



The 14th Annual Grand Rapids Open an event of the Meijer State Games of Michigan

June 22-23, 2012

OVERVIEW/UPDATES: We are excited to present the 14th Annual Grand Rapids Open. This year we have added Solo Dance and are excited that both a new sound system and “in rink” heating has been added to enhance the event! Don’t forget to sign up for testing which will be held in conjunction with the competition. Testing details will be updated as they become available at our website: www.ggrfsc.org. Critiques will be offered for all IJS Events. More information regarding location and times will be available at the competition.

MEIJER STATE GAMES OF MICHIGAN: The Grand Rapids Open is participating in the Meijer State Games of Michigan. For more information about the state games please visit www.stategamesofmichigan.org

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LOCATION: Patterson Ice Center (2 rink indoor facility with ice surfaces 200 x 100 and 200 x 85) 2250 Patterson Ave SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546

SANCTIONING: This non-qualifying competition is sanctioned by US Figure Skating. It will be conducted in accordance with the rules of US Figure Skating as set forth in the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook, except as modified in this announcement or those adopted at the May 2012 meeting of the Governing Council. The programs will be skated for the 2012-2013 competitive season. The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for Juvenile/Open Juvenile-Senior Free Skating and Short Programs and Adult Gold-Masters. Chief Referee: Dr. Barry Doren, Chief Accountant: Joyce Herron

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT SHEET (PPCS): Competitors in IJS events are required to submit a PPCS. The PPCS is to be completed online not later than **June 8, 2012** but can be updated at no charge until June 15, 2012. Please go to www.usfsaonline.org and follow the instructions to complete your PPCS. For those who do not submit the PPCS by June 8, 2012, a \$25 processing fee will be incurred. Please note that any PPCS submitted by paper (except by Canadians who are not USFSA members) regardless of date, will incur the \$25 processing fee. Open Juvenile skaters should fill out the PPCS for Juvenile. Canadians should email the list of elements to Vicki Scott.

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRIES: Eligible competitors are current members in good standing of US Figure Skating and shall be eligible to enter events based on their test status as of **May 18, 2012**. Low-level flights will be divided in age groups of 8-10 skaters whenever possible. A minimum of two entries will be required for all flights to be scheduled. Compulsory, jumps, and spins events may be ladies and men combined.

For the 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. **Basic Skills participants please see page 12 of announcement for more information.**

CLOSING DATE: Entries must be postmarked by **May 18, 2012**. Late entries, if accepted, will be assessed a \$25 late fee. No refunds after deadline unless event is cancelled. Any change to skating level or event after deadline is subject to a \$20 change fee. Medical refunds will not be given.

REGISTRATION: Registration will be online this year at www.sk8stuff.com. Please register online and send the voucher, forms and payment to the address on the entry form. The Registration Desk (located on the Main Level) will be open concurrent with the first practice ice session through the end of the day’s competition. Skaters must check in at least one hour prior to their first event. Registration will be your final confirmation of competition time.

SCHEDULING OF EVENTS: A tentative schedule of competition events & the skater’s event time(s) will be emailed to each competitor as soon as provided by the referee. The schedule will be posted at www.ggrfsc.org and www.sk8stuff.com as soon as it is known. All times are approximate. Please check with Registration for changes and exact times.

PRACTICE ICE: Will be available at various times on Friday and Saturday. Practice ice schedule will be posted and sold online at www.sk8stuff.com. Further information will be available with your confirmation email.

MUSIC: CDs ONLY are acceptable, with one track of music per CD and must be clearly marked. Music must be left at the Registration Desk at time of registration. Competitors must have an extra copy of their music available rink side during competition.

AWARDS: Medals are awarded for 1st – 4th place; Ribbons are awarded for 5th – 9th place.

FEES: *Includes DVD of each event*

\$95 First IJS event (Juvenile/Open Juvenile – Senior; Adult Gold; Adult Masters)

\$50 Each additional IJS event

\$85 First 6.0 event (Limited Beginner – Pre-Juvenile, Showcase, Adult Pre-Bronze – Silver, Dance)

\$45 Each additional 6.0 event

\$50 Limited Beginner or Beginner Compulsory as **only** event

\$50 First Snow Plow Sam or Basic Skills 1-8

\$25 Second Snow Plow Sam or Basic Skills 1-8

\$20 change of event fee

\$25 NSF fee will be charged for all returned checks

\$25 Late fee for entries received after 5/18/12

Make Checks Payable to GGRFSC

Online entries are greatly preferred. Fill out entries at www.sk8stuff.com. Checks and voucher still need to be printed and mailed to the address below within 48 hours of online entry.

SEND ENTRY VOUCHER & PAYMENT TO: Vicki Scott, 3215 Michele Lane, Hamilton, MI 49419

TEST SESSION: A test session will be available in conjunction with the competition. Please go to our website for detailed updates as the competition approaches. www.ggrfsc.org



Meijer State Games of Michigan
Waiver and Release of Liability
Read Before Signing

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the Meijer State Games of Michigan athletic / sports program, related events and activities, I, _____, the undersigned
Name of Participant
acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

1. The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If however I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from the participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS Meijer State Games of Michigan their officers, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("Releasees"). WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

X _____ Age: _____ Date Signed: _____
PARTICIPANTS SIGNATURE

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE
(UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

X _____
PARENT / GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE EMERGENCY PHONE #

Date Signed: _____

Singles Free Skating Events (with music)

Skaters may 'skate up' one level but may not skate more than one level.

Skaters may enter either the test track free skate or the well-balanced free skate events but not both.

Times are +/- 10seconds.

Program requirements not specified below are defined in the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook rules 4270 – 4200

LIMITED BEGINNER **1 ½ minutes**

Must not have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test or its equivalent. May only include half revolution jumps. *Max: 5 jump elements. Max 2 jump sequences, max 2 of any same jump. Max 2 spins:* two upright spins, no change of foot (min 3 revs), no flying entries. Connecting moves and steps throughout the program.

BEGINNER **1 ½ minutes**

Must not have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test or its equivalent. May include any half revolution jumps plus Salchows and toe-loops. *Max 5 jump elements. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins:* Two upright spins, change of foot optional, may not include flying spins (min 3 revs). Connecting steps and moves throughout the program.

NO TEST **1 ½ minutes** **4280**

Must not have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test or its equivalent. Single jumps (axel not allowed). *Max 5 jump elements. Max 2 spins.*

PRE-PRELIMINARY **1 ½ minutes** **4270**

Must have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test and no higher. May include axels. May NOT include double jumps.

PRE-PRELIMINARY LIMITED **1 ½ minutes** **4270**

Must have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test and no higher. May NOT include axels, double jumps or flying spins.

PRE-PRELIMINARY (Test Track) **1 ½ minutes**

Skaters may not have passed test higher than the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test. *Max: 5 jumping elements.* Jumps with not more than one-half revolution (front to back or back to front including half loop), Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe-loop, and loop only. *Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins:* two spins of a different nature, one position only, no change of foot (min 3 revs); no flying spins. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

PRELIMINARY **1 ½ minutes** **4260**

Must have passed the Preliminary Free Skating test and no higher.

PRELIMINARY (Test Track) **1 ½ minutes**

Must have passed at least the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating test but may not have passed tests higher than the Preliminary Free Skate test. *Max: 5 jump elements.* Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). *Max 2 jump combinations or sequences. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins:* one spin in one position, no change of foot, no flying entry (min 3 revs) and one consisting of a front scratch to back scratch, exit on spinning foot not mandatory (min 3 revs on each foot). Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

PRE-JUVENILE **2 minutes** **4250**

Must have passed the Pre-Juvenile Free Skating test and no higher.

PRE-JUVENILE (Test Track) **2 minutes**

Must have passed at least the Preliminary Free Skating test but may not have passed tests higher than Pre-Juvenile Free Skating test. *Max: 5 jumping elements.* Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). *Max 2 jump combinations or sequences are allowed. Max 2 of any same type jump. Max 2 spins:* One spin in one position, no change of foot (min 3 revs) and one combination spin: forward camel spin to forward sit spin, change of foot optional (min 6 revs combined in forward sit and camel positions). Spins may not fly. Step sequence: straight, circular, or serpentine fully utilizing ice surface.

OPEN JUVENILE (IJS)* **2 ¼ minutes** **4240**

Must be 14 years old/older as of the closing date. Must have passed the Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher.

JUVENILE (IJS)* **2 ¼ minutes** **4240**

Must not have reached the age of 14 years old as of the closing date. Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher.

JUVENILE (Test Track 6.0) 2 ¼ minutes

Skaters must have passed at least the Pre-Juvenile Free Skating test but may not have passed tests higher than Juvenile Free Skating test. *Max: 5 jump elements.* Any single jumps with not more than 1 ½ rotations. (Axel permitted). *Max 2 jump combinations or sequences.* *Max 2 of any same type jump.* *Max 2 spins:* One spin in one position, no change of foot (min 4 revs in position) and one combination spin with one change of foot and at least one change of position, must include two of the basic spin positions (min 4 revs on each foot). Only solo spin may fly. Step sequence: straight, circular, or serpentine fully utilizing ice surface.

INTERMEDIATE (IJS)* 2 ½ minutes 4230

Must have passed the Intermediate Free Skating Test and no higher.

INTERMEDIATE (Test Track 6.0) 2 ½ minutes

Skaters must have passed at least the Juvenile Free Skating test but may not have passed tests higher than Intermediate Free Skating test. *Max: 6 jump elements.* Any single jumps. Double jumps may only be the double Salchow and the double toe-loop. *Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences.* *Max 2 of any same type jump.* *Max 2 spins of a different nature:* one must be a flying spin (min 5 revs), one must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (min 4 revs on each foot). Step sequence: straight line, circular, or serpentine fully utilizing ice surface.

