



Event #7, Skate the Zoo April 26, 2014

2014 Michigan Basic Skills Series Competition Mission Statement

To give our skaters a chance to develop their USFS Basic Skills in a fun competitive environment. During the competition season - skaters will have the chance to compete at many different clubs and arenas and earn points for a final standing.

A skater may participate in either Freeskating and/or Compulsory/Elements events in any of the Michigan Basic Skills Series Competitions to be eligible for accumulating points. Awards will be presented to skaters with the highest point totals. These awards will take place - on the ice - at the Midland Competition - November 8, 2014

Series Point System

The Freeskating events and the Compulsory/Elements events in each of the Series Competitions will be eligible for accumulating points. Each event will have a maximum of 6 skaters. The system for scoring points for the final award will be as follows:

1 st Place	6 points
2 nd Place	5 points
3 rd Place	4 points
4 th Place	3 points
5 th Place	2 points
6 th Place	1 point

If an event has 2-6 skaters, the points will be awarded as if there were 6 skaters in the group. If there is only one skater in the group, they will be awarded 3 points. At the end of the Series, in the case of total points tied, all skaters tied for a place will be awarded a medal, no ties will be broken.

Points are accumulated for Compulsory and Free Skate events separately.

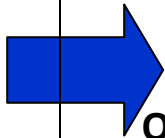
Medals will be awarded (1-3 Place) in each level as highlighted in each announcement. Beyond the Basics **will NOT** be counted in the Freeskate and Elements/Compulsory Program Series for this 2014 season. Spins, Dance, Pairs, Theatre On Ice, Synchronized Teams, and Showcase Events **will NOT** be counted for this 2014 season.

At the end of the 2014 Series Season any skaters who moved up a level will be awarded 6 bonus points [6 points only whether they move up one level or more]. All points follow the skater throughout the year.

Please Note: The USFS Michigan Basic Skills Series is sponsored equally by all the participating ice rinks and/or USFS member clubs. Competition announcements and packages will be available at all participating ice rinks and/via the club or rink websites as well as www.sk8stuff.com. Each competition will have its own entry forms and specific rules - so please make sure to read the entire announcement for each competition.



8th Annual USFS Michigan Basic Skills Series – Hosted by the following:

