



STAR OF TEXAS INTERNATIONAL ADULT OPEN

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THE ICELAND FIGURE SKATING CLUB of HOUSTON, TX

at
SHARPSTOWN ICE CENTER, 7300 BELLERIVE, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77036

Skating events include **Adult** Beginners and all levels through Masters. Events include Compulsory, Free Skate, Spins, Jumps, Couples Dance, Free Dance, Solo Dance, Pairs Free Skate, Dramatic, Light Entertainment, and Couples Showcase.

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RULES AND CONDUCT OF THE COMPETITION

The Star of Texas Adult Open will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of US Figure Skating, as set forth in The [2012 Official US Figure Skating Rulebook](#), unless otherwise stated in this announcement. This competition will be judged using the 6.0 system. **The rule book can be found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/201112Rulebook.pdf>.**

General Information

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to all skaters who are 18 years old or older as of the entry due date. Competitors must be members of US Figure Skating, another national association (per rules ICR 2.02 and SR 3.32), or Ice Skating Institute. It is the responsibility of members of non-US national associations to verify that association approves participation in this event. Skaters must compete in events according to their age and test level as of November 19, 2011. Competitors may skate at one level higher than their test level in all events.

ENTRIES / DEADLINE / REFUNDS

Competition entries must be postmarked by Saturday, November 19, 2011. Metered mail is not accepted as proof of postage. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the competition committee but must include a late fee of \$50. At the Referee's discretion, men and women may be combined into a single event, and events may be divided, combined, or canceled. Dances may be changed if needed to combine events. The competition committee reserves the right to limit entries to any event or to cancel an event based upon time restrictions. Entry fees will not be refunded after November 19, 2011, the entry deadline, unless (1) no competition exists in the event(s) entered, or (2) the event is canceled. **There will be a \$25 processing fee for ALL withdrawals. There will be a \$30 service charge for returned checks, and payment by money order or cash will be required for returned checks.**

EVENTS / FEES

SINGLES EVENTS: Free Skating, Dramatic Skating and Light Entertainment Skating, Solo Dance, Compulsory Moves, Spins Only, Jumps Only - \$80 for 1st individual event; \$40 for each additional individual event.

PARTNER EVENTS: Pairs Free Skate, Couples Dance, Free Dance, Couples Showcase (mixed or similar) - \$40 per person for 1st event; \$20 per person for each additional partner event.

CHANGES TO EVENT REGISTRATION: There is a \$25 fee for incorrect event entry information that needs to be changed after the entry deadline.

For more information

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AWARDS

In all events medals will be given to the first, second, third, and fourth placements. Awards will be presented off-ice throughout the event.

ALL Around Champion - An award for the All Around Champion will be given based on points earned. Points will be earned based on placement in each event skated. The more events you enter the more points you can earn and improve your chances of winning the All Around Championship.

FACILITIES

The Star of Texas Adult Open will be held at the Sharpstown Ice Center, 7300 Bellerive, Houston, TX 77036. The rink surface is 200' X 85' with rounded corners.

REGISTRATION DESK

All entrants are required to register at least one hour before their scheduled event. The registration desk will be open at the rink on Saturday, January 14, 2012, beginning at least 1 hour before the start of the first event until one hour before the start of the last event. A tentative schedule will be posted at the rink and on the club web site. Skaters are required to check the official bulletin board at the rink for the scheduled events. The Referee may begin the competition events up to 30 minutes early. The posting of such notices, changes or announcements shall be considered sufficient notice to competitors.

MUSIC

Program music must be on a regular sized CD's (no MP3) and must be clearly marked with the skater's name, event, and running time of the music. The official competition CD recorded at an adequate volume must be turned in at the Registration Table at the time of check-in. An individual competition CD must be submitted for each event entered requiring music. Only 1 song should be on a CD. **A duplicate CD** will be needed for use during practice ice sessions and should be readily available at event time. CD's may be picked up at the Registration Table following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Iceland Figure Skating Club cannot accept responsibility for CD's. Music must be on **CD's only**.

PRACTICE ICE

A limited amount of practice ice will be available before and during the competition beginning Saturday, January 14, 2012. Rates are \$15 per 30-minute session for advanced reservations. To reserve practice ice, please complete the enclosed Practice Ice Reservation Form and return it with payment by November 19, 2011. If available, additional 30 minute practice ice sessions can be purchased on a first-come, first-serve basis at the Registration Table when you check-in at a rate of \$20. To receive a copy of your practice ice schedule, please include your email address.

VIDEO TAPES / PHOTOGRAPHS

Action photography and podium pictures will be provided. Videotaping services will not be provided. Hand-held video equipment for personal use will be permitted in the bleacher areas only. Personal video equipment may not be plugged into arena outlets. Flash or artificial lighting is not allowed during the competition. The competition committee reserves the right to restrict personal video taping to your skater's events only. Individual videotaping will be permitted in designated areas only. Only hand-held battery-operated video cameras will be permitted.

PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS

A form is attached for placing advertisements in the Star of Texas Adult Open competition program. Don't forget to wish your skater or club Good Luck, or to thank a coach for all they've done!

OFFICIAL NOTICES

An official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby of the ice skating center at 7300 Bellerive in Houston. Competitors and coaches are responsible for periodically checking the bulletin board for schedule changes, important announcements, and/or additional information. Competitors should report to the ice monitor approximately 30 minutes prior to their scheduled event time.

LIABILITY

Competitors, Coaches and Officials should read rule #2300 of [The 2012 Official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#) carefully. U.S. Figure Skating, the Iceland Figure Skating Club, Officials of the Iceland Figure Skating Club, Competition Officials, and the ice skating center at 7300 Bellerive in Houston shall be held harmless from any loss, damage, and/or injury that may be sustained by anyone in any manner while participating in any activities of this competition. Your signature on the entry form indicates your acceptance of this stipulation.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

There will not be an official hotel for this event. There are nearby hotels in various price ranges.

COMPETITION EVENTS

Requirements are based upon test status and age as of the entry deadline (November 19, 2011). Events will follow the guidelines of [the 2012 Official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook for the 2011-2012 competitive season](#).

Age Categories

The following age categories apply to all singles events: All age categories may be divided or combined depending on the number of registrants. **Proof of age is required for all events.** A copy of a birth certificate, passport, driver's license or similar proof of age is considered acceptable, but the Competition Committee reserves the right to require additional documentation. The Young Adult age category applies to most events; however, in Dance competitions, at least one competitor must be 21 years of age or older.

