

SKATE HOUSTON

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Sanctioned by the United States Figure Skating Association

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THE TEXAS GULF COAST FIGURE SKATING CLUB

At

SUGAR LAND ICE & SPORTS CENTER, 16229 LEXINGTON BLVD., SUGAR LAND, TEXAS 77479

RULES AND CONDUCT OF THE COMPETITION

Skate Houston will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA), as set forth in The 2009 Official USFSA Rulebook, unless otherwise stated in this announcement. The ISU system of judging will be used for all Juvenile (including Open Juvenile) through Senior short programs and Well-Balanced Freeskate Track freeskating events, Adult Gold and Adult Masters Freeskate, Juvenile through Senior Pairs Freeskating and Novice through Senior Pairs Short Program. All other events (including all levels of the new Competitive Test Track) will utilize the 6.0 system of judging. Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior skaters competing in events using the ISU system of judging must submit the USFS online PROGRAM CONTENT FORM by February 28, 2009. This form is found at www.usfigureskating.org in the member's only section: <https://www.usfsaonline.org/Events/CompProfile.asp>. The program content form must be submitted online. You should also expect additional time needed by accounting to process and post event results. The competition committee reserