



## **Oregon Open Figure Skating Competition**

**March 11 – 12, 2023**

**Oregon Skating Council**

**The Rink Exchange**

**796 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Eugene, Oregon 97402**

Sanctioned by US Figure Skating

USFS Sanction #: 32225

Chief Referee: William Cloran

Chief Accountant: Katherine Bosworth

Judging by ISU International, National and Competition-Level US Figure Skating Officials



### **Events Offered:**

Excel Free Skate, Adult Free Skate, Solo Dance, Compete USA,

Singles Well Balanced Short Program and Free Skate

**Entry Deadline: February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 11:59PM (EDT)**

## **I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW**

The Oregon Open will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

### **COVID-19 INFORMATION:**

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, [CLICK HERE](#). Include any relevant policy implementation details here for your attendees.

### **NATIONAL EXCEL SERIES:**

This competition has been approved as a 2023 National Excel Series event by U.S. Figure Skating. Athletes are required to read the Excel Series handbook [found here](#) and register for the series through EMS by March 1<sup>st</sup>. (separate from competition registration). Skaters must register to participate in the Excel Series prior to competition at designated competitions in order to have their points recorded and seen in standings.

[Excel Series Registration](#) | [Excel Series Information](#)

- Excel offers young athletes an exciting and competitive environment that motivates them to focus on strengthening their program components and advancing their technical skills each season. Additionally, athletes can choose to register for the Excel Series where they earn points based on their result of an excel event at a designated excel series competition. The top finishers are invited to the Excel National Final.
- Skaters competing in the Excel levels of preliminary plus, pre-juvenile plus, juvenile plus, intermediate plus, novice, junior and senior will compete to earn an invitation to participate in the Excel Finalist Camp and National Excel Final at the National Festival.
- Skaters competing in the Excel levels of beginner, high beginner, pre-preliminary, preliminary, pre-juvenile, juvenile and intermediate will compete to earn special recognition at the National Festival based on their participation and placement within their Section. All skaters competing in these levels who compete in at least two competitions will receive an automatic invitation to compete at the National Festival.

### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

[Click HERE to view the program requirements for the current season.](#)

<b>SINGLES</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Excel Free Skate (Beginner – Preliminary)	6.0	\$130.00	\$75.00
Excel Free Skate (Preliminary Plus – Senior)	IJS	\$160.00	\$75.00
Well Balanced Short Program (Intermediate – Senior)	IJS	\$130.00	\$75.00
Well Balanced Free Skate (No Test – Pre-Preliminary FS)	6.0	\$130.00	\$75.00
Well Balanced Free Skate (Preliminary – Senior)	IJS	\$160.00	\$75.00
Adult Free Skate (Adult Silver – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$160.00	\$75.00

SOLO DANCE	JUDGIN G	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Solo Pattern Dance (2 dances) (not in series)	6.0	\$130.00	\$75.00
Solo Free Dance	6.0	\$160.00	\$75.00
Shadow Dance	6.0	\$130.00	\$75.00
Adult Solo Pattern Dance	6.0	\$130.00	\$75.00
Adult Solo Free Dance	6.0	\$160.00	\$75.00
COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGIN G	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$85.00	\$75.00
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$85.00	\$75.00
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$85.00	\$75.00
Adult Free Skate (Beg. – Bronze)	6.0	\$130.00	\$75.00
ADAPTIVE	JUDGIN G	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Special Olympics Badges	6.0	\$85.00	
Special Olympics – Free Skate Program, Pairs & Dance	6.0	\$85.00	
Skate United Badges	6.0	\$85.00	

## **II. ELIGIBILITY**

### **TEST LEVEL:**

Singles athletes may register based their highest test passed as of the entry deadline OR the level of their paid EMS Series Application for the National Excel Series (Excel) which will establish the athlete’s competitive level (“floor”) deadline.

For example, if an athlete passed their junior free skate test in November and competed in the 2022-23 NQS as a Novice from July - September, they may register for either novice or junior in excel or well-balanced events. The novice level will remain their **competitive floor** until they complete an EMS Series Application at the junior level or higher for NQS or Excel. For additional information on these eligibility updates, click [here](#).

Eligibility Notes:

1. The singles free skate test levels will remain as a minimum requirement to compete.
2. Athletes may not skate down in any event.
3. This update does NOT apply to Adult, Showcase and Solo Dance.

If an athlete, coach, parent and/or guardian needs assistance with confirming their eligibility, email [events@usfigureskating.org](mailto:events@usfigureskating.org).

### **SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE:**

#### **COACHES**

To be an eligible coach at a non qualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

#### **MANDATORY ATHLETES**

Athletes aged 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e...synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theater, etc.) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete SafeSport™ Training. \*

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport™ Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be SkateSafe compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email [skatesafe@usfigureskating.org](mailto:skatesafe@usfigureskating.org) for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

### **III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS:**

The Oregon Open LOC reserves the right to “cut off” entries for all levels, as we may not be able to accommodate all entries with allotted ice time. **RECOMMEND – YOU REGISTER EARLY!!!!**

Entries will be accepted via [EMS](#). Payment must be made at the time of registration by credit card only. Each transaction includes a 3% transaction fee.

**Registration Deadline: 02/5/2023 at 11:59 PM ET**

**Late Registration Deadline: 02/10/2023 at 11:59 PM ET + \$50 Late Fee**

1. Go to [www.usfsaonline.org](http://www.usfsaonline.org)
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or if Compete USA events are offered, your Learn to Skate USA member number and password
  - a. If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).
3. Click EMS then “Competition Registration”
4. Choose “Oregon Open Competition” from the list of non qualifying competitions.
  - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org).

#### **FOREIGN SKATERS:**

Non-U.S. skaters intending to register for this competition must set up a non-member account prior to registering for the competition ([click here for HOW TO](#)). This can be done by choosing the “Non-Member? Create Account” option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

#### **REFUND POLICY**

Entry fees will not be refunded after the entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. Events with one skater only will be given the opportunity to skate up a level or choose a refund.

#### **LIABILITY:**

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA, Oregon Skating Council, Eugene Figure Skating Club and The Rink Exchange accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

#### **TEST CREDIT:**

**NOTE: skaters will be required to register for test credit via EMS.**

Skaters that would like to use their competition results for test credit must complete a request through EMS. Requests will be accepted until 9:00 AM Saturday, 3/11/2023. Test credit packets will be emailed to the email address listed in EMS, no later than one week after conclusion of the competition.

Test credit packets are free. If you would like Carousel Sherwood FSC to process your test credit through USFS, there will be a \$40.00 processing fee, to be paid at registration.

## **REFEREE:**

The decision of the Referee on all matters will be final. The Referee, along with the LOC, shall have the right to exclude any person(s) whose behavior is unruly or unsportsmanlike. Additionally, the Referee reserves the right to combine or split events to best accommodate the number of entries and schedule of events.

## **CRITIQUES:**

As an approved 2023 Excel Series competition, no critiques will be offered at this event.

## **MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:**

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to the [EMS Competition Portal](#) no later than **2/15/2023 11:59PM ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$50.00 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

**DEADLINE: DATE 2/15/2023**

EMS SKATER MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)*

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rinkside whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector, an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required to be attached. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode and volume turned to maximum.

## **PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD – FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY:**

Include instructions as to how attendees will provide your competition with their Planned Program Content (PPC). Include details about any online uploads including deadlines or where PPC is to be dropped off on-site. PPC Paper form, [click here](#).

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in the [EMS Competition Portal](#) no later than **2/15/2023, 11:59PM ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$50 Late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

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## **IV. COMPETITION DETAILS**

### **FACILITIES:**

Facility Name The Rink Exchange  
Facility Address 796 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Eugene, Oregon  
Facility Website [therinkexchange.com](http://therinkexchange.com)

The Rink Exchange Ice Arena is located in Eugene, Oregon. Temperature inside the rink area is cold. Heavy jackets or

clothing are required to keep warm. Spectators can get chilly from cold air movement, so sweaters/jackets are recommended. Rink dimensions are approximately 85' x 185', with four rounded corners. There is one women's restroom and one men's restroom in the rink. **RESTROOMS ARE NOT TO BE USED AS CHANGING ROOMS.**

### **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:**

Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available at this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but changing will not be permitted in these spaces.

### **U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:**

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

### **OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:**

All competition information will be included in the EMS Skater/Coach portal. Additionally, an official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby of the arena. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

All starting orders and results will be posted to a designated website. The link will be provided prior to the competition starting.

### **SCHEDULE**

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

### **EMS PRACTICE ICE**

UPI sessions will be offered for all events. Skater music will not be played. **There is a pre-purchase maximum of 1 UPI session per skater, per eligible event.** UPI will be 20 minutes in length for all events and is non-refundable. For any questions regarding Practice Ice, contact [president@oregonskating.org](mailto:president@oregonskating.org)

### **Practice Ice Timeline**

- **Pre-Purchase:** Competitors may pre-purchase up to 1 UPI credit per eligible event at \$20.00 per session until 2/10/2023.
- **UPI Session Selection Window:** The session selection window will open on 2/27/2023 and close 3/6/2023. Further clarification on exact dates and times will be provided via email once the competition schedule has been published.
- **Open Sales:** Competitors may purchase additional UPI session, subject to availability, at \$20.00 per session. Open sales will begin no later than 3/7/2023. Further clarification on exact dates and times will be provided via email once the competition schedule has been published.

**ALL PRACTICE ICE WILL BE PURCHASED ONLINE. THERE WILL BE NO AT THE DOOR PURCHASES.**

**We reserve the right to cancel (with refund) or change practice ice sessions.**

Practice ice will be selected by the competitor. After the competition schedule is published, skaters will receive an email from the LOC through EMS letting you know when practice ice selection is available. Practice ice is not

refundable after the close of entries on **2/10/2023**. If you have issues with practice ice the day the competition starts or at the competition, please do not call or email. Please see the registration desk. The LOC will do our best to limit practice ice sessions based on the following guidelines, however, may adjust these limits given scheduling constraints as determined by the Chief Referee.

- Singles Sessions: no more than 16 athletes
- Open Sessions: no more than 16 athletes

Any questions, contact [ProductSupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:ProductSupport@usfigureskating.org).

#### **ONSITE CHECK-IN:**

Check-in will open on Saturday, March 11, one hour prior to first practice ice in the arena lobby.

#### **AWARDS:**

Individual events are separate and considered final rounds. Solo Pattern Dance placements will be determined after the second dance. Awards will be presented immediately after the official posting of each event for individual events. Solo Dance awards will be presented after the official posting of the second dance results. Medals will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> place.

**For Compete USA events ONLY** – Snowplow Sam, Basic 1 – 6, Pre FreeSkate – FreeSkate 6, ribbons will be awarded for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> places. Compete USA events will have no more than six skaters per group, and all will receive awards.

All medals and trophies will be distributed at the awards desk. A photo booth will be provided for those who want to take personal awards photos. There will be no awards ceremonies.

#### **PHOTO/VIDEO:**

There will be no Action Photographer at this event. A video of your performance(s) is being included as part of your registration fee.

**Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited.**

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Official hotel  
Hyatt Place Eugene/Oakway Center  
333 Oakway Road  
Eugene, Oregon 97401  
541-343-9333  
Housing link:

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Competition website: <https://www.oregonskating.org/oregon-open-championships>

For questions, please contact Competition Chair Malia Geary at [president@oregonskating.org](mailto:president@oregonskating.org)