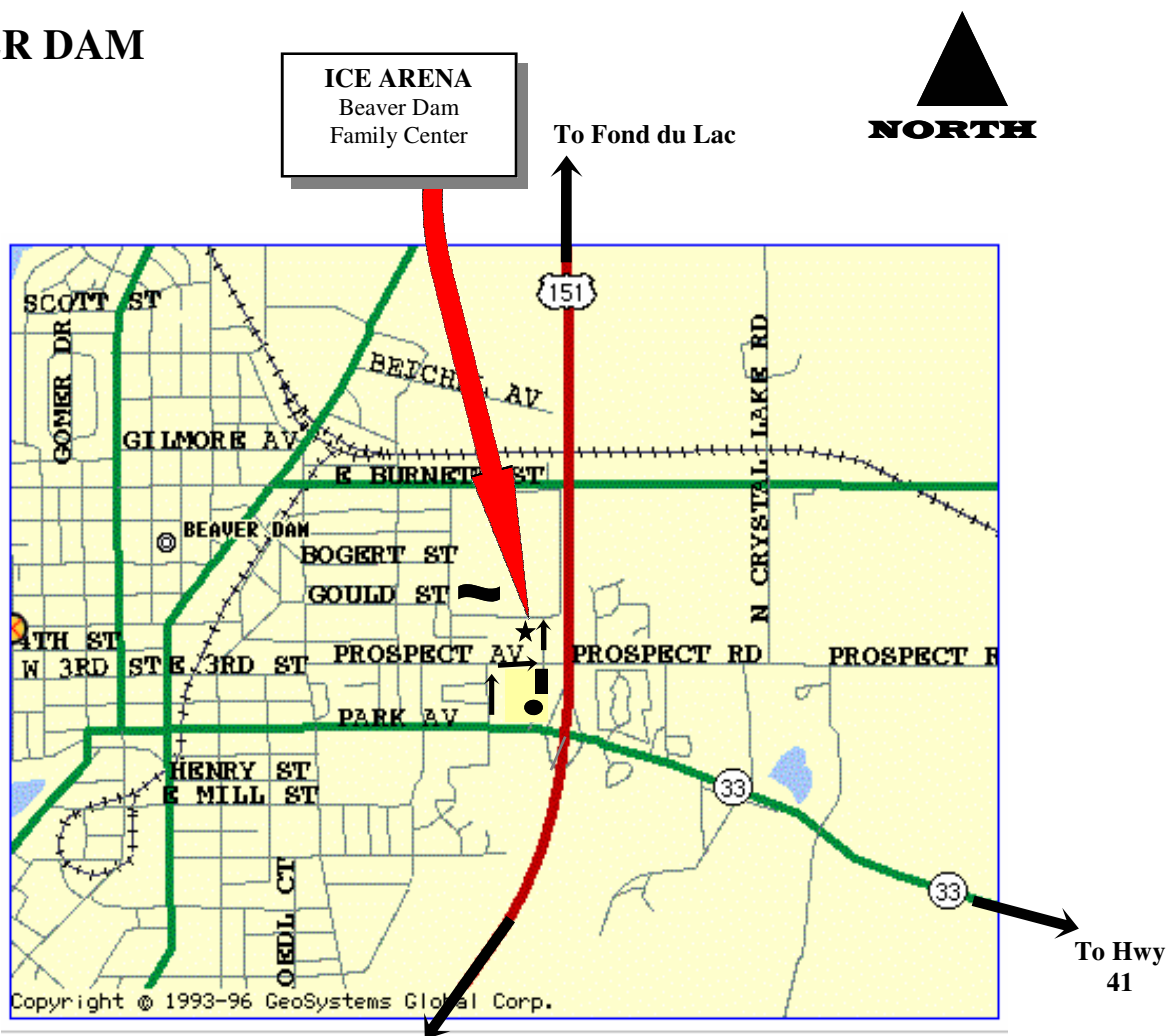
From Stevens Point

Take Hwy 51 South to Hwy 33. Stay on Hwy 33 to Beaver Dam city limits. Turn left at the second stop light (Front St./Park Ave.). Continue to third stop light (by McDonald's), turn left. Continue straight past ShopKo to Prospect Ave. Family Center is across the street.