<p>Event #1–Lakeshore Winter Freeze February 8, 2014 Entry Deadline – January 24, 2014 Lakeshore Sports Centre Contact: Kayla Hinkle Phone: 231-557-5519 Kayla.hinkle14@gmail.com</p>	<p>Event #2 Onyx-Suburban Basic Skills Challenge February 16, 2014 Entry Deadline – January 31, 2014 Suburban Ice Macomb Contact: Laura Schaffran Phone: 586-585-9129 Laura.Schaffran@ONSTAR.com</p>	<p>Event #3 – Skate the Capital March 15, 2014 Entry Deadline – February 28, 2014 Suburban Ice – East Lansing Contact: Alissa Folger Phone: 517-304-4216 Lansingbasicskills@yahoo.com</p>
<p>Event #4 – Spring Freeze at Coliseum FSC March 30, 2014 Entry Deadline – March 10, 2014 Arctic Coliseum Contact: Kayleah Crosby Phone: 517-581-0014 Kayleah.crosby@gmail.com</p>	<p>Event #5 – Mountain Town Classic April 12, 2014 Entry Deadline – March 28, 2014 The I.C.E. Arena Contact: Ginni Phillips Phone: 989-560-3871; 989-775-9148 gpsk8r@gmail.com</p>	<p>Event #6 - Arctic Basic Skills April 13, 2014 Entry Deadline – March 28, 2014 Arctic Edge Ice Arena Contact: Robin Liberatore Phone: 734-981-7109 liberatoremom@gmail.com</p>
<p>Event #7 – Skate the Zoo April 26, 2014 Entry Deadline – April 7, 2014 Wing's West Contacts: Amy Wood / Jessica LaPorte Phone: 269-598-9184/269-353-9668 sk8Amy02@aol.com/J8houk@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Event #8 - Tulip City Classic May 10, 2014 Entry Deadline – April 25, 2014 Edge Ice Arena Jacqueline Alimpich Phone: 517-518-1210 jalimpich@gmail.com</p>	<p>Event #9 - Journey on the River Raisin May 31, 2014 Entry Deadline – May 17, 2014 Monroe Multi-Sports Complex Louis Lombardo III Phone: 734-457-4219 louis@monroemultisports.com</p>
<p>Event #10 –Ann Arbor Skills & Showcase June 14, 2014 Entry Deadline: May 30, 2014 Ann Arbor Ice Cube Logan Giulietti-Schmitt 630-750-2950 Logan_giulietti@hotmail.com Susan Erskine sk8ersmom@gmail.com</p>	<p>Event #11 – Summer Swizzle June 21, 2014 Entry Deadline: May 27, 2014 Farmington Hills Ice Arena Contact: Michael Cooper Phone: 248-885-5428 summerswizzle@fhfsc.org</p>	<p>Event #12 – Summer Chill Basic Skills July 12, 2014 Entry Deadline: June 27, 2014 Novi Ice Arena Contacts: Heather Bauer Phone: 248-586-9261 Heatherbauer123@gmail.com</p>
<p>Event #13 - Skate the Shores July 19, 2014 Entry Deadline : July 1, 2014 St Clair Shores Civic Arena Laura Delbarba Phone: 586-445-5350 Sk8ncoach@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Event #14 – ICES B/S Challenge Showcase July 26, 2014 Entry Deadline – July 6, 2014 Troy Sports Center Contact: Theresa Bellish Phone: 586-596-4071 bellish@nsf.org</p>	<p>Event #15 – I.C.E. Basic Skills Competition August 9, 2014 Entry Deadline – July 25, 2014 Flint Iceland Arena Contact: Lia DiCicco Phone: 810-397-7506 coachlia@live.com</p>
<p>Event #16- Skate the Mountain of Fraser September 27, 2014 Entry Deadline: September 7, 2014 Fraser Hockeyland Coca-cola Contact: Jacklinn Brayan Phone: 810-624-4496 IMFSC@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>Event #17 – Dearborn Basic Skills Comp October 11, 2014 Entry Deadline: Sept 21, 2014 Dearborn Ice Skating Center Contact: Nora Helwig Phone: 248-763-2653 Nhelwig1@gmail.com</p>	<p>Event #18 - Plymouth FSC Spooktacular October 25, 2014 Entry Deadline: October 4, 2014 Compuware Sports Arena Contact: Maria Panek Phone: 734-748-0884 mariapa@comcast.net</p>
<p>Event #19 Tuxedo Invitational Basic Skills October 26, 2014 Entry Deadline: October 11, 2014 Bowling Green State University Arena Contact: Pat Rabb Phone: 419-308-4552 Rabb1960@metalink.net</p>	<p>Event #20 – Skate Midland November 8, 2014 Entry Deadline: October 14, 2014 Midland Civic Arena Contact: Karen Boswell Phone: 989-695-4832 kboswell99@gmail.com</p>	<p> SERIES AWARDS CEREMONY ON THE ICE AT THE MIDLAND COMPETITION</p>



**Summer Camp will be in Farmington Hills [June 22nd].
Check out the details at the end of this announcement!!!**



Skate the Zoo

Hosted by the Greater Kalamazoo Skating Association
Wings West ♦ 5076 Sports Drive ♦ Kalamazoo, MI 49009
www.greaterkzooskate.org

April 26, 2014

Entry Deadline: April 7, 2014

Skate the Zoo, sponsored by the Greater Kalamazoo Skating Association will be held at Wings West on April 26, 2014. This is a United States Figure Skating approved Basic Skills Competition. The sanction will be posted on the official competition bulletin board. Questions regarding this competition should be directed to Amy Wood, Sk8amy02@aol.com or (269) 598-9184. E-mail communications are preferred.

Mission Statement – The purpose of this competition is to promote a fun, introductory, competitive experience for the beginning skater.

Eligibility - The Competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER.100) 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 closing date of entries. All SNOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS 1-8 SKATERS must skate at highest level passed and NO official US Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or individual dances. 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

Rules – The competition will be conducted under the rules set forth by the US Figure Skating "Basic Skills Competition Manual" program.