CATGEGORY	AGE RANGE
Young Adult	18 to 20 years old
Class I	21 to 30 years old
Class II	31 to 40 years old
Class III	41 to 50 years old
Class IV	51 to 60 years old
Class V	61 years old & over

Composition of Events

US Figure Skating rules covering Well Balanced Program content and Test Requirements can be found at <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/201112Rulebook.pdf>. Skaters belonging to a National Federation other than US Figure Skating should place themselves in the event that most closely matches their skating ability.

FREE SKATING

GENERAL:

Event level is based on age and test level as listed below. Adult program times are maximum times. There is no deduction for programs that are shorter in length. Well Balanced Program rules as defined in the US Figure Skating rulebook will apply unless otherwise noted. Skaters may skate 1 level higher than their test level.

SINGLES FREESKATING EVENTS:

Skaters may compete at one level higher than their test level regardless of age. Well Balanced Program and Test requirements are defined in US Figure Skating rules 4500-4740 will apply for all events except for Beginner Free Skate.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and Well Balance Program Rules	MAX TIME
Masters Junior - Senior	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 4510 (previously 3740 & 3741)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: At least the standard novice free skate test or, prior to Oct. 1, 1977, the 4th figure test.</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>JUMPS Maximum of seven jump elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One must be an Axel-type jump, and at least one must be a jump combination or jump sequence • Up to three may be jump combinations or jump sequences • One jump combination may contain three jumps; the remaining jump combinations are limited to two jumps • The number of jumps in a jump sequence is not limited; however, only the two highest-value jumps in a sequence will be counted • No Axels or multi-rotation jumps may be repeated more than once, and if repeated, those jumps must be in combination or sequence <p>SPINS Maximum of three spins of a different character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a spin includes a change of foot, it must have a minimum of four revolutions on each foot. All other spins must have a minimum of five revolutions. • There must be a minimum of two revolutions in each position, or the position will not be counted. • The skaters have freedom to select the kinds of spins they intend to execute within the spin types allowed. <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE</p> <p>Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One choreographic step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing the full ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One choreographic spiral sequence consisting of either two three-second spirals or one six-second spiral <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sequence that meets the minimum requirements above will be awarded a fixed base value and evaluated by the judges in GOE • A sequence that does not meet the minimum requirements above will receive no value • Jumps may be included in the step sequence • Step sequences that are too short and barely visible cannot be considered as meeting the requirements of a step sequence • Additional moves in the field, spiral sequences and step sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	3:40
Masters Intermediate - Novice	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 4540 (previously 3745 & 3746)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: At least the standard intermediate free skate test and no higher than the standard novice free skate test or, prior to Oct. 1, 1977, the 3rd figure test and no higher than the 4th figure test.</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>JUMPS Maximum of six jump elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One must be an Axel-type jump, and at least one must be a jump combination or jump sequence • Up to three may be jump combinations or jump sequences • One jump combination/sequence may contain three jumps; the remaining jump combinations/sequences are limited to two jumps • May perform only one double-double combination or sequence • Jumps may be repeated only once and only in combination or sequence • ONLY the following double jumps may be performed: double toe loop, double Salchow and double loop • Double flip, double Lutz and double Axel are not permitted 	3:10

	<p>SPINS Maximum of three spins of a different character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a spin includes a change of foot, it must have a minimum of four revolutions on each foot. All other spins must have a minimum of five revolutions. • There must be a minimum of two revolutions in each position, or the position will not be counted. • The skaters have freedom to select the kinds of spins they intend to execute within the spin types allowed. <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One choreographic step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing the full ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One choreographic spiral sequence consisting of either two three-second spirals or one six-second spiral <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sequence that meets the minimum requirements above will be awarded a fixed base value and evaluated by the judges in GOE • A sequence that does not meet the minimum requirements above will receive no value • Jumps may be included in the step sequence • Step sequences that are too short and barely visible cannot be considered as meeting the requirements of a step sequence • Additional moves in the field, spiral sequences and step sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	
Gold	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 4570 (previously 3780 & 3781)</p> <p>Test Qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <p>A. Skaters must have passed at least one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult gold free skate test 2. The standard juvenile free skate test, and no higher standard free skate tests. If a skater has passed the standard juvenile free skate test on or after Oct. 1, 1994, and no higher standard free skate tests, the skater must compete in adult gold. <p>B. Skaters may have passed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The 2nd figure test, and no higher, before Oct. 1, 1977. 2. Any figure tests or moves-in-the-field tests after Oct. 1, 1977. <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>JUMPS Maximum of five jump elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May include the Axel jump, single jumps and the following double jumps: double toe loop and double Salchow • Jumps may be repeated only once and only in combination and/or sequence • There must be at least one, but no more than three, jump combinations or jump sequences • One jump combination/sequence may consist of three jumps, and the other two may have only two jumps • No double-double jump combinations or sequences, double loops, double flips, double Lutzes, double Axels or triple jumps are permitted <p>SPINS Maximum of three spins of a different character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a spin includes a change of foot, it must have a minimum of four revolutions on each foot. All other spins must have a minimum of four revolutions. • There must be a minimum of two revolutions in each position, or the position will not be counted. • The skaters have freedom to select the kinds of spins they intend to execute within the spin types allowed. <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One choreographic step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing the full ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One choreographic spiral sequence consisting of either two three-second spirals or one six-second spiral <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sequence that meets the minimum requirements above will be awarded a fixed base value and evaluated by the judges in GOE • A sequence that does not meet the minimum requirements above will receive no value • Jumps may be included in the step sequence • Step sequences that are too short and barely visible cannot be considered as meeting the requirements of a step sequence • Additional moves in the field, spiral sequences and step sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	2:40
Silver	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 4580 (previously 3790 & 3791)</p> <p>Test Qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <p>A. Skaters must have passed at least one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult silver free skate test and no higher adult free skate tests. 2. Before Oct. 1, 1994, the standard juvenile free skate test and no higher standard free skate tests. 3. On or after Oct. 1, 1994, the standard pre-juvenile free skate test and no higher free 	2:10

