



Skate Wilmington 2024
The Skating Club of Wilmington, Inc.
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REGISTRATION OPENS: April 30, 2024
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 10, 2024
<https://m.usfigureskating.org/competition/TBD>

CHAIRPERSON: Sharon Hatcherson/Sheila Chambers
CHIEF REFEREE: Diana Wisner

Skating Orders & Results Link-TBD

Skate Wilmington 2024 is pleased to have been chosen by U.S. Figure Skating as a designated, official 2024 National Solo Dance Series competition. We are also offering Adult Competition Series events.

I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

Skate Wilmington 2024 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](#). Skaters and coaches will be emailed any updates to the SC of Wilmington covid policies prior to the competition.

NATIONAL SOLO DANCE SERIES (NSDS):

This competition has been approved by U.S. Figure Skating as an official 2024 Solo Dance Series competition. The Solo Pattern Dance event, Combined Event and Shadow Dance events are being offered as part of the 2024 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series and will be conducted in accordance

with the 2024 Solo Dance Series Handbook. Please refer to the 2024 Solo Dance Series Handbook for the current Series rules, levels and event requirements that will be in effect for this competition. Skaters must register to participate in the Solo Dance Series prior to competition at designated competitions in order to have their points recorded and seen in standings.

<https://www.usfigureskating.org/members-only/skating-opportunities/solo-dance/series-info>

ADULT COMPETITION SERIES:

Adult 1-6, adult beginner, adult high beginner, adult pre-bronze and adult bronze program/free skate events that meet Adult Competition Series guidelines are offered at this competition. Adult Competition Series participants must submit a photo, scanned copy, email attachment or screenshot of the results sheet to adultcompetitionservices@gmail.com by the deadline published in the most recent [Adult Competition Series](#) handbook to receive series credit and points.

II. ELIGIBILITY

Singles: Excel and Well-Balanced Events:

- Skaters must meet at least the minimum singles test requirements for the event's level. A skater's singles test level may be higher than the minimum requirement.
 - o Skate Up: skaters may skate up one level higher than their minimum test requirement allows.
- Skaters may not register for an event level lower than allowed by their competitive floor. An athlete's competitive floor is set by one of the following scenarios:
 - o If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the NQS series, the event level registered for in the most recent NQS will become the lowest level they may compete at in any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event.
 - o If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the Excel Series, the event level registered for in the most recent Excel series will become the lowest level they may compete in any Excel event. For Well-Balanced and Specialty events the skater will be permitted to register at one level lower than the "floor" set by their excel series entry.
 - o If an athlete has never had a paid EMS series application in the NQS or Excel series, the athlete may select their level based on their goals and technical skills as long as the minimum test requirements are met.
- Skaters are not permitted to enter an Excel free skate and a Well-Balanced free skate event at the same competition (example: Juvenile Girls Free Skate and Juvenile Girls Excel Free Skate). However, they are permitted to enter an Excel and a Well-Balanced event of different types such as a short program (if stand-alone event option), specialty or showcase events (example: Intermediate Women Short Program and Intermediate Women Excel Free Skate).
- For more details about establishing event levels, refer to information sheet [HERE](#) or email events@usfigureskating.org.

All other singles and partner events:

- Skaters must meet the minimum test requirements for the events level, but not exceed the maximum permissible test requirement.

EVENTS OFFERED:

[Program requirements for the events listed below can be found here: usfigureskating.org – Skate – Compete – Program Requirements](https://usfigureskating.org)

Skate Wilmington will follow program requirements for the 2024-2025 Season.

NOTE: Skaters may not enter an Excel and Well-Balanced free skate events at the same competition.

There will be no final rounds for events with more than one group.

All skaters competing will receive a video link of their performance.

SINGLES	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Excel Free Skate (Aspire 1-4, Excel Pre-Preliminary, Excel Preliminary)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Excel Free Skate (Preliminary Plus, Pre-Juvenile Plus, Juvenile, Juvenile Plus, Intermediate, Intermediate Plus, Novice, Junior, Senior)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Well Balanced Short Program (Juvenile – Senior)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Well Balanced Free Skate (Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Well Balanced Free Skate (Pre-Juvenile – Senior)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Adult Free Skate (Adult Pre-Bronze – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Adult Beginner & High Beginner Free Skate	6.0	\$145	\$115
PARTNERED ICE DANCE	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Open Pattern Dance (see list of dances below)	6.0	\$80	\$55
SPECIALTY	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Compulsory Moves (Aspire – Senior)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Excel Compulsory Moves (Aspire 1-4, Excel Pre-Pre, Excel Prelim)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Adult Jumps Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Adult Spins Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$145	\$115
SHOWCASE	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Emotional Performance (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Choreographic Artistry (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Lyrical Pop (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Character Performance (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$145	\$115

Comedic Impressions (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$145	\$115
Duets/Trios (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$145	\$115
SOLO DANCE	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Solo Pattern Dance (National Solo Dance Series)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Solo Combined Dance (National Solo Dance Series)	IJS	\$295	\$155
Shadow Dance (National Solo Dance Series)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Adult Solo Pattern Dance	6.0	\$145	\$115
Adult Solo Free Dance	6.0	\$145	\$115
COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$80	\$55
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$80	\$55
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$80	\$55
Adult 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$80	\$55

OUR COMMUNITY:

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understand its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

NON-DISCRIMINATION:

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating’s SkateSafe® Program receives, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the [SkateSafe® Program Handbook](#) for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating’s Code of Ethics (*GR 1.01*) and Code of Conduct (*GR 1.02*), as detailed within the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe or email SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org.