Entry Fees – The first event is \$40.00 [Events not eligible for Series points will be \$50.00 for first event], second event \$20.00, and additional events \$10.00

each. All entries must be postmarked no later than April 7, 2014. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organizers, and are subject to a possible \$15.00 late fee. Entry fees are per person, U.S. dollars.

Entry forms must be filled out legibly and completely and mailed with a check made payable to GKSA to:

Amy Wood
PO Box 411
Shelbyville, MI 49344

There will be a \$35.00 fee for returned checks.

Awards – All competitors will receive a medal. All events are final rounds. All awards will be made at appropriate times throughout the competition.

Registration – The registration table will be open 1 hour before the competition begins. Skaters will not be allowed to compete until they have registered. ***Please register at least one hour before your competition time.***

Schedule of Events – Schedule will be posted on the Internet at the Figure Skater's Website, www.sk8stuff.com and www.greaterkzooskate.org.

Music – The music for all free skating programs with music supplied by skater should be provided on CD. The CD is to be turned in at registration. Competitors must have a spare CD at rink side to be used in case of technical difficulties.

Practice Ice – Practice Ice will be available in 20-minute sessions. Details will be provided in a mailing prior to the competition date. Sign-in and pay \$8.00 at the door.

Awards will be handed out and a podium will be available for group and individual photos.

BASIC ELEMENTS AND PROGRAM W/MUSIC EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

BASIC ELEMENTS

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- No music
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed.** Each skater will perform each element only when directed by a judge or referee. Skaters are allowed one retry per element. If skater wants to retry, she/he should raise their hand immediately. If the skater attempts a retry, only the retry will count for that element.

BASIC PROGRAM W/MUSIC

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

<u>Snowplow Sam - Tots:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles <u>2-3 in a row</u> 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles <u>2-6 in a row</u> 	<u>Basic 5:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise <u>or</u> counterclockwise <u>[not required for program with music]</u> 2. Backward crossovers <u>4-6 consecutive - both directions</u> 3. Basic one foot spin – <u>free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum of three revolutions</u> 4. Side toe hop - <u>either direction</u> 5. Hockey stop
<u>Basic 1</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles <u>6-8 in a row</u> 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles <u>6-8 in a row</u> 	<u>Basic 6:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three turn - <u>R & L</u> 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward spiral on a straight line - <u>R or L</u> 4. Lunge - <u>R or L</u> 5. T-stop - <u>R or L</u>
<u>Basic 2</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide - <u>either foot</u> 2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – <u>2-3 each foot</u> 3. Moving snowplow stop 4. Two foot turn in place forward to backward 5. Backward two foot swizzles <u>6-8 in a row</u> 	<u>Basic 7:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside open Mohawk - <u>R to L and L to R</u> 2. Ballet Jump - <u>either direction</u> 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position <u>clockwise and counter clockwise</u> 4. Forward inside pivot
<u>Basic 3</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise <u>or</u> counter clockwise <u>4-6 consecutive</u> 3. Backward one foot glide - <u>either foot</u> 4. Forward slalom 5. Two foot spin – <u>minimum 3 revolutions</u> 	<u>Basic 8:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns <u>R & L</u> 2. Waltz jump 3. Mazurka - <u>either direction</u> 4. One combination move - <u>clockwise or counter clockwise</u> – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin - <u>free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position minimum 3 revolutions</u>
<u>Basic 4</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward outside three turn - <u>R & L</u> 2. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise <u>or</u> counter clockwise <u>[not required for program with music]</u> 3. Forward crossovers <u>4-6 consecutive - both directions</u> 4. Backward stroking <u>4-6 strokes</u> 5. Backward snowplow stop – <u>R or L</u> 	

All events listed on this page are eligible for Michigan Basic Skills Series Points

Compulsory Events

- To be skated on ½ of ice surface. In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A .2 deduction will be taken **for each** element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	TIME
BEGINNER (Formerly Limited Beginner)	1. Waltz jump 2. ½ jump of choice 3. Forward two foot or one foot spin (free leg position optional) – <u>minimum 3 revolutions</u> 4. Forward <u>or</u> backward spiral	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	1:15
HIGH BEGINNER (formerly Beginner)	1. Toe loop jump 2. Salchow jump 3. Forward scratch spin – <u>minimum 3 revolutions</u> 4. Forward <u>or</u> backward spiral	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	1:15
No Test	1. Loop jump 2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (<u>may not use a loop or Axel</u>) 3. Solo spin- sit <u>or</u> camel spin – <u>minimum 3 revolutions</u> 4. Spiral sequence- <u>must include a forward and backward spiral</u> . Additional spirals and balance moves may be included.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests, no official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests passed	1:15