	<p>skate tests.</p> <p>B. Skaters may have passed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The 2nd figure test, and no higher, before Oct. 1, 1977. 2. Any figure tests or moves-in-the-field test after Oct. 1, 1977. <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>JUMPS Maximum of five jump elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May include an Axel jump • Jumps may be repeated only once and only in combination and/or sequence • There must be at least one, but no more than three, jump combinations or jump sequences • One jump combination/sequence may consist of three jumps, and the other two may have only two jumps • Additional jump sequences which contain jumps of not more than one revolution (i.e. mazurkas, half loops, etc.) performed as part of connecting footwork preceding single jumps are permitted • Only singles jumps and Axels are allowed • No double or triple jumps are permitted <p>SPINS Maximum of three spins of a different character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a spin includes a change of foot, it must have a minimum of threerevolutions on each foot. All other spins must have a minimum of threerevolutions. • There must be a minimum of two revolutions in each position, or the position will not be counted. • The skaters have freedom to select the kinds of spins they intend to execute within the spin types allowed. <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE</p> <p>Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spiral sequence (any pattern) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface 	
Bronze	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 4590 (previously 3800 & 3801)</p> <p>Test Qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <p>A. Skaters must have passed at least one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult bronze free skate test and no higher adult free skate tests. 2. The standard preliminary free skate test and no higher standard free skate tests. <p>B. Skaters may have passed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The 2nd figure test, and no higher, before Oct. 1, 1977. 2. Any figure tests or moves-in-the-field tests after Oct. 1, 1977. <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>JUMPS Maximum of four jump elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be repeated only once and only in combination or in sequence. • There must be at least one, but no more than three, jump combinations or jump sequences • One jump combination/sequence may consist of three jumps, and the other two may have only two jumps • Only single jumps are allowed • No Axels, double or triple jumps are permitted <p>SPINS Maximum of three spins of a different character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a spin includes a change of foot, it must have a minimum of three revolutions on each foot. All other spins must have a minimum of three revolutions. • There must be a minimum of two revolutions in each position or the position will not be counted. • Spins with a flying entry are not permitted. • The skaters have freedom to select the kinds of spins they intend to execute within the spin types allowed. <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE</p> <p>Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spiral sequence (any pattern) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps may be included in the step sequence • Additional moves in the field, spiral sequences and step sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	1:50
Pre-Bronze	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 4600 (previously 3805 & 3806)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Passed no higher than the adult pre-bronze free skate test, or the pre-preliminary free skate test.</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>JUMPS The number of half and single-revolution jumps is not limited</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The jumps may be repeated as individual jumps, in jump combinations and in jump sequences. • No Lutz, Axel or double jumps are permitted. • Jump combinations and jump sequences are optional. No more than three jump combinations or jump sequences may be included. The number of jumps to be included is not limited. <p>SPINS A minimum of two and no more than three spins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spins with a flying entry are not permitted • Spins must have a minimum of three revolutions • The skaters have freedom to select the kinds of spins they intend to 	1:40

	execute within the spin types allowed STEPS Connecting steps throughout the program are required REMARKS • Unless otherwise stated, all elements must meet the general criteria and basic	
Beginner	There are no test requirements. However, skater may not have passed any U.S. Figure Skating tests other than Basic Skills, Adult Pre-Bronze MIF, Pre-Pre MIF, and no higher than the ISI Freestyle 2. The Beginner well balanced program will consist of: • Jumps: The number of half jumps is not limited. A Salchow and a Toe Loop are permitted. • Jump Combination or sequence: None required, but not more than two. • A single jump may be executed no more than 2 times. If a single jump is executed twice, at least one execution must be in combination. • Spins: At least one spin, but not more than 3. Two foot, one foot forward, and back spin only. Spins may be repeated • Steps: Step or Spiral sequence utilizing ½ the ice surface.	1:40

PAIRS FREESKATING EVENTS:

Skaters may compete at one level higher than their test level. The US Figure Skating rules 5000-5914 will govern these events.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and Well Balanced	MAX TIME
Masters	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 5520 (previously 4115 & 4116)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <p>A. The first partner of a team in the adult masters pairs event must have passed at least one of the following tests:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Any standard pair test at the intermediate level or higher. Any standard free skate test at the intermediate level or higher <p>B. The second partner must meet the requirements for this level or must have passed no more than one level lower than the first partner (that is, the adult gold pair test, adult gold free skate test, standard juvenile pair test, or standard juvenile free skate test).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> For purposes of these requirements, the adult gold pair and free skate tests are considered to be one level lower than the standard intermediate pair and free skate tests. <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>LIFTS Maximum of three different lifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One may be a twist lift (no limit to the number of revolutions) If lifts are from the same group, they must be different (e.g. one star and one platter, both from Group 3) Minimum of one revolution by the lady Minimum of one-half and maximum of 3½ revolutions by the man Variations of the lady's position, no-handed, one-handed and combination lifts are permitted Carry lifts and lifts that include a carry feature are not permitted <p>THROW JUMPS Maximum of two different throw jumps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No limit to the number of revolutions SOLO JUMP Maximum of one solo jump Single, double or triple jumps are permitted <p>JUMP COMBINATION/ SEQUENCE Maximum of one jump combination or jump sequence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No limit to the number of revolutions The maximum number of jumps in the jump combination is two The number of jumps in the jump sequence is not limited <p>SOLO SPIN Maximum of one solo spin or solo spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum of six revolutions if spin has a change of foot Minimum of four revolutions if spin does not have a change of foot Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>PAIR SPIN Maximum of one* pair spin or pair spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If pair spin, minimum of four revolutions with optional change of position If pair spin combination, minimum of six revolutions with at least one change of position and one change of foot by each partner Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>PIVOT FIGURE Maximum of one* death spiral or pivot figure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular hand-to-hand hold required At least one-half revolution with man in full pivot position (buttocks not higher than knee of pivot foot) In the death spiral, the lady's lowest hip or buttock and head should not be higher than her skating knee. A slightly higher position of her hip or buttock is acceptable on back outside death spiral. The level of a death spiral without one-half revolution in the described man's and lady's simultaneous positions cannot be more than one (in IJS events). <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one* element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One* choreographic step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing the full ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One* choreographic spiral sequence (consisting of at least two spiral positions held by both partners for three seconds each or one spiral position held by both partners for six seconds) 	3:40

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Gold	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 5530 (previously 4120 & 4121)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <p>A. One partner in the adult gold pairs event must have passed one of the following tests:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult gold pair test but not the standard intermediate pair test 2. The adult gold free skate test 3. The standard juvenile pair test and no higher standard pair test 4. The standard juvenile free skate test but no higher standard free skate test (see exception) <p>B. The other partner must meet the requirements for this level or must have passed no more than one level lower than the first partner (that is, adult silver pair test, adult silver free skate test, standard preliminary pair test and/or standard juvenile free skate test).</p> <p>Exception: Pair teams in which at least one member has passed the standard juvenile pair test or the adult gold pair test may choose to compete in the adult gold pairs event even if one or both members of the team have passed a standard free skate test at the intermediate level or higher.</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>LIFTS Maximum of three different lifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One may be a twist lift (no limit to the number of revolutions) • If lifts are from the same group, they must be different (e.g. one star and one platter, both from Group 3) • Minimum of one revolution by the lady • Minimum of one-half and maximum of 3½ revolutions by the man • Variations of the lady's position, no-handed, one-handed and combination lifts are permitted • Carry lifts and lifts that include a carry feature are not permitted <p>THROW JUMPS Maximum of two different throw jumps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No limit to the number of revolutions <p>SOLO JUMP Maximum of one solo jump</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single, double or triple jumps are permitted <p>JUMP COMBINATION/SEQUENCE Maximum of one jump combination or jump sequence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No limit to the number of revolutions • The maximum number of jumps in the jump combination is two • The number of jumps in the jump sequence is not limited <p>SOLO SPIN Maximum of one solo spin or solo spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of six revolutions if spin has a change of foot • Minimum of four revolutions if spin does not have a change of foot • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>PAIR SPIN Maximum of one* pair spin or pair spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If pair spin, minimum of four revolutions with optional change of position • If pair spin combination, minimum of six revolutions with at least one change of position and one change of foot by each partner • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>DEATH SPIRAL/PIVOT FIGURE Maximum of one* death spiral or pivot figure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular hand-to-hand hold required • At least one-half revolution with man in full pivot position (buttocks not higher than knee of pivot foot) • In the death spiral, the lady's lowest hip or buttock and head should not be higher than her skating knee. A slightly higher position of her hip or buttock is acceptable on back outside death spiral. • The level of a death spiral without one-half revolution in the described man's and lady's simultaneous positions cannot be more than one (in IJS events). <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one* element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One* choreographic step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing the full ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One* choreographic spiral sequence (consisting of at least two spiral positions held by both partners for three seconds each or one spiral position held by both partners for six seconds) <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sequence that meets the minimum requirements above will be awarded a fixed base value and evaluated by the judges in GOE • A sequence that does not meet the minimum requirements above will have no value 	3:40

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional moves in the field, spiral sequences and step sequences will not be counted as elements but will be counted as transitions and marked as such (for exception to this, see "Additional Element"). ADDITIONAL ELEMENT Maximum of one additional element chosen from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pair spin if not already performed • Pair combination spin if not already performed • Pivot figure/death spiral (maximum two per program; must be different) • Choreographic step sequence if not already performed • Choreographic spiral sequence if not already performed 	
Silver	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 5540 (previously 4122 & 4123)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <p>A. One partner in the adult silver pairs event must have passed one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult silver pair test and no higher adult pair test 2. The adult silver free skate test but no higher adult free skate test (see exception below) 3. The standard pre-juvenile free skate test but no higher standard free skate test (see exception below) <p>B. The other partner must meet the requirements for this level or must have passed no more than one level lower than the first partner (that is, the adult bronze pair test, adult bronze free skate test, and/or standard preliminary free skate test).</p> <p>C. Either member of an adult silver pair team may have passed the standard preliminary pair test and/or the standard pre-juvenile pair test but no higher standard pair test.</p> <p>Exception: Teams in which at least one member has passed the adult silver pair test may choose to compete at the adult silver pair level, even if one or both members of the team have passed the next level adult or standard free skate test (i.e. adult gold free skate test and/or standard juvenile free skate test, but no higher standard free skate test.)</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>LIFTS Maximum of two different lifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of which must be from Group 1; the other lift may be a different lift from Group 1, Group 2 or a single twist lift • Minimum of one revolution by the lady • Minimum of one-half and maximum of 3½ revolutions by the man • Full extension is optional for Group 2 waist loop lift • Variations of the lady's position, no-handed, one-handed, overhead, carry and combination lifts and lifts that include a carry feature are not permitted <p>THROW JUMP Maximum of one throw jump (single jumps only)</p> <p>SOLO JUMP Maximum of one solo jump (single jumps only)</p> <p>JUMP COMBINATION/SEQUENCE Maximum of one jump combination or jump sequence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single jumps only • The maximum number of jumps in the jump combination is two • The number of jumps in the jump sequence is not limited <p>SOLO SPIN Maximum of one solo spin or solo spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of five revolutions if spin has a change of foot • Minimum of three revolutions if spin does not have a change of foot • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>PAIR SPIN Maximum of one pair spin or pair spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If pair spin, minimum of three revolutions with optional change of position • If pair spin combination, minimum of five revolutions • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>DEATH SPIRAL / PIVOT FIGURE Maximum of one death spiral or pivot figure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pivot position is not required • Skaters may choose the position and hand hold <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spiral sequence utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional moves in the field and spiral sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	2:40
Bronze	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 5550 (previously 4124 & 4125)</p> <p>A. Test requirements as of the closing date for entries: Each partner in the adult bronze pairs event must have passed one of the following tests:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult bronze pair test and no higher adult pair test 2. The adult bronze free skate test but no higher adult free skate test (see exception below) 3. The standard preliminary pair test and/or standard pre-juvenile pair test 4. The standard preliminary free skate test but no higher than the standard pre-juvenile free skate test (see exception) <p>Exception: Teams in which at least one member has passed the adult bronze pair test or the standard preliminary or pre-juvenile pair test may choose to compete in the adult bronze pairs event even if one or both partners have passed the next level adult or standard free skate test (that is, the adult silver free skate test and/or the standard pre-</p>	2:10