COMPLIANCE:

For full details about participant compliance requirements, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® webpage: <https://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe#compliance>.

COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into two categories, Coach Compliance (includes choreographers) and Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Compliance. 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.

Coaches of foreign athletes: If you are a coach of a foreign athlete only, you are not subject to U.S. Figure Skating coach compliance and will only be asked to provide a letter of good standing for the federation your athlete represents.

With EMS, coaches must be included within a skater/team's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal via "[My Coaches](#)" or "Team Personnel." All coaches declared at the time of registration will be included on the registration confirmation email. Note: There is no registration approval process within EMS as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating database. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

EMS Coach Resources (not SYS or TOI):

- [My Competitions](#)
- [My Skaters](#)
- [Coach Schedule](#)

MANDATORY ATHLETES

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, 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 compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email skatesafe@usfigureskating.org for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Online registrations 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 that is non-refundable.

Registration Deadline: 06/10/2024 at 11:30 ET

Late Registration Deadline: 06/12/2024 at 11:30 ET + \$50 Late Fee

*The host club reserves the right to close registration at any time if event capacity is met prior to 6/10/24.

1. Go to 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.
3. Click EMS then "Competition Registration"

4. Choose “**Skate Wilmington 2024**” from the list of nonqualifying competitions.
 - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

PARTNERED EVENTS:

Only one partner will complete registration for the team. During the registration process, you will be asked to identify your partner and verify their test information. **The registered partner will be responsible for managing all aspects of the competition for the team including music/PPC upload, practice ice sales, etc.**

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.

TEST CREDIT:

Skaters in events that meet the requirements for test credit may sign up for Test Credit in EMS (listed as Miscellaneous Merch). **Test credit EMS availability will close at registration deadline.** There is a \$15 fee for the test credit packet. Signups will not be taken at the competition. The test credit package will be emailed to you at the conclusion of the competition. Skaters: Please remember that your test credit packet needs to be submitted to your home club test chair for processing.

CRITIQUES:

We will be offering critiques at this competition. Juvenile and higher singles short program and pre-juvenile and higher free skate events and IJS adult events are eligible for critiques.

HOSPITALITY: The coach hospitality room will be located at the far end of the rink in the SCW pro room. We request you use social distancing when in the hospitality room.

VENDORS:

There will be vendors available at this competition, but this is subject to change if Covid-19 conditions worsen.

LODGING/TRAVEL:

Please check our website at <https://skatewilm.com/> for hotel information. The nearest airport is Philadelphia airport which is approximately 30 minutes from the rink. There is also an Amtrak train station in downtown Wilmington that is approximately 10 minutes from the rink.

ADMISSION:

No admission fee will be charged for spectators. Note spectators may not throw any flowers, wrapped or unwrapped, on the ice to ensure safety of the skaters.

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

DEADLINE: JULY 5, 2024 11:30 p.m. ET

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **July 5, 2024 11:30 p.m. ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$20 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.

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

If you need assistance, email 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:

DEADLINE: JULY 5, 2024 11:30 P.M. ET

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **July 5, 2024 11:30 p.m. ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$20 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.

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

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

REFUND POLICY

Suggested language, modify as appropriate: 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.

LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA®, and the Skating Club of Wilmington 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.

IV. COMPETITION DETAILS

FACILITIES:

The competition will be held at The Skating Club of Wilmington which is a single-surface facility, 85' by 197' with plastic hockey boards. Located at Carruthers Lane, off East Park Drive near the intersection of I-95 and Route 202 (Concord Pike) at the end of the golf course. First aid facilities are available at the rink. Locker rooms will be open for the competition, unless informed otherwise. Restrooms are at the far end of the rink. Warmup areas are outside or on the far side of the rink past the snack bar. The upstairs lounge will be a restricted area for officials only.

ADDRESS:

1301 Carruthers Lane, Wilmington, DE 19803
(302) 656-5005, www.skatewilm.com

FOOD:

There is full service cafe located off the lobby. It serves breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks. The cafe will be open every day of the competition. All food is also available for carryout. Outside food should not be brought into the rink.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

Locker rooms and changing areas at U.S. Figure Skating competitive events are for athletes only, will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made for athletes under 11 years old that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy in the [SkateSafe® Handbook](#).

US 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 NOTICES:

Any official notices prior to the competition start date will be emailed to competitors. During the competition, official notices will be posted at the registration window. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the registration window frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive one hour prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition

SKATING ORDERS AND RESULTS:

Skating orders and results will be posted online, there will be no posting of paper in the rink during the competition. A QR code link will be emailed to the competitors and coaches prior to the competition and there will be business cards with the QR code available at the registration desk.