From Madison

Take Hwy 151 North and exit Beaver Dam Hwy 33 turn left. Turn right at first stop light in Beaver Dam (by McDonald's) and continue straight past ShopKo to Prospect Ave. Family Center is across the street.

BEAVER DAM



- ★ Ice Arena – Family Center
- ShopKo
- McDonalds
- ⌋ Beaver Dam High School

Accommodations:

AmericINN
325 Seippel Blvd
Beaver Dam, WI 53916
(920) 356-9000
(800) 701-0433

**Best Western
Campus Inn**
815 Park Ave
Beaver Dam, WI 53916
(920) 887-7171
(800) 572-4891

Super 8 Motel
711 Park Ave
Beaver Dam, WI 53916
(920) 887-8880
(800) 800-8000

AmericINN
5 Gateway Drive
Waupun, WI 53963
(920) 324-2500
(800) 701-0433

Holiday Inn
652 W. Rolling Meadows Dr.
Fond du Lac, WI 54937
(920) 923-1440
(800) 345-8082

Baymont Inn
77 Holiday Lane
Fond du Lac, WI 54937
(920) 921-4000
(800) 301-0200

Days Inn
107 N. Pioneer Rd.
Fond du Lac, WI 54935
(920) 923-6790

Econo Lodge
649 W. Johnson Ave.
Fond du Lac, WI 54935
(920) 923-2020

Microtel Inn & Suites
920 S. Military Road
Fond du Lac, WI 54935
(920) 929-4000

Super 8 Motel
391 N. Pioneer Road
Fond du Lac, WI 54935
(920) 922-1088
(920) 936-1088

Super 8 Motel
219 Industrial Drive
Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-8800
(800) 800-8000

McGovern's Motel
820 W. Main
Sun Prairie, WI 53590
(608) 837-7321

Amerihost Inn
105 Business Park Drive
Sun Prairie, WI 53590
(608) 834-9889
(800) 434-5800

Super 8 Motel
1033 Emerald Terrace
Sun Prairie, WI 53590
(608)-837-8889
(800) 800-8000

Comfort Inn
4822 E. Washington Ave
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 244-6265
(800) 424-6423

Econo Lodge
4726 E. Washington Ave
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 241-4171

Crowne Plaza Hotel
4402 E. Washington Ave
Madison, WI 53704
(888) 259-8696

Excel Inn of Madison
4202 East Towne Blvd
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 241-3861
(800) 367-3935

Howard Johnson
3841 E. Washington Ave
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 244-2481
(800) 446-4656

Distances from Beaver Dam and approximate travel times:

Waupun: 20 minutes/15 miles from Beaver Dam with 4 lane highway for travel

Fond du Lac: 40 minutes/32 miles from Beaver; a mix of 4-lane and 2-lane highway travel

Columbus: 20 minutes/15 miles from Beaver Dam with 4 lane highway for travel

Sun Prairie: 33 minutes/29 miles from Beaver Dam with 4 lane highway for travel

Madison: 45 minutes/36 miles from Beaver Dam with 4 lane highway for travel

Coach Bus Information: Meister Bus Service located in Madison, WI (608) 240-0353.