NOVICE (IJS)* Ladies – 3 min; Men – 3 ½ min 4220

Must have passed the Novice Free Skating Test and no higher.

NOVICE (Test Track 6.0) Ladies – 3 min; Men – 3 ½ min

Skaters must have passed at least Intermediate Free Skating test but may not have passed tests higher than Novice Free Skating test. *Max: 7 jump elements for men; 6 for ladies.* Any single jumps. Double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe-loop and the double loop. *Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences.* *Max 2 of any same type jump.* *Max 3 spins of a different nature:* one must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least one change of position (min 5 revs on each foot). The other spins are the option of the skater (min 6 revs). All spins may fly. Step or spiral sequence: see Rule 4220 for description.

JUNIOR (IJS)* Ladies – 3 ½ min; Men – 4 min 4210

Must have passed Junior Free Skating Test and no higher.

JUNIOR (Test Track 6.0) Ladies – 3 ½ min; Men – 4 min

Skaters must have passed at least the Novice Free Skating test but may not have passed tests higher than Junior Free Skating test. *Max: 8 jump elements for men; 7 for ladies.* Any single jumps. Double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe-loop, double loop and the double flip. *Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences.* *Max 2 of any same type jump.* *Max 3 spins of a different nature:* one must be a spin in one position (6 revs), one a flying spin (6 revs) and one a combination spin consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (min 2 continuous revs in each basic position and min 5 revs each foot). Step sequence: of advanced difficulty, covering the full ice surface (see Rule 4210 for description).

SENIOR (IJS)* Ladies – 4 min; Men – 4 ½ min 4200

Must have passed Senior Free Skating Test.

SENIOR (Test Track 6.0) Ladies – 4 min; Men – 4 ½ min

Skaters must have passed at least the Junior Free Skating test. *Max: 8 jump elements for men; 7 for ladies.* Any single jumps. Must include at least 4 different double jumps, 1 must be a double Lutz. No triple jumps permitted. *Max of 3 jump combinations or sequences.* *Max 2 of any same type jump.* *Max 3 spins of a different nature:* one must be a spin in one position (6 revs), one a flying spin (6 revs), and one a combination spin combination consisting of all three basic spin positions and one change of foot (min 2 continuous revs in each basic position and min 5 revs each foot). Steps Men: two different step sequences. Steps Ladies: one step sequence and one spiral sequence (see Rule 4200 for description).

Adult Free Skate Events – Open to skaters who are 21 years old or older. All times are maximum. Categories and tests passed as follows:

ADULT PRE-BRONZE 1 minute 40 seconds 4600

Passed no higher than the Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skating Test and/or no higher than the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test.

ADULT BRONZE 1 minute 50 seconds 4590

Must have passed the Adult Bronze Free Skating Test and/or no higher than the Preliminary Free Skating Test

ADULT SILVER 2 minutes 10 seconds 4580

Must have passed the Adult Silver Free Skating Test and/or no higher than the Pre-Juvenile Free Skating Test.

ADULT GOLD (IJS)* 2 minutes 40 seconds 4570

Must have passed the Adult Gold Free Skating Test and/or no higher than Juvenile Free Skating Test.

CHAMPIONSHIP MASTERS INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE (IJS)* 3 minutes 10 seconds 4540

Must have passed at least the standard Intermediate Free Skating Test and no higher than the standard Novice Free Skating Test or, prior to Oct. 1, 1977, the 3rd Figure Test and no higher than the 4th Figure Test

CHAMPIONSHIP MASTERS JUNIOR/SENIOR (IJS)* 3 minutes 40 seconds 4510

Must have passed at least the standard Novice Free Skating Test or, prior to Oct. 1, 1977, the 4th Figure Test.

Short Program Events (with music)

Skaters may 'skate up' one level but may not skate more than one level.

Programs will be skated for the 2012-2013 competitive season

Additional program requirements as defined in the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook rules 4200-4240

OPEN JUVENILE (IJS)* 2 minutes max

Jump Combination – two single jumps or one double jump and one single jump

Axel (may not be repeated)

Solo Jump – single jump, double toe-loop or double Salchow (may not be repeated)

Solo Spin – minimum 4 revolutions in position (may not commence with a jump)

Spin Combination – with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 revs each foot)

Step Sequence – straight line, circular or serpentine

JUVENILE (IJS)* 2 minutes max

Jump Combination – one double and one single jump or two double jumps

Axel (may not be repeated)

Solo Jump – double jump preceded by connecting steps and/or other free skating movements (may not be repeated)

Solo Spin – minimum 4 revolutions in position (may not commence with a jump)

Spin Combination – with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (4 revs each foot)