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 on EMS after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available. We cannot accommodate special requests for the date or time of your event.

EXHIBITIONS/SINGLE SKATER EVENTS:**ORIGINAL SCHEDULING:**

IJS: If there is only one skater entered in an IJS event, it may be scheduled as an exhibition at the discretion of the chief referee, unless the skater wishes to cancel.

6.0: There will be no planned exhibitions for 6.0 events. If there is only one skater in a 6.0 event (excluding Compete USA), the event will be canceled and the skater will receive a refund.

SUBSEQUENT CHANGES:

IJS: If withdrawals after the posting of the schedule reduce an IJS event to one skater, the remaining skater will be contacted and offered the option of skating an exhibition or receiving a refund of the entry fee for that event.

6.0: If withdrawals after the posting of the schedule reduce a 6.0 event to one skater, the remaining skater will be contacted and offered the option of moving to another event or receiving a refund of the entry fee for that event.

PRACTICE ICE:

EMS (SKATER) PRACTICE ICE RESOURCES:

Practice ice sign-up will be available online one or two days after the schedule is posted. All practice ice will be available for purchase online through the EMS Competition Portal. A timeline for practice ice sales periods will be available for viewing on the [Competition Information](#) of your skater portal. All skaters are encouraged to purchase practice ice through EMS on their mobile devices. Click on the EMS practice ice guidelines below for instructions on how to register for practice ice through EMS.

Practice ice will be available at a cost of \$25 Open Sales purchase and will be announced on the website after the close of entries and the schedule has been determined. All practice ice must be purchased through EMS, there will be no onsite practice ice purchase at the competition, you must purchase through the EMS Competition Portal. No music will be played during practice ice.

AWARDS:

At this time, there will be no awards ceremonies due to Covid-19. Medals will be awarded to First, Second, Third, and Fourth place winners in all 6.0 and IJS events and they can be picked up at the awards table. All Learn-To-Skate participants will receive a medal. Also, the trophies below will be awarded and keepsakes will be awarded for the skater to take home.

SPECIAL TROPHIES:

- o The DOROTHY DODSON TROPHY will be awarded to a singles skater whose performance is deemed particularly outstanding. Skaters from every level will be considered for this award.

EVENT TROPHIES:

- o The President's Trophy for Senior Ladies Free Skating, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas A. Ford
- o The Moyer Trophy for Junior Ladies Free Skating, donated by Mr. & Mrs. George Moyer
- o The Rule Trophy for Novice Ladies Free Skating, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph M. Rule
- o The Michael M. Cohen Memorial Trophy for Novice Men Free Skating
- o The Martin Cohen Trophy for Intermediate Ladies Free Skating
- o The Frank Trainer Trophy for Intermediate Men Free Skating

VOLUNTEER INFO:

Volunteer opportunities- a link to "Sign Up Genius" will allow you to sign up for days/ times and activities available for volunteering. The link will be posted on the club on the club web site at <https://skatewilm.com> on the Skate Wilmington 2023 page.

PHOTO/VIDEO:

Except for the official video photographers, only handheld (no tripod) battery operated cameras will be permitted. FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY IS NOT PERMITTED AT ANY TIME. Vision Photo & Video, LLC will be available throughout the entire competition.

All skaters competing will receive a complementary video.

Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited. Please refer to the Basic Ice Usage and Skater Etiquette Information document found in the Club Resource section of Members Only.

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CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition website: <https://skatewilm.com/>

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chairs:	Sharon Hatcherson and Sheila Chambers	SCWCompetitions@skatewilm.com
Chief Referee:	Diana Wisner	SCWCompetitions@skatewilm.com
Chief Music Chairs:	Fran Lukacik Deborah Martin	flukacik@ccp.edu d.martin6926@gmail.com
Practice Ice Chair:	Sheila Chambers	SCWCompetitions@skatewilm.com

Any questions regarding registration and/or applications can be e-mailed to the competition chairs at SCWCompetitions@skatewilm.com. Music related questions can be emailed to the music chairs, Fran Lukacik (flukacid@ccp.edu) and Deborah Martin (d.martin6926@gmail.com).

OPEN PARTNERED PATTERN DANCE: Below are the open partnered ice dances. If same skater has two different partners, must be considered entered as separate teams.

Open Partnered Pattern Dances offered	6.0 Judging System
Dutch Waltz	2 sequences
Canasta Tango	2 sequences
Rhythm Blues	2 sequences
Cha Cha	2 sequences
Fiesta Tango	2 sequences
Hickory Hoedown	2 sequences
Willow Waltz	2 sequences
Ten-Fox	2 sequences
Fourteenstep	4 sequences
Foxtrot	3 sequences
Rocker Foxtrot	3 sequences
American Waltz	2 sequences
Starlight Waltz	2 sequences
Paso Doble	2 sequences
Quickstep	3 sequences
Westminster Waltz	2 sequences
Rhumba	3 sequences