Free Skate Events

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but NOT both during the same nonqualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted. Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from EACH mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra or lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

LEVEL	Jumps	Spins	Steps	QUALIFICATIONS
BEGINNER [formerly Limited Beginner] Time-1:30 +/- 10	1. Maximum of 5 jump elements 2. Jumps with not more than ½ rotation [front to back or back to front]. 3. Max 2 jump sequences allowed 4. Max 2 of any same jump	1. Max 2 spins 2. Two upright spins, change of foot or flying entry 3. Min 3 revolutions	1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	May not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
HIGH BEGINNER [formerly Beginner] Time: 1:30 +/- 10	1. Maximum of 5 jump elements 2. Jumps with not more than ½ rotation [front to back or back to front including half-loop] 3. Single rotation jumps: Salchow and Toe Loop only. 4. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences 5. Max 2 of any same type jump	1. Max 2 spins 2. Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry 3. Min 3 revolutions	1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	May not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook Requirements]				
No Test Time: 1:30 +/- 10	1. Maximum of 5 jump elements 2. Single jumps [NO AXELS] 3. Max 2 combos or sequences [Combos limited to 2 jumps] 4. Number of jumps in sequence is limited to 3 [1/2 loop is not considered single jump]	1. Maximum of 2 spins of a different nature 2. Min. 3 revolutions 3. Spins may change feet and start with a fly	1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.

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Compulsory Events

- To be skated on ½ of ice surface. In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels.
- A .2 deduction will be taken **for each** element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	TIME
Pre-Preliminary	1. Single flip jump 2. Jump combination : single / single [no Axel] 3. Sit or camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Spiral sequence – must include 1 forward and 1 backward spiral . Additional spirals and balance moves may be included.	May not have passed tests higher than U.S, Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test	1:15
Preliminary	1. Lutz jump 2. Single / single jump combination [may include Axel] 3. Back upright spin – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Forward Inside Spiral	Must have passed the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed higher than preliminary free skate	1:15

Free Skate Events

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but NOT both during the same non-qualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted.

Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from **EACH** mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra **or** lacking element .
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

COMPETITIVE TEST TRACK FREE SKATE				
LEVEL	Jumps	Spins	Steps	QUALIFICATIONS
Pre-Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	1. Maximum of 5 jump elements 2. Jumps with not more than ½ rotation [front to back or back to front]. 3. Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop jump ONLY 4. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences 5. Max 2 of any same type jump	1. Max 2 spins 2. Two spins of a different nature, one position only, no change of foot, no flying entry 3. Min 3 revolutions	1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	May not have passed tests higher than U.S, Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test
Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	1. Maximum of 5 jump elements 2. Jumps with not more than one rotation [no axels] . 3. Max 2 jump combinations or sequences 4. Max 2 of any same type jump	1. Max 2 spins 2. One spin in one position, no change of foot, no flying entry (3 revolutions min) 3. One consisting of a front scratch to back scratch, exit on spinning foot not mandatory (Min 3 rev on each foot).	1. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Must have passed the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed higher than preliminary free skate

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Free Skate Events

Skaters may enter EITHER the test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but **NOT** both during the same non-qualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted.

Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from **EACH** mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra **or** lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook Requirements]				
Pre-Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maximum of 5 jump elements. 2. Single jumps – axel permitted – no doubles 3. Max 2 combos or sequences [limited to 2 jumps] 4. Number of jumps in sequence Limited to 3 [1/2 loop not considered single jump], axel may be repeated as individual jump, combo or sequence [Max 2 axels] 5. Double or triple jumps not allowed 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maximum of 2 spins of a different nature 2. Spins may change feet and start with a fly 3. Minimum 3 revolutions 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One step sequence utilizing ½ the ice surface 2. Straight line, circular or serpentine 	May not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test
Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maximum of 5 jump elements: 2. 1 Axel or Waltz jump type jump 3. Max 2 combos/sequences - Combos limited to 2 jumps, 4. Number of jumps in sequence - Limited to 3 [1/2 loop not considered a single jump] 5. 2 different double jumps allowed (double Salchow, double Toe or double Loop only) 6. Axel and no more than 2 different double jumps may be repeated as individual jumps, combos, or in sequences. 7. Max of 2 Axels or any double jump 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maximum of 2 spins of a different nature 2. Spins may change feet and start with a fly 3. Minimum 3 revolutions 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One step sequence utilizing ½ the ice surface 2. Straight line, circular or serpentine 	Must have passed the no higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate

Additional Events

INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM

During warm-up skaters will hear music selection twice. Following the warm-up all skaters except for the first skater will be escorted to a soundproof locker room or another area of the arena. The first skater will hear the music one more time and then perform a program to the music. As each skater performs the next skater will be allowed to hear the music for the 3rd time. The listening skater will not be allowed to view the performing skater.

LEVEL	ELEMENTS / MUSIC THEME	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Beginner	No flying spins or combination spins MUSIC THEME: Country	Basic 7 – No Test	1:15 minutes Or less
Pre-Preliminary	No flying spins, axels or double jumps MUSIC THEME: Oldies	Passed no higher than Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test	1:30 minutes Or less
Preliminary	No double jumps MUSIC THEME: Broadway	Passed no higher than Preliminary Free Skate Test	1:30 minutes Or less

DANCE – SOLO

- Referee will determine # of patterns
- Skater's may compete in a max of 3 dances, must be from same level

LEVEL – Preliminary	LEVEL – Pre-Bronze
Dutch Waltz	Swing Dance
Canasta Tango	Cha Cha
Rhythm Blues	Fiesta Tango

JUMPS

- No music will be allowed, maximum time is 1 minute
- Skater will perform 2 different jumps with 2 opportunities for each. The best jump of each will be judged. Repeated jumps must be the same as the original
- Events will be skated using $\frac{1}{2}$ the ice surface.
- Format: first skater will attempt the first jump twice, and the attempt the second jump twice before going to the next skater. The procedure will be repeated throughout the event

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS
Beginner	1. Waltz jump 2. Toe Loop or Salchow	Must not have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test
Pre-Preliminary	1. Toe loop 2. Single / Single combination [no axels]	Must have passed no higher than the Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test
Preliminary	1. Loop 2. Single / Single Combination	Must have passed no higher than the Preliminary Free Skate Test

TEAM COMPULSORIES

- 2 to 4 skaters are allowed
- Each skater must perform a minimum of one element
- Judging done with one mark for each element for total team points

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS
BEGINNER (Formerly Limited Beginner)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waltz jump 2. ½ jump of choice 3. Forward two foot or one foot spin (free leg position optional) – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
HIGH BEGINNER (Formerly Beginner)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Toe loop jump 2. Salchow jump 3. Forward scratch spin – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
No Test	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loop jump 2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel) 3. Solo spin- sit or camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral 	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.
Pre-Preliminary	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flip jump 2. Jump combination : single / single [no Axel] 3. Sit or camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Spiral sequence – must include 1 forward and 1 backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-preliminary free skate test
Preliminary	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lutz jump 2. Single / single jump combination [may include Axel] 3. Back upright spin – minimum 3 revolutions 4. Forward Inside Spiral 	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