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Must be postmarked by January 5, 2009

ENTRY FORM 1: Team Information

Team name:		U.S. Figure Skating #:	
Club: (if applicable)			
City and State Club Represents:			
Team contact person:			
Phone number:		E-mail:	
Address:		City	State / ZIP
Primary coach:		U.S. Figure Skating #	
Phone number:		E-mail:	
Additional Coach(s):			
Number of skaters:		Number of alternates:	

Please check the level and/or event (s) entered:

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|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> BS Beginner 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Open collegiate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BS Beginner 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate | <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BS Beginner 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Novice | <input type="checkbox"/> Open adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior short program | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior free skate | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior short program | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Junior | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior free skate | |

Entry Fee: Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ Team events \$ 90 per team / event
 \$ _____ for _____ Competitors \$ 18 per skater / event
 \$ _____ for _____ Beginner events \$ 50 per team / beginner event
 \$ _____ for _____ Competitors \$ 5 per skater / beginner event
 \$ _____ for _____ Practice Ice \$ 70 per 20 minute session
 \$ _____ for _____ On Ice Critique \$ 70 per 15 minute session

\$ _____ **Total Enclosed**

Checks should be made payable to:

Swan City Ice Skaters

Please send all forms and fees to:

Julie B. Sena
 630 Denning Avenue
 Beaver Dam, WI 53916

All fees and entry forms must be postmarked by:

January 5, 2009

Note for beginner teams: Beginner teams may choose to represent either a full member club or a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills school / program.

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ENTRY FORM 2: Team Entry Form

Team Name:	Level:
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SKATER NAMES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER Last name first	Birth Date	U.S. Figure Skating # **	Highest MITF test passed *
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Alt. 4.			
Alt. 5.			
Alt. 6.			

* Required for teams entering open juvenile, juvenile, intermediate, novice, open junior, junior, senior, collegiate and adult. Also required for beginner teams. No skaters on a beginner team may have passed higher than preliminary.

** Skaters on beginner teams may be either full U.S. Figure Skating members or Basic Skills members.

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ENTRY FORM 3: Liability Waiver / Certification by Club Officer

Team Name:	Level:
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U.S. Figure Skating and the clubs or organizers of competitions undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters or officials. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents and guardians and officials shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Skating, the club hosting the competition, and against its officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Skater's name in alphabetical order	Skater signature or parent / guardian (if skater is under 18)
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Alt. 3	
Alt. 4	
Alt. 5	
Alt. 6	

Club officer or skating school director: *All of the skaters listed on the team entry form are to the best of my knowledge, eligible members in good standing and eligible to compete under U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada rules.*

Print Name:	Signature
Title:	
Club / Basic Skills program name:	

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ENTRY FORM 4: Practice Ice

Ice will be available on Friday evening, Saturday morning, Saturday evening and Sunday morning, on a first come first serve basis for \$70 per 20 minutes. Practice ice will be scheduled based on the date the team's registration materials were received.

Please complete a separate Practice Ice form for each team. Indicate your first choice and second choice. If you have a time preference, please note that as well. **We may not be able to honor your selection but we will do our best.**

You will be notified of your practice ice time by email on or before January 25.

Team Name: _____

Division Entered: _____

Contact person: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Please circle 1st choice and 2nd choice and write down your ideal practice time if you have one.

<u>1st Choice</u>
Friday evening _____
Saturday morning _____
Saturday evening _____
Sunday morning _____

<u>2nd Choice</u>
Friday evening _____
Saturday morning _____
Saturday evening _____
Sunday morning _____

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ENTRY FORM 5: On Ice Critique

A limited number of on ice critique sessions with the judges will be available on Friday evening beginning at approximately 7:00 pm and Sunday morning prior to the start of competition. Critiques will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis based on when the team's registration packet is received. We will schedule teams who compete on Saturday, Friday evening, and teams who compete on Sunday, Sunday morning.

The cost is \$70 for a 15 minute session.

Critiques will be free to those teams from the Midwest who have qualified for Nationals and they will be given priority. If your team may potentially go to Nationals and you would like a critique please send in this form and include payment so we can schedule you. We will refund your money for the critique should that be necessary due to our policy on teams going to Nationals.

Please complete a separate form for each team.

Team Name: _____

Division Entered: _____

Contact person: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____