Step Sequence – straight line, circular or serpentine

INTERMEDIATE (IJS)* 2 minutes max

As stated by the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook, 4230

NOVICE (IJS)* 2 min 30 sec max

As stated by the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook, 4220

JUNIOR (IJS)* 2 min 50 sec max

As stated by the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook, 4210

SENIOR (IJS)* 2 min 50 sec max

As stated by the 2012 US Figure Skating Rulebook, 4200

*** ALL SKATERS ENTERED IN AN IJS EVENT MUST COMPLETE A PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT SHEET ONLINE FOR EACH IJS EVENT.**

2012 National Solo Dance Competition Series

OVERVIEW:

U.S Figure Skating is pleased to announce the 2011-12 Solo Dance competition series. This program began in the 2010-11 season and is open to individual skaters within the Eastern, Midwestern and Pacific Coast sections. Skaters participating in at least two competitions within their respective sections accumulate points based upon placement that will be used to determine qualification of individual skaters to the National Solo Dance Championships.

SOLO PATTERN DANCE TEST LEVEL:

All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above of their highest completed dance test. The determination of level will be based upon test level at the entry deadline, **May 2, 2012**. The test level is determined by a skater completing all of the dance tests within that level.

Notes on the conduct of the competition:

All dance events may be double-paneled at the discretion of the referee. When there are more than 18 athletes in a solo dance event, the event will be split so no flight has more than 18 skaters. *Ladies will skate the ladies' steps and men will skate the men's steps, no exceptions.*

HOW IT WORKS:

At each Solo Dance competition, skaters earn qualifying points based on their final, overall combined placement at the competition. Skaters may earn qualifying points at either: a) three (3) competitions within their section b) two (2) competitions within their section **and** one (1) competition outside of their section

Note: Skaters must compete in AT LEAST two (2) competitions within their section to be eligible to compete at the National Solo Dance Championships.

Top six (6) skaters from each section (who have competed in at least two nonqualifying competitions), in each level (Pattern dance levels: preliminary, pre-bronze, bronze, pre-silver, silver, pre-gold and gold and Solo Free Dance levels: juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior and senior) will receive an invitation to advance to the National Solo Dance Championships. A variation of a fill-up rule may be used if less than six skaters qualify at any particular level. This will allow for an overall total of 18 skaters in each level at the National Solo Dance Championships.

DETERMINING PLACEMENT:

The chief referee has selected two pattern dances at random that skaters will compete at this event. A combined score for the event will determine the final placement for the event. Skaters must compete in both dances

SOLO PATTERN DANCE EVENTS:

	Preliminary	Pre- Bronze	Bronze	Pre-Silver	Silver	Pre-Gold	Gold
Dances in each level	1. Canasta Tango 2. Rhythm Blues	1. Swing 2. Fiesta Tango	1. Willow Waltz 2. Ten Fox	1. Fourteenstep 2. European Waltz	1. Tango 2. Rocker Foxtrot	1. Blues 2. Paso Doble	1. Westminster Waltz 2. Quickstep
Testing Rqmt.	No test or passed Preliminary	Passed Preliminary or Pre-Bronze	Passed Pre-Bronze or Bronze	Passed Bronze or Pre-Silver	Passed Pre-Silver or Silver	Passed Silver or Pre-Gold	Passed Pre-Gold or Gold

*** Test level may be either standard or solo dance. Adult dance, adult solo dance, master's dance and master's solo dance do not fulfill the testing requirements for this event.*

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY IN SOLO FREE DANCE / SOLO FREE DANCE TEST LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above of their highest completed free dance test (solo or partnered), but no higher. Skaters can also qualify by having passed the equivalent moves in the field test. The determination of level will be based upon test level at the entry deadline**.

SOLO FREE DANCE EVENTS:

	Juvenile Solo Free Dance	Intermediate Solo Free Dance	Novice Solo Free Dance	Junior Solo Free Dance	Senior Solo Free Dance
Free Dance Requirements	Requirements according to Juvenile Solo Free Dance Test as listed in the 2011-12 U.S. Figure Skating Tests Book, p. 52	Requirements according to Intermediate Solo Free Dance Test as listed in the 2011-12 U.S. Figure Skating Tests Book, p. 52	Requirements according to Novice Solo Free Dance Test as listed in the 2011-12 U.S. Figure Skating Tests Book, p. 53	Requirements according to Junior Solo Free Dance Test as listed in the 2011-12 U.S. Figure Skating Tests Book, p. 54	Requirements according to Senior Solo Free Dance Test as listed in the 2011-12 U.S. Figure Skating Tests Book, p. 54
Testing Rqmt.	Complete preliminary pattern dance test (partnered or solo) and one of the following: juvenile free dance (solo or partnered) or juvenile MIF test	Complete bronze pattern dance test (partnered or solo) and one of the following: intermediate MIF test or intermediate free dance test (partnered or solo)	Complete pre-silver pattern dance test (partnered or solo) and one of the following: novice MIF test or novice free dance test (partnered or solo)	Complete silver pattern dance test (partnered or solo) and one of the following: junior MIF test or junior free dance test (partnered or solo)	Complete gold pattern dance test (partnered or solo) and one of the following: senior MIF test or senior free dance test (partnered or solo)

*** Test level may be partnered or solo standard pattern dance tests and standard free dance (partnered or solo). Adult dance, adult solo dance, adult free dance, master's dance, master's free dance and master's solo dance do not fulfill the testing requirements for this event.*

Compulsory Events (without music)

TEST REQUIREMENTS ARE THE SAME AS LISTED UNDER SINGLES FREE SKATING

Entrants will qualify according to their Free Skating level, but may 'skate up' one level. Beginner through Pre-Juvenile Compulsory events will be skated on half-ice. Moves must be skated exactly as stated and may be skated in any order. There must be no change of foot between jumps in a combination jump. An axel is considered a single jump. If a program exceeds the time limit, that portion of the program will not be judged. All times listed are maximum. All moves in all levels are to be connected in a free flowing presentation. Excessive footwork and added elements will be penalized. Spin revolutions must be in position to be counted.

LIMITED BEGINNER 1 minute

Bunny Hop, 3-turn sequence, Forward to backward crossovers (min 4 each foot), Any stop

BEGINNER 1 minute

½ revolution jump, Toe-loop, Two-foot spin (min 3 revs), Lunge

NO TEST 1 minute

Waltz jump, Salchow jump, Half-flip or half-lutz jump, Upright forward scratch spin (min 3 revs), Forward spiral

PRE-PRELIMINARY 1 ¼ minutes

Flip jump, Single-single jump combination (no axel), Loop jump or split jump, Forward sit spin (min 3 revs), Forward outside or inside edge spiral.

PRELIMINARY 1 ½ minutes

Single jump (may not be repeated), Single-single jump combination, one foot backspin (position optional, may not commence with a jump, min 3 revs), Combination spin with at least one change of position, no change of foot (may not commence with a jump; min 3 revs each position), Edge spiral, spread eagle, Ina Bauer or step sequence.

PRE-JUVENILE 1 ½ minutes

Single or double jump (may not be repeated), Single-single jump combination (must include loop), Combination spin with one change of foot (min 4 revs each foot), Solo spin (may not commence with a jump, min 4 revs), Edge spiral, spread eagle, Ina Bauer or step sequence.

Spins Only Events (without music)

Entrants will qualify according to their Free Skating level, but may 'skate up' one level. Spins may be joined with appropriate connecting moves and will be skated on half-ice. There will be a 1-1/2 minute maximum. Spins must be skated exactly as stated, but may be performed in any order. Revolutions stated are minimums.

PRE-PRELIMINARY: One-foot spin, optional free leg (3 revs); two-foot spin (3 revs); forward sit spin (3 revs)

PRELIMINARY: Scratch spin (5 revs); forward sit spin (3 revs); camel spin (3 revs)

PRE-JUVENILE: Camel spin (4 revs); forward sit to back sit spin (4 revs); front to back scratch spin (4 revs)

JUVENILE/OPEN JUVENILE: Spin combination with one change of position and one change of foot (4 revs); flying camel spin (5 revs); forward sit to back sit spin (5 revs each foot)

INTERMEDIATE: Spin combination with one change of foot and two changes of position (5 revs each foot); camel spin to back camel spin (4 revs each foot); layback spin (ladies-5 revs) or camel spin (men-5 revs)

NOVICE: Flying camel (6 revs); spin combination with one change of foot and two changes of position (15 revs total); layback spin (ladies-6 revs) or cross-foot spin (men-6 revs)

JUNIOR: Flying sit spin; spin combination with three changes of position and one change of foot (5 revs each foot); layback spin (ladies-6 revs) or cross-foot spin (men-6 revs)

SENIOR: Flying spin of choice (6 revs); spin combination with at least two changes of position and two changes of foot (15 revs total); solo spin of skater's choice (8 revs)

Jumps Only Events (without music)

Entrants will qualify according to their Free Skating level, but may 'skate up' one level. Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile will be skated on half-ice. All other levels will be skated on full ice. Jumps should be performed exactly as stated. Skaters will be given two opportunities to perform each jump and will be judged on the best one. Repeat jumps must be the same as the original. The following format will be used: the first skater will take the ice and attempt the first jump twice, then attempt the second jump twice [higher levels a third jump] before going to the next skater. The repeat of each jump element must be the same jump(s) as the first when there is a choice. This procedure will be repeated throughout the event. Maximum time is 2 minutes for Pre-Preliminary - Intermediate and 3 minutes for Novice-Senior.