- Team must consist of 8 to 16 skaters

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	RESTRICTIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Beginner 1	a. Circle – 1 circle, include 2-ft turn & fwd inside and/or outside edge glide. Stroking from backward to forward is allowed. b. Line – One line, which must cover half ice to full ice and must have only forward skating. c. Block – One block, which must cover half ice to full ice, and must have only 1 configuration d. Wheel – One wheel, choice of 4-spoke or 3 spoke with backward pumps. e. Intersection – 2 lines facing each other, 2 ft. glide at point of intersection	1. Majority of team must be under 9 on preceding July 1 st 2. No additional elements allowed 3. Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand 4. No changes of direction and traveling within elements 5. No steps/moves from Basic 6 or higher	1 ½ - 2 minutes +/- 10 sec.
Beginner 2	a. Circle – which must include the choreographed step sequence: 2 forward crossovers, FO 3 turn, back pump, BO 1 foot glide (held for at least 2 counts), back pump, 1 backward crossover, FI stroke (1 direction only, don't need to repeat) b. Line – Cover ice – may include both fwd and bwd skating c. Block – cover ice and include 1 or 2 configurations d. Wheel – Wheel of choice with bwd pumps e. Intersection – 2 lines facing each other, fwd 1 or 2 ft glide at point of intersection	1. Majority of team must be 9-11 on preceding July 1 st 2. No additional elements allowed 3. Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand 4. No changes of direction and traveling within elements 5. No steps/moves in Free Skate 2 or higher	1 ½ - 2 minutes +/- 10 sec.
Beginner 3	a. Circle – 1 circle, include combination move from Basic 8 b. Line – Cover ice – must include both fwd and bwd skating skills c. Block – cover ice and include 2 or 3 configurations d. Wheel – Wheel of choice with backward pumps, chasses, or crossovers. e. Intersection – 2 lines facing each other, fwd 1 ft glide or lunge at point of intersection	1. Majority of team must be at least 12 on preceding July 1 st 2. No changes of direction and traveling with elements	2 – 2 ½ minutes +/- 10 seconds



Event #7 – Skate the Zoo

April 26, 2014

Entry Form [PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY]

Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____
 Last First
 E-Mail Address _____
 Address _____ City _____
 State _____ Zip _____ Area Code/Phone # _____
 Home Club _____ USFSA # _____
 Male _____ Female _____ Name of Parent/Guardian _____

\$40 First Event				\$50 First Event			
\$20 Second Event				\$20 Second Event, \$10 additional events			
Basic Compulsory		TEST TRACK		TEST TRACK		Jumps	
Snowplow Sam*		Compulsory		Compulsory		Beginner	
Basic 1 *		Beginner *		Pre-Preliminary		Pre-Preliminary	
Basic 2 *		High Beginner *		Preliminary		Preliminary	
Basic 3 *		No Test *		Free Skate			
Basic 4 *		Free Skate		Pre-Preliminary TT		Team Compulsory	
Basic 5 *		Beginner *		Preliminary TT		❖ Complete pg. 12	
Basic 6 *		High Beginner *				Beginner	
Basic 7 *				WELL - BALANCED		High Beginner	
Basic 8 *		WELL - BALANCED		Free Skate		No Test	
		Free Skate		Pre-Preliminary		Pre-Preliminary	
Basic Program w/ Music		No Test *		Preliminary		Preliminary	
Snowplow Sam*							
Basic 1 *		Tests Passed:		Interpretive Program		Solo Dance - Preliminary	
Basic 2 *		Freestyle:		Beginner		Dutch Waltz	
Basic 3 *				Pre-Preliminary		Canasta Tango	
Basic 4 *				Preliminary		Rhythm Blues	
Basic 5 *						Solo Dance – Pre-Bronze	
Basic 6 *				Synchronized Skating		Swing Dance	
Basic 7 *				* Complete pg. 13		Cha Cha	
Basic 8 *						Fiesta Tango	

*Events listed above with an * after them will be eligible for Michigan Basic Skills Series Points*
Entry Fees are not refundable after the entry deadline unless an event is cancelled.
If you are not a USFSA member add \$15 to fee / enter through our Basic Skills Program

First Event (\$40/\$50) \$ _____
 Second Event (\$20) \$ _____
 Additional Event (\$10) \$ _____
 Additional Event (\$10) \$ _____
 Join USFSA \$ _____
TOTAL: \$ _____

ENTRIES MUST BE POST MARKED BY:
April 7, 2014

Mail form and fees to:

Amy Wood
 PO Box 411
 Shelbyville, MI 49344

Make check or money order payable to GKSA.



Certification of Competitor

Competitor Name: _____

The competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family hold the Greater Kalamazoo Skating Association and Wings West harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property. As a participant, or parent/guardian of a minor participant, in the Skate the Zoo/Basic Skills Series, I understand that the Skate the Zoo/Basic Skills Series, or its agents, may take photographs, video and/or film of my, my minor's and/or my family's involvement, participation, viewing or interaction at Skate the Zoo/Basic Skills Series scheduled ice time, activities, classes or events. I hereby authorize the taking and use of such photographs, video, film or likeness of myself, my minor child (or children), and/or my family in all forms and media and in all manners, including composite or other representations, for any lawful and legitimate Skate the Zoo/Basic Skills Series purpose, including dissemination and distribution of the same; and further waive any right to approve or object to any finished, modified or derivative product or media

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Club Officer/Program Director _____
Title _____ Date _____

COMPETITOR SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

Have you already completed a Concussion Form at a previous series event? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Coach Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
Please print clearly

Are you registered on USFS Coaches Registry for 2013-2014? Yes ☐ USFS # _____

If you are not registered, go to www.usfigureskating.org, click on the Coaches Registration button and follow the instruction for registration.

COACHES WILL BE REQUIRED TO CHECK IN AT REGISTRATION AT EACH EVENT

Phone _____ E-mail Address: _____
Please print clearly

CHECKLIST [please be sure the following is included]:

____ Entry form with USFS Number	____ Club Officer/Program Director Signature
____ Check payable to GKSA	____ Events to be entered checked properly

❖ Team Compulsory

Team Name: _____

Skater 1: _____ Skater 3: _____

Skater 2: _____ Skater 4: _____



Approval code: SMM140426

★ BEGINNER SYNCHRONIZED SKATING / ENTRY FORM

Name of the team:		
Name of the club of program represented:		
Name of contact person:	E-mail address:	Phone #
Mailing address		
Name of instructor:	E-mail address:	Phone #
Level: ____ Beginner 1	____ Beginner 2	____ Beginner 3

ENTRY FEE - \$50 per team, \$5 per skater

Team Fee:		\$	<u>50</u>
Number of skaters	_____ x \$5 each =	\$	_____
Total Entry Fee:		\$	_____

Please make checks payable to GKSA and postmark by April 7, 2014:

**Greater Kalamazoo Skating Association
C/O Amy Wood
PO Box 411
Shelbyville, MI 49344**

TEAM ROSTER Please list skaters in alphabetical order.

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MUST INCLUDE “ALL Certifications” SIGNED FROM PAGE 12

SKATE THE ZOO

2014 COMPETITION PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENT

Make the Greater Kalamazoo Skating Association's Skate the Zoo memorable!! Place an advertisement to wish your skater good luck! Just complete the information below, enclose proper payment and mail by the **April 7, 2014** deadline.

ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION

Contact Name: _____

Skater's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

_____ Personal "Happy" Ad: \$5.00

Maximum 50 characters -including spaces

If message is longer than 50 characters please add an additional \$5.00.

Example: Good luck Sally! Sk8 Gr8! We love you! Love Mom & Dad.

Please return this form with a check payable to:

Greater Kalamazoo Skating Association

C/O Amy Wood
PO Box 411
Shelbyville, MI 49344



NEW LOCATION & DATE CHANGE



MICHIGAN BASIC SKILLS SERIES CAMP PARENTS EDUCATION SEMINAR

JUNE 22, 2014

**FARMINGTON HILLS ICE ARENA
35500 WEST EIGHT MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48335**

This camp is opened to anyone 14 years or younger. Basic Skills skaters up to the Preliminary Free Skate test are eligible for this camp. Camp includes on & off ice instruction. The camp is in the process of a revision. Details to follow.

Parents Education Seminar will also be revised. The seminar for the Parents includes; Understanding U.S. Figure Skating, Being a Supportive Skating Parent, Understanding the Judges System, Outfitting your Skater and getting Involved in your local club.

For more information please contact Suzy Malloure malkidsx4@aol.com



MICHIGAN BASIC SKILLS SERIES APPAREL

pre-order form

FRONT- one color
Series Logo



BACK- one color
state map with each
series event marked
with a star!



Tie-Dye T-shirt: \$14
Hooded Tie-dye: \$26

PRE-ORDER DEADLINES:

2/26/14 Pick up in Lansing Event #3

5/25/14 Pick up in Farmington Hills Event #11

10/14/14 Pick up in Midland Event #20



T-SHIRT sizes: YS(6/8) YM(10/12) YL(14/16) AS AM AL XL 2X (add \$2)
HOODED sizes: YS(6/8) YM(10/12) YL(14/16) AS AM AL XL 2X (add \$2)

NAME _____
phone _____

ITEM	PRICE	SIZE

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