



**Skating for Skills
Hosted by the Kent Skating Club
Held at The Pond Ice Rink
March 5-7, 2021**

The Skating for Skills Competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), 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, and who are currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. citizens.

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

- **All attendees are always required to properly wear face coverings** over their nose and mouth and secured under their chin while in a facility. This is not only for your protection, but for the protection of others and is applied to all attendees.
- **Social distancing must be maintained at all times.** The CDC recommends a distance of 6 feet and separate pathways will be established within the venue (minimizing crossover and contamination).
- **Athletes:** All athletes are expected to arrive to the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but will not be permitted to change in public restrooms. Athletes will be required to wear their masks at all times including when on the ice.
- **Chaperones/Spectators:** One chaperone/spectator is permitted per skater. Credentials will be given to the chaperone/spectator to allow admittance into the building. No siblings permitted.
- **Coaches:** One coach per skater is permitted and credentials will be given to allow admittance into the building.
- **U.S. Figure Skating Waivers are a requirement for ALL athletes.** The online waivers must be completed via [Members Only](#) prior to the competition, instruction [here](#).

- **Information:** Please visit www.kentskatingclub.net for updates on the Skating for Skills competition.
- Please note that the Kent Skating Club and The Pond will be following the current Health and Safety Protocols based upon the current, Federal, State of Ohio, and Local Governments and Health Agencies recommendations and guidelines. They are subject to change as the state and local mandates evolve. The Kent Skating Club is fully committed to the health, safety and well-being of your skater

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

Test Level: Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. For the 2020-2021 competition season, athletes may skate up two levels above that for which they qualify but they are not eligible for IJS Test Credit. Note, athletes may not skate down in any event.

Age restrictions/requirements: Singles free skate events (well-balanced program) have the following requirements:

Juvenile: Girls – 12 years or younger; Boys – 13 years or younger
Open Juvenile: Girls – 13 years or older; Boys – 14 years or older
Intermediate must be under the age of 18
Adults must be 21 years or older

Skaters entering pre-juvenile and lower events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

COMPETITION REGISTRATION: The online registration deadline is midnight of February 12, 2021. If space permits applications may be accepted after this date with approvals of the chairperson and chief referee only and a \$30 late fee will be assessed. A parent or guardian AND a club official or Learn to Skate Director must approve the application.

The link to register is: <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=281>

ENTRY FEES: Basic Skills - Free Skate 6: \$55 for 1st event and \$30 for each additional event
6.0 events: \$75 for 1st event and \$35 for each additional event
IJS events: \$115 for 1st event, \$75 for 2nd IJS event and \$35 for each additional event

*Skaters registering in both a Basic Skills event and a Beginner event must pay the Beginner 1st event fee and then the additional event fee for the other events.

Please ensure you have selected the correct events when registering. If you select incorrect events that results in the event needing to be changed, you will be assessed a \$25 fee per changed event.

There will be a service charge assessed of \$35 for all credit card disputes.

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

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.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held at The Pond Ice Rink, 9999 E. Washington Street, Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023. The Pond has one ice surface that is 200' x 85'.

MUSIC SUBMISSION: All Skaters must upload their music to entryeeze upon registration. Music must be in an MP3 format and the deadline to upload music is February 15, 2021. Leaders and trailers (silence or "dead space" before and after the actual start and end of the program music) may not exceed 2 seconds. We prefer that there be NO leaders or trailers at all. Excessive leaders and trailers may disrupt the playing of the music during the competition. Music will **only** be played from the music uploaded to entryeeze and CDs will only be used as a back up if there is a technical difficulty.

Competitors must also bring a copy of their competition music on CD as a backup in case of technical difficulties and must be available rink side during the competition. Only CDs (standard CD-R format only) will be accepted for backups and must be clearly marked with the competitor's name.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC): Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than February 15, 2021. Please enter your PPC in entryeeze. We will not be accepting hard copies of PPCs.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Kent Skating Club and The Pond Ice Rink 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.

ONSITE CHECK-IN: Check-in will open each day of the competition one hour prior to the start of the competition. The Check-In Table will be between the entrance doors or weather permitting outside. Attendees should check in at least one hour prior to the event to collect their credentials. Attendees will be permitted into the building approximately 30 minutes prior to your event start time. Each skater will be permitted one chaperone/spectator and one coach onlu.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS: Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available at this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive to the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skaters on but will not be permitted to change in public restrooms.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice will be available after the schedule is posted and will be available for purchase on entryeeze.

PHOTO/VIDEO: There will be no photo/video available during this competition.

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

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place.

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained at entrance of the building. 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 60 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

TEST CREDIT: Test credit is not available at Skating for Skills.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL COACHES:

To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the compliance requirements listed below and verified by the U.S. Figure Skating. ONE coach credential per registered athlete and the athlete must declare what coach will be attending the competition in entryeeze at the time of registration. Credentials will be given only to coaches that are declared by their athlete.

Coach/Choreographer (domestic/non-foreign):

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check. *
 - The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training. *
 - The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Must complete the Professional Coach/Choreographer Coaching Education Requirement (CER) through the [Professional Skaters Association \(PSA\)](#).
- ✓ Must submit proof of general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/ \$5 million aggregate.
- ✓ Must agree to the U.S. Figure Skating Code of Ethics. *
- ✓ Must complete three waivers: 1) Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Release and Indemnification Agreement, 2) Medical Consent and 3) Name and Likeness Release and Consent Agreement. *
- ✓ If attending a qualifying competition or traveling as a part of Team USA and/or International Selection Pool (ISP), must be a full member of the [Professional Skaters Association \(PSA\)](#).

Learn to Skate USA Coach:

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member OR Learn to Skate USA instructor membership
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check. *
 - The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training. *
 - The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed OR U.S. Figure Skating compliance coach (details above)

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit the [Coach Compliance](#) page.

CONTACT INFO: If you have questions, please contact Nicky Kopenhagen at kscskatingforskills@gmail.com or visit www.kentskatingclub.net for additional information.

SEE CURRENT [RULEBOOK](#) OR [U.S. FIGURE SKATING WEBSITE](#) FOR RULES/REQUIREMENTS.

***Review the charts for requirements and levels, if not offering all levels, include that information below, for example: "Spins Challenge (Beginner – Preliminary)". [Chart below was updated on Nov. 30, 2020 \(see: Showcase New Event Implementation\)](#).*

SINGLES	IJS/6.0
Excel Free Skate	IJS – All Plus levels & Juvenile through Senior
Excel Free Skate	6.0 for all other events
Well Balanced Short Program	IJS
Well Balanced Free Skate	IJS – Juvenile and above
Well Balanced Free Skate	6.0 – Pre-juvenile and below
SPECIALTY	JUDGING
Compulsory Moves (No Test–Pre-Juvenile)	6.0
Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.)	6.0
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0
Adult Free Skate (Beg. – Bronze)	6.0
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0
Adult 1-6, Beginner – Bronze Compulsory Moves	6.0
Compete USA – Spins	6.0
Compete USA Manual	