PRE-PRELIMINARY: Lutz jump, Waltz/loop combination

PRELIMINARY: Single/single combination (no axel), Axel

PRE-JUVENILE - Axel; combination of any double jump with a single toe-loop

JUVENILE - Axel; combination of any double jump with a single or double loop jump; any three jump combination

OPEN JUVENILE - Axel; combination of any double jump with a single loop jump; any three jump combination

INTERMEDIATE - Axel; double flip; any three jump combination

NOVICE - Double loop; double lutz; any three jump combination

JUNIOR - Double axel; any double or triple jump out of footwork; any three jump combination

SENIOR - Double or triple axel; any double triple or quad out of footwork; any three jump combination

Artistic Showcase Events (with music)

Programs should be designed specifically to entertain and/or emotionally move the audience. Costumes are encouraged. Props will be allowed and the skater will have 30 seconds to place and remove the prop (no props are allowed on the ice during the warm-up). Test requirements for each showcase group are the same as the freestyle levels indicated. The program cannot exceed the indicated time.

Skaters placing fourth and higher in Preliminary and higher artistic/showcase solo events, including adult events, may be qualified to enter the next U.S. Figure Skating National Showcase. Please contact Paula Wagener, National Vice Chair for National Showcase, for further information at paulawagener58@gmail.com.

BEGINNER	1 min 30 sec	Must not have passed any US Figure Skating tests
PRE-PRELIMINARY/PRELIMINARY	1 min 40 sec	
PRE-JUVENILE/JUVENILE	1 min 40 sec	
INTERMEDIATE & ABOVE	2 min 10 sec	
ADULT	1 min 40 sec	Must be 21 years or age or older

Basic Skills Participants

Eligibility: The Competition is open to ALL skaters who are currently eligible (ER.1.00) members of either the Basic Skills Program and/or are full members of US 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 the closing date of entries. All SHOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS SKATERS THROUGH BASIC 8 must skate at highest level passed and NO official US Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or individual dances.

Basic Skills Element Event Requirements

Format: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee or have the option to perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps). Referee driven format examples: all skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on OR each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater.

Skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice

No Music

All elements must be skated in the order listed

Time: 1:00 or less

Snowplow Sam – Tots

March followed by a two foot glide and dip; Forward two foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row; Forward snowplow stop; Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row

Basic 1

Forward two foot glide and dip; Forward two foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row; Forward snowplow stop; Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row

Basic 2

Forward one foot glide – either foot; Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps in a straight line – 2-3 each foot; Moving snowplow stop; Two foot turn in place, forward to backward; Backward two foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row

Basic 3

Forward stroking; Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive; Backward one foot glide – either foot; Forward slalom; Two foot spin – minimum 3 revolutions

Basic 4

Standstill Forward outside three turn – R & L; Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise; Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions; Backward stroking 4-6 strokes; Backward snowplow stop – R or L

Basic 5

Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise; Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive – both directions; Basic one foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg minimum of 3 revolutions; Side Toe hop – either direction; Hockey stop

Basic 6

Standstill forward inside three turn – R & L; Bunny Hop; Forward spiral on a straight line – R or L; Lunge – R or L; T-stop – R or L

Basic 7

Standstill forward inside open Mohawk – R to L and L to R; Ballet Jump – either direction; Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position, clockwise and counter clockwise; Forward inside pivot

Basic 8

Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns - R and L; Waltz jump; Mazurka – either direction; One 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; Beginning one-foot upright spin – free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position – minimum 3 revolutions

Basic Skills Program Event Requirements

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.

- To be skated on full ice
- Time: 1:00 +/-10 seconds
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level

Snowplow Sam – Tots

March followed by a two foot glide and dip; Forward two foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row; Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row; Forward snowplow stop

Basic 1

Forward two foot glide and dip; Forward two foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row; Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row; Forward snowplow stop

Basic 2

Forward one foot glide – either foot; Two foot turn in place forward to backward; Backward two foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row; Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps in a straight line across 2-3 on each foot; Moving snowplow stop

Basic 3

Forward stroking; Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive; Backward one foot glide – either foot; Forward slalom; Two foot spin – minimum 3 revolutions

Basic 4

Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive both directions; Standstill forward outside three turn – R & L; Backward stroking – 4-6 strokes; Backward snowplow stop – R or L

Basic 5

Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive in both directions; Backward one foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum of 3 revolutions; Side Toe hop – either direction; Hockey stop

Basic 6

Standstill forward inside three turn – R & L; Bunny Hop; Forward arabesque spiral on a straight line – R or L; Lunge – R or L; T-stop – R or L

Basic 7

Standstill Forward inside open Mohawk – R to L and L to R; Ballet Jump – either direction; Backward crossovers to a back outside edge landing position, clockwise and counter clockwise; Forward inside pivot

Basic 8

Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns - R and L; Waltz jump; Mazurka – either direction; One 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; Beginning one-foot upright spin – free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position – minimum 3 revolutions

Entry Form

2012 Grand Rapids Open Figure Skating Competition

PLEASE PRINT! Forms must be completely filled in before it can be processed.

E-MAIL ADDRESS REQUIRED

Read carefully, talk to your coach, if you enter the wrong event and need to change it for any reason other than our error, you will be assessed a \$20 change fee.