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and Well Balanced	MAX TIME
	<p style="text-align: center;">juvenile free skate test, but no higher adult or standard free skate test)</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>LIFTS Maximum of two different lifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of which must be from Group 1; the other lift may be a different lift from Group 1 or a Group 2 waist loop lift • Minimum of one revolution by the lady • Minimum of one-half and maximum of 3½ revolutions by the man • Full extension is optional for Group 2 waist loop lift • Variations of the lady's position, no-handed, one-handed, overhead, twist, carry and combination lifts and lifts that include a carry feature are not permitted <p>THROW JUMP Maximum of one throw jump (single jumps only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No throw Axel, double or triple jumps are permitted <p>SOLO JUMP Maximum of one solo jump (single jumps only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Axel permitted <p>JUMP COMBINATION/SEQUENCE Maximum of one jump combination or jump sequence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Axel, double or triple jumps are permitted • The maximum number of jumps in the jump combination is two • The number of jumps in the jump sequence is not limited <p>SOLO SPIN Maximum of one solo spin or solo spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of five revolutions if spin has a change of foot • Minimum of three revolutions if spin does not have a change of foot • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>PAIR SPIN Maximum of one pair spin or pair spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If pair spin, minimum of three revolutions with optional change of position • If pair spin combination, minimum of five revolutions • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>DEATH SPIRAL / PIVOT FIGURE Maximum of one death spiral or pivot figure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pivot position is not required • Type of hand hold is optional <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spiral sequence utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional moves in the field and spiral sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	
Centennial	<p>See US Figure Skating rule 5560 (previously 4126 & 4127)</p> <p>A. Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Both partners must have passed at least one of the following tests:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adult silver pairs test 2. The adult silver free skate test 3. The standard preliminary or pre-juvenile pairs test 4. The standard pre-juvenile free skate test 5. There is no maximum limit on tests passed <p>B. Age qualifications as of the closing date for entries:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Both partners must be 50 years of age or older at the close of entries <p>C. This event will be judged under the 6.0 judging system</p> <p>D. Teams that enter Centennial Pairs may not enter any other open pairs event</p> <p>WELL-BALANCED FREE SKATE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>LIFTS Maximum of two different lifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifts may be from Group 1 or Group 2, or one may be a single twist lift • If lifts are from the same group, each must have a different take off (for example, one Lutz lift and one Axel lift, both from Group 1) • Minimum of one revolution by the lady • Minimum of one-half and maximum of 3½ revolutions by the man • Full extension is optional for Group 2 waist loop lift • Variations of the lady's position, no-handed, one-handed, overhead, carry and combination lifts and lifts that include a carry feature are not permitted <p>THROW JUMP Maximum of one throw jump (single jumps only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axel is permitted <p>SOLO JUMP Maximum of one solo jump (single jumps only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axels are permitted <p>JUMP COMBINATION/SEQUENCE Maximum of one jump combination or jump sequence (single jumps only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axels are permitted • The maximum number of jumps in the jump combination is two • The number of jumps in the jump sequence is not limited <p>SOLO SPIN Maximum of one solo spin or solo spin combination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of five revolutions if spin has a change of foot • Minimum of three revolutions if spin does not have a change of foot • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>PAIR SPIN Maximum of one pair spin or pair spin combination</p>	3:10

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and Well Balanced	MAX TIME
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If pair spin, minimum of three revolutions with optional change of position • If pair spin combination, minimum of five revolutions • Minimum of two revolutions in each position <p>DEATH SPIRAL / PIVOT FIGURE Maximum of one death spiral or pivot figure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pivot position is not required • Skaters may choose position and hand hold <p>STEP OR SPIRAL SEQUENCE Maximum of one element chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine) utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One spiral sequence utilizing at least one-half of the ice surface <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional moves in the field and spiral sequences are permitted but will not be counted as elements; instead they will be counted as transitions and marked as such 	

DANCE

GENERAL:

Event level is based on age and test level as listed below. In partner dance events at least one partner must be 21 years old. The compulsory dances selected are the first round dances for the 2012 US Adult Championships. Test and age requirements, first round dances, and the Free Dance requirements are defined in rules 6512 (previously 4450-4541). The number of sequences of the dance to be skated is defined by rule 6075 and noted in parenthesis following the dance name. See US Figure Skating rules 6000-6913 for further information on dance events including Compulsory Dance and Free Dance. Free Dance and Compulsory Dance (Couples Dance) are separate events and may be entered separately.

COUPLES DANCE EVENTS:

This is a combined event with final placement determined by the results of both dances. Dances will be skated in the order listed. Skaters may compete at one level higher than their test level.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and Selection of Compulsory Dances	DANCES
Championship Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6510 (previously 4460 & 4461) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entry to the regional championships: One partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-gold dance; the other partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered silver dance.	Paso Doble (3) Starlight Waltz (2)
Gold Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6520 (previously 4470 & 4471) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: One partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered gold dance; the other partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-gold dance. Any skater who has competed in any standard track qualifying dance event at sectionals or higher will be ineligible to compete in this event.	Kilian (6) Starlight Waltz (2)
Pre-Gold Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6530 (previously 4480 & 4481) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: One partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-gold dance; the other partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered silver dance. Neither partner may have completed the standard, adult or masters gold dance test.	American Waltz (2) Paso Doble (3)
Masters Open Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6540 (previously 4483 & 4484) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: One partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered gold dance; the other partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-gold dance.	Starlight Waltz (2) Cha Cha Congolado (2)
Silver Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6560 (previously 4490, 4491 & 4492) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: One partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered silver dance; the other partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-silver dance. Neither partner may have passed more than one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-gold dance.	European Waltz (2) Tango (2)
Pre-Silver Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6570 (previously 4490, 4495 & 4496) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Both partners must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-silver dance. Neither partner may have passed more than one standard, adult or masters partnered silver dance.	Willow Waltz (3) Foxtrot (4)
Bronze Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6580 (previously 4490, 4500 & 4501) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: One partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-silver dance; the other partner must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters partnered bronze dance. Neither partner may have passed more than one standard, adult or masters partnered silver dance.	Cha Cha (3) Ten-Fox (3)
Pre-Bronze Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6590 (previously 4490, 4505 & 4506) Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Both partners must have completed the standard, adult or masters partnered pre-bronze dance test but no higher than the standard, adult or masters partnered bronze dance test.	Dutch Waltz (3) Cha Cha (3)
Centennial Dance	See US Figure Skating rule 6600 (previously 4490, 4510 & 4511) A) Test qualifications on the closing date for entries: Both partners must have passed one standard, adult or masters partnered pre-silver dance test with no maximum limit	Fourteenstep (4) American Waltz (3)

	on tests passed. B) Both partners must be 50 years of age or older at close of entries. See rule 6501 (A).	
Open Dance	No test requirements for either partner. This event is open to any dance couple regardless of test level.	Fiesta Tango (3) Rhythm Blues (3)

FREE DANCE EVENTS:

The content of the Free Dance is governed by rule 6512 (previously 4462, 4270-4272). There is no penalty for programs that are shorter in length.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS & Elements	MAX TIME
Championship / Gold / Pre-Gold / Masters Open	<p>Meet the test requirements for Couples Dance at the Championship, Gold, Pre-Gold, or Masters level.</p> <p>CHAMPIONSHIP ADULT GOLD/ADULT GOLD/ADULT PRE-GOLD/MASTERS OPEN FREE DANCE must contain the following elements in any order</p> <p>DANCE LIFTS Maximum of two different types of lifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One may be a long lift (up to 12 seconds) • Short lifts can be a maximum of six seconds each <p>DANCE SPINS Maximum of one dance spin (spin or spin combination)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If spin, must have a minimum of three revolutions on one foot by both partners • If spin combination, must have a minimum of three revolutions on each foot by both partners <p>STEP SEQUENCES Maximum of one step sequence chosen from circular, midline or diagonal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must utilize the full ice surface • Must be skated in dance holds or variations thereof except hand-inhand hold in sustained position with fully extended arms • Serpentine, not touching midline and not touching circular step sequences are NOT permitted • Any separation to change hold must not exceed one measure of music • Dance lifts, jumps of more than one-half rotation, stops, dance spins, pirouettes, pattern retrogressions and loops must not be included in the step sequence <p>TWIZZLES Maximum of one synchronized twizzle (at least one full rotation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No stop is permitted before the twizzle • If a set of synchronized twizzles is performed instead of the required synchronized twizzle, only the first twizzle of the set will be called using the criteria in ISU Communication 1331 (IJS) or considered by the judges in the technical mark (6.0 system). The additional twizzle and steps can be considered by the judges in the program components. • May be skated anywhere in the program except in the required step sequence <p>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a dance spin and a dance lift are performed as a combination, they will be identified as two separate elements • See rule 6095 for additional free dance rules • See rule 6098 for a list of illegal elements/movements • See the Dance Glossary in the tests book for descriptions of specific elements • See usfigureskating.org for the Scale of Values, calling specifications and judging instructions 	3:10
Adult Open Free Dance	<p>There are no test requirements.</p> <p>The dance must include at least the following elements. If elements are repeated, only the first one will be judged. Additional content will not be penalized.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Short Lift (not to exceed 6 seconds) 1 Synchronized Twizzle 1 Step Sequence 1 Dance Spin 	2:25

SOLO DANCE EVENTS:

Competitors in the Solo Dance events may compete up one level. The number of patterns to be skated is two. The dances shall all be started towards the judges.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and Selection of Compulsory Dances	Dances
Gold Solo	<p>See US Figure Skating rules 6620 & 6621 (previously 4520 & 4521)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters solo or partnered pre-gold dance.</p>	Starlight Waltz Argentine Tango
Silver Solo	<p>See US Figure Skating rules 6660 & 6661 (previously 4530 & 4531)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must have passed at least one standard, adult or masters solo or partnered pre-silver dance and no higher than one standard, adult or masters pre-gold dance.</p>	Foxtrot Tango
Bronze Solo	<p>See US Figure Skating rules 6680 & 6681 (previously 4540 & 4541)</p> <p>Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must have passed the complete standard, adult or masters solo or partnered preliminary dance test and no higher than one standard, adult or masters solo or partnered pre-silver dance.</p>	Cha Cha Hickory Hoedown

OTHER EVENTS

GENERAL:

Event level is based on age and test level as listed below. Test levels are defined in the Singles Free Skating section. Skaters may compete up one level.

COMPULSORY MOVES EVENTS:

Moves must be performed without music and in any order with connecting steps necessary to link the various moves together. Compulsory moves shall use ½ ice surface except for Gold/Masters, which shall use full ice. Mandatory deductions will be taken for unlisted or additional elements such as jump or spin repetitions or unsuccessfully executed moves.

EVENT	REQUIRED ELEMENTS	MAX TIME
Gold / Masters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axel • Two-jump combination/sequence (singles only) • Single or double jump of skater's choice • Combination spin of skater's choice: 1 change of foot, at least 2 changes of position (min 4 revs each foot) • Solo spin of the skater's choice (variations of position allowed by no changes of position) • Choice of choreographic step or choreographic spiral sequence. 	2:00
Silver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loop • Flip • Single-Single combination (Axel permitted) • Camel spin (min 3 revs) • Back spin (min 3 revs) • Circular or Straight-line footwork sequence 	1:30
Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salchow • Waltz-Toe Loop combination • Solo single jump (no Lutz or Axel) • Forward Sit spin (min 3 revs in position) • Step or Spiral sequence 	1:00
Pre-Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waltz jump • Toe Loop • Half Flip • One foot spin (min 3 revs) • Spiral or Lunge 	1:00
Beginner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward Edges (minimum 2 outside and 2 inside skated consecutively) • 2 foot spin • Forward inside pivot • Bunny Hop • Lunge or Spiral 	1:00

SPINS ONLY EVENTS:

Spins must be skated exactly as stated but may be skated in any order. Connecting steps may be used but will not affect scoring. All spin events are skated without music on ½ ice surface.

EVENT	REQUIRED ELEMENTS	MAX TIME
Gold / Masters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solo spin (min 5 revs) • Jump spin (min 4 revs) • Combination spin with only one change of foot and at least two changes of position (min 4 revs on each foot) 	1:30
Silver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward Camel spin (min 3 revs) • Layback, Attitude, or Sit spin (min 4 revs) • Combination spin with only one change of position – change of foot is optional (min 3 revs in each position) 	1:30
Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-foot upright spin (min 4 revs, free leg position optional) • Sit spin, Broken Leg, or Attitude (entry optional, min 3 revs) • Back spin (entrance optional, min 3 revs) 	1:30
Pre-Bronze / Beginner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-foot upright spin (min 3 revs, free leg position optional) • Two-foot spin (min 3 revs, entry optional) 	1:15

JUMPS ONLY EVENTS:

Jumps must be skated exactly as stated and in the order stated. Connecting steps may be used but will not affect scoring. All jump events are skated without music on ½ ice surface except for Gold/Masters, which is skated on full ice.

EVENT	REQUIRED ELEMENTS	MAX TIME
Gold / Masters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutz • Axel • Two jump combination (may include doubles) • Two jump sequence (may include doubles) 	1:30
Silver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flip • Loop • Single-Single combination (may include axel) 	1:15
Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salchow • Toe Loop • Single-Single combination (no axel) 	1:00
Pre-Bronze / Beginner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waltz • Half Flip • Waltz-Toe Loop combination 	1:00

DRAMATIC SKATING AND LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT SKATING EVENTS:

These events are broken down by age and test level as defined below. There are 2 separate Interpretive categories that share the same requirements. You may enter either or both categories. Please indicate on your entry form which category you are entering. The categories are:

Light Entertainment Skating
Dramatic Skating

Scoring: Young Adult, Adult, and Masters Interpretive Free Skating shall consist of a variety of skating moves and elements selected for their value in enhancing the skater's interpretation of the music he or she has chosen. Axels and double jumps will not be permitted. Costumes that enhance the performance by appropriately reflecting the character of the music, thereby enhancing the theme, will be considered in the judging. Props on the ice will not be permitted.

Two marks will be given by the judges, the first for **Skating Technique** and the second for **Presentation**.

In marking **Skating Technique**, these aspects will be considered: the ease, flow, glide, sureness, power, and depth of edges; the ability to vary the speed and direction of the skating; the variety of expressive and innovative moves; the succession of movement within the program; the utilization of space and ice coverage; and style.

In marking **Presentation**, these aspects will be considered: the interpretation of the music and rhythm; the skater's musical timing and understanding of the phrasing of music; the use of the entire body to develop artistic and music expression; creativity; choreography and the art of arranging movements; variations in tempo, tension, emotion, and movements; the suitability of the music to the skater; and the internal motivation of movements and expression projected to the audience.

Music -- Vocal music is permitted. Check each level for maximum times.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	MAX TIME
Masters	See US Figure Skating rule 4710 (previously 3810 & 3811) A. Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must meet the requirements for at least the masters intermediate free skate event, any masters pair event or have passed at least the complete pre-gold dance test (see rule 4700). B. Program Requirements: All single jumps, including the Axel, may be included, but no double jumps or higher are allowed. No props on the ice. Use of skating skills to develop a theme and interpret music, and effectiveness of the costumes will be reflected in the marking.	1:40
Gold	See US Figure Skating rule 4720 (previously 3810 & 3811) A. Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must meet the requirements for the adult gold free skate event, any masters pair event or have passed at least one pre-gold dance test but not the complete pre-gold dance test (see rule 4700). B.. Program Requirements: All single jumps, including the Axel, may be included, but no double jumps or higher are allowed. No props on the ice. Use of skating skills to develop a theme and interpret music and effectiveness of the costumes will be reflected in the marking.	1:40
Silver	See US Figure Skating rule 4730 (previously 3820 & 3821) A. Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must meet the requirements for the adult silver free skate event, have passed the adult silver pair test or have passed at least one pre-silver dance test but no pre-gold dance tests (see rule 4700). B. Program Requirements: No Axels or multi-revolution jumps. No props on the ice. Use of skating skills to develop a theme and interpret music and effectiveness of the costumes will be reflected in the marking.	1:40

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	MAX TIME
Bronze	See US Figure Skating rule 4740 (previously 3820 & 3821) A. Test qualifications as of the closing date for entries: Must meet the requirements for the adult bronze free skate event, have passed the adult bronze pair test or have passed at least the complete pre-bronze dance test but no pre-silver dance tests (see rule 4700). B. Program Requirements: No Axels or multi-revolution jumps. No props on the ice. Use of skating skills to develop a theme and interpret music and effectiveness of the costumes will be reflected in the marking.	1:40
Beginner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no minimum test requirements • No higher than the adult pre-bronze free skating test • No higher than the standard pre-preliminary free skating test • No higher than the ISI freestyle 3 test • No higher than the 1st figure test prior to Oct. 1, 1977 • May not have passed the complete pre-bronze dance test but may have passed some of the pre-bronze dances. • Content: No Axel or multi-revolution jumps. No props on the ice. 	1:40

COUPLES SHOWCASE:

This event will be judged on the same basis as the Dramatic Skating and Light Entertainment Skating Events.

Music -- Vocal music is permitted.

EVENT	TEST REQUIREMENTS and PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	MAX TIME
Couples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed or similar couples • No overhead lifts, no Axel or multi-revolution jumps, no flying spins. • There are no test requirements 	1:40

Notes:

US Skaters placing fourth and higher in preliminary and higher artistic/showcase/interpretive solo events, including adult events, will be qualified to enter the next National Showcase. National Showcase contestants must also be qualified by test level. Duets and production ensembles are not required to qualify for National Showcase.

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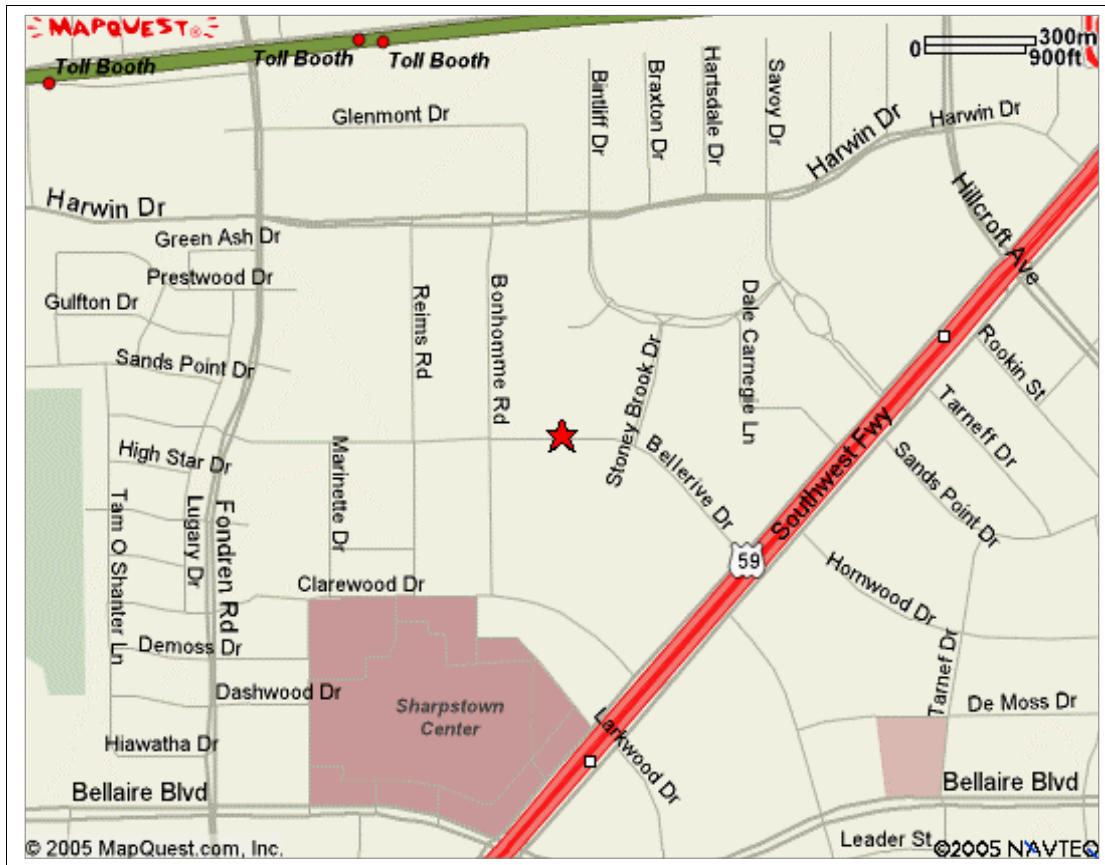
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Location of rink:



SKATER'S NAME: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ (used to send skaters practice times)

ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE (____) _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PAIR PARTNER: _____ DANCE PARTNER: _____

Arrival Date: _____ Arrival Time: _____

(*Coaches: If you wish to receive a list of your students' practice ice times, please include an email address.)
List all events (e.g. Free Skate, Couples Dance) and event number (as listed in announcement) you have entered.

Reminder: Skaters must provide a second CD for use during practice ice sessions.
Practice ice for the Star of Texas Adult Open competition will begin on Saturday, January 14, 2012.

Additional ice, if available, will be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis at the time of registration at a rate for 30-minute sessions of \$20. Every effort will be made to provide competition specific practice ice; however, if additional ice time is required, skaters may be assigned to regularly scheduled free style sessions and the price will be adjusted to the free style walk-on rate. Check the Iceland FSC web site for Public and Freestyle Session schedules.

Please reserve the following type and number of sessions:

SESSION TYPE	Number Requested Sat.	Total Sessions	AMOUNT
FREE SKATE		___ X \$ 15 =	
DANCE		___ X \$ 15 =	
PAIRS		___ X \$ 15 =	
		TOTAL	

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Iceland Figure Skating Club Star of Texas International Adult Open 2012 Non-Qualifying Events Entry Form

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ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

COMPETITOR'S PHONE # (____) _____ BIRTHDATE _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

EMAIL _____

HIGHEST TEST PASSED: Free Skate _____ Field Moves _____ Dance _____ Pairs _____

Basic Skills _____ ISI _____

US Figure Skating Members: HOME CLUB _____ Membership # _____ ISI # _____

Non-US National Federation Name: _____ Membership # _____

Please refer to the EVENTS / FEES paragraph on page 1 for the proper fees.

Event Name	Partner (if Applicable)	Fee
NOTE: There is a \$25 change fee for incorrect event entry information that needs to be changed after entry deadline.	Total Entry Fees (Transfer amount to Transmittal Sheet)	

Payment by PAYPAL is available for a \$5 fee. Please check www.icelandfsc.homestead.com for details.

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELLED.

Certification of Competitor: The Competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that:

The undersigned approves of the entry and agrees that US Figure Skating and the clubs or organizers of competition undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters or officials. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents and guardians and officials shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any all claims which they may have against any official, US Figure Skating, Iceland Figure Skating Club and its officers, and the Sharpstown Ice Center at 7300 Bellerieve in Houston and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Program Director/Club Officer _____ Date _____

COMPETITOR SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

**Enter Total Competition Entry Fees on Competition Transmittal Form (page 10)
Mail this Form and Competition Payment Form by November 19, 2011 to avoid Late Charges**

PLEASE INCLUDE THIS FORM ALONG WITH OTHER FORMS AND PAYMENT

**STAR OF TEXAS International Adult Open 2012
COMPETITION FEES TRANSMITTAL FORM**

COMPETITORS NAME: _____

COMPETITION FEES:

Practice Ice Request Fees (enter amount and include form from page 16) \$ _____

Competition Entry Fees (enter amount and include form from page 17) \$ _____

Advertising Fees (enter amount and include form from page 19) \$ _____

PAYPAL Fee (\$5.00 if paying by PAYPAL) \$ _____

TOTAL FEES \$ _____

E-Mail Address: If you would like to receive event schedule, practice ice schedule, and updates via e-mail, enter your e-mail address on Page 17.

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check appropriate box below):

Personal Check.....Make checks payable to: Iceland FSC (US banks only)

Money Order.....Make payable to: Iceland FSC

PAYPAL.....Remember to add the \$5.00 fee to your payment. Please check www.icelandfsc.homestead.com for details.

Mail Transmittal Form (this page) and ALL Other Forms and Fees to:

**Kristi Norman
Mission Bend COC
PO Box 820346
Houston, TX 77282-0346**

**** Must be postmarked by November 19, 2011 to avoid Late Charges. ****

If you have paid using PAYPAL you may email a completed copy of this form to Pairsk8ters@cs.com by November 19, 2011.

**STAR OF TEXAS INTERNATIONAL ADULT OPEN 2012
 COMPETITION PROGRAM ADVERTISING FORM
 Business Ads, Special Ads, Personal Ads**

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

TYPE	MAXIMUM SIZE (Width x Height in Inches)	RATE	CHECK AD(S) DESIRED
Half Page	(8.5 x 5.50)	\$20.00	_____
Quarter Page	(4.25 x 5.50)	\$10.00	_____
Business Card	(2.75 x 2.00)	\$5.00	_____
Outside Back Cover	(8.50 x 5.50)	\$30.00	_____

TOTAL ADVERTISING COST (INCLUDE ON transmittal form PAGE 18) \$ _____

Business and Special advertising rates are based upon electronic copy and the exact size and shape of the ad. The B&W Outside Back Cover must be camera-ready copy (black on white) with color specification for areas/lines (white, black, red, blue, gold, and silver colors only may be specified). The advertiser must pay advertising agency commissions, if any. **THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ADS IS November 19, 2011.**