First Name:		Last Name:		USFSA #:	
Address:			City:		State: Zip:
Date of Birth:	Age:	Gender: Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Partner's Name:		
Day Phone:		Evening Phone:		Email:	
Home Club: Do Not Abbreviate				Coach's Name:	
Highest Test Passed		Check if NO standard level tests passed <input type="checkbox"/>			
Free Skating:		Basic Badge Level:			

Please check off event(s) entered. One entry form may be used for all events entered.

All skaters entered in an IJS event must complete a PPCS form online

Senior

- Short Program (IJS)
- Free Skating (IJS)
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Junior

- Short Program (IJS)
- Free Skating (IJS)
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Novice

- Short Program (IJS)
- Free Skating (IJS)
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Intermediate

- Short Program (IJS)
- Free Skating (IJS)
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Juvenile

- Short Program (IJS)
- Free Skating (IJS)
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Open Juvenile

- Short Program (IJS)
- Free Skating (IJS)
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only

Pre-Juvenile

- Free Skating
- Compulsory
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Preliminary

- Free Skating
- Compulsory
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track

Pre-Preliminary

- Free Skating
- Compulsory
- Jumps Only
- Spins Only
- Test Track
- Limited

Adult

- Pre-Bronze
- Bronze
- Silver
- Gold (IJS)
- Masters Int-Nov(IJS)
- Masters Jr-Sr(IJS)

No Test

- Free Skating
- Compulsory

Beginner

- Free Skating
- Compulsory
- Spins Only
- Jumps Only

Limited Beginner

- Free Skating
- Compulsory

Artistic

- Beginner Pre-Juv/Juv
- Pre-Pre/Prelim Interm-Senior
- Adult

Basic Skills Element (no music)

- Snowplow Sam (Tots)
- Basic Skills 1
- Basic Skills 2
- Basic Skills 3
- Basic Skills 4
- Basic Skills 5
- Basic Skills 6
- Basic Skills 7
- Basic Skills 8

Basic Skills Program (music)

- Snowplow Sam (Tots)
- Basic Skills 1
- Basic Skills 2
- Basic Skills 3
- Basic Skills 4
- Basic Skills 5
- Basic Skills 6
- Basic Skills 7
- Basic Skills 8

Solo Pattern Dance

- Preliminary
- Pre-Bronze
- Bronze
- Pre-Silver
- Silver
- Pre-Gold
- Gold

Solo Free Dance

- Juvenile
- Intermediate
- Novice
- Junior
- Senior

DEADLINE FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION VOUCHER AND PAYMENT IS MAY 18, 2012

MAIL TO: Vicki Scott, 3215 Michele Lane, Hamilton, MI 49419

Certificate of Competitor by Club Officer

I hereby approve the entry of _____ (the competitor) into the 2012 Grand Rapids Open Figure Skating Competition. I further certify that he/she is a full member in good standing of our club, is an eligible skater as defined in the official Rules of US Figure Skating and has passed the appropriate tests to skate the events entered. If you are an individual member, you will certify your own form.

Club Officer Name:	Title:
Signature:	Phone #:

Certification by Athlete and Parent/Guardian and Authorization for Medical Treatment

Athlete: I agree to conduct myself, both on and off the ice, in a manner that will reflect favorable upon this competition and upon the sport of figure skating, and that is consistent with the high standards of the sport. I agree to respect the person and property of others, and in the event I cause injury, damage, or loss to another or to the property of another, I hereby indemnify US Figure Skating, the local Competition Committee, the Greater Grand Rapids Figure Skating Club, and their officers, directors, members, committees, representatives, employees and agents, and agree to hold them harmless against any and all claims that another person may have or which may arise out of such injury, damage or loss, together with any reasonable costs and attorney's fees that may be incurred as results of any such claims, whether valid or not.

Athlete/Parent/Guardian: I understand that US Figure Skating and the Greater Grand Rapids Figure Skating Club or organizers of this competition undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries, or loss of property 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, US Figure Skating, organizers of the competition, the Greater Grand Rapids Figure Skating Club and its officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

In the event (I) (parent if athlete is under 18 years of age) or (my son/daughter) am unavailable, I hereby give permission for any emergency medical treatment and further authorize and consent to the release of any pertinent medical information and records regarding the treatment, diagnosis, and/or examination of (myself)/(my son/daughter) to the medical committee of the competition for which I am entered by the physician representative of the medical committee of the sanctioned competition in which (I) (my son/daughter) is entered.

Athlete's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian's Signature (if Athlete is under age 18)	Date

Coach's Certification

Coach's Name:	Registered Coach of USFSA: ◇ Yes ◇ No	USFSA #:
Signature:	Email:	
Day Phone:	Evening Phone:	Cell Phone:
	Address:	City: State: Zip:

- Check List:**
- Entry Form
 - Check Payable to GGRFSC**
 - Certificate of Competitor Form
 - PPCS, submitted online www.usfsonline.org for **EACH** IJS event
 - Competition Wear/Program/Personal Ad Pre-Order Form

- Fees:**
- \$95 First event, Juvenile/Open Juvenile – Senior; Adult Gold-Masters
 - \$85 First event, Limited Beginner – Pre-Juvenile, Showcase and Adult Pre-Bronze – Silver, dance
 - \$45 Each additional singles event
 - \$50 Limited Beginner or Beginner Compulsory as **ONLY** event
 - \$50 First Snow Plow Sam, Basic Skills 1-8
 - \$25 Second Snow Plow Sam, Basic Skills 1-8
 - \$25 Late Fee – If submitting after **5/18/12**

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Competition Wear Pre-Order

Information will be sent about pre-ordering competition wear at the close of entries.

Program Pre-Order

If you would like to pre-pay for a program we are offering a discounted price and you can pay for everything at one time! Programs will be \$5 at the event.

Select

- Yes, I would like to pre-order a program!
 No Thank You

Price

\$3 (\$5 at the event)

Name of competitor: _____

Personal Ad Order

What better way to thank your coach or wish your favorite skater good luck?! Place a personal ad in this year's competition program. Maximum 3 lines - \$10 each Ad or 3 Ads for \$25

Tell us what you want to say: _____

- 1 Ad for \$10.00
 3 Ads for \$25.00

Total

Just return this entire form with your skater's competition entry form with one check payable to GGRFSC. You will receive any clothing items or programs that you pre-order at the registration desk when you check in.

Competition Fees: \$
Competition Wear: \$
Program Pre-Order: \$
Personal Ad(s): \$
Total: \$ _____

RETURN THIS SHEET WITH YOUR SELECTIONS, ONLINE ENTRY VOUCHER & ONE CHECK TO:

Vicki Scott, 3215 Michele Lane, Hamilton, MI 49419

Make check payable to GGRFSC

Program Advertising Order Form

If you or your business would like to purchase ad space in the competition program or become a Patron Club Sponsor please review the information below.

- Ads will be black and white only
- Email attachments are preferred; send to khoreyegr@comcast.net
- Please submit ads to Jenny Khorey no later than **June 1, 2011**. Forms and payment may also be mailed to:

GGRFSC c/o Jenny Khorey
Program and Advertising
2656 Boston SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Any questions about program advertising can be directed to Jenny Khorey through email (khoreyegr@comcast.net) or by phone (616-949-6959).

- Forms & payment may be sent with competition forms; they will be passed along to Jenny upon receipt.

<u>Ad Size</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Price</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Card	2 x 3.5	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> ¼ page	4 x 5	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> ½ page	5 x 8	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page	8 x 10	\$125
<input type="checkbox"/> Front Inside Cover	8 x 10	SOLD \$175 (premium page)
<input type="checkbox"/> Back Inside Cover	8 x 10	SOLD \$175 (premium page)
<input type="checkbox"/> Back Outside Cover	8 x 10	SOLD \$175 (premium page)

Patron Club Status Acknowledgement:

<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Club	\$125
<input type="checkbox"/> Gold Club	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Club	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Club	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Fan Club	\$25

Contact Information: Please print clearly

NAME: _____

COMPANY OR ORGANIZATION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

FINAL DEADLINE FOR PROGRAM ADS IS JUNE 1, 2012


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Grand Rapids Airport
4747 28th Street, SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49512
(616) 957-0100
www.grandrapids.hilton.com

Please make your reservations by calling the hotel directly and booking your room under GRO OPEN FIGURE SKATING or via the link below:

http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/G/GRRHIHF-GROS-20120621/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

PATTERSON ICE CENTER IS ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE HILTON GRAND RAPIDS AIRPORT



From the North (Traverse City, Hwy 131)

Travel Hwy 131 South to I-96 East
Take I-96 East to Exit 43A, You can only go right at the exit light
Go to the third light (Patterson and 28th Street)
The Hilton Grand Rapids Airport sits on the Northwest corner

From the South (Kalamazoo)

Take Hwy 131 North to Hwy M-6 East (towards Lansing)
From M-6 take Exit 15 (M-37 to Grand Rapids / Hastings)
Take a left onto M-37
Approximately 1/8th of mile, take a right onto Patterson
Follow Patterson to 28th Street. (Approximately 4 miles)
The Hilton Grand Rapids Airport sits on the Northwest corner

From the East (Lansing, Detroit)

Take I-96 West to Exit 43A; You can only go right off the exit
Go to the third light (Patterson and 28th Street)
The Hilton Grand Rapids Airport sits on the Northwest corner

From the West (Chicago)

Take I-94 East to I-196 East
Take I-196 East to Hwy M-6 East towards Lansing
From M-6 take Exit 15 (M-37 to Grand Rapids / Hastings)
Take a left onto M37
Approximately 1/8th of mile, take a right onto Patterson
Follow Patterson to 28th Street. (Approximately 4 miles)
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From the West (Muskegon, Grand Haven, I-96)

Travel I-96 East to Exit 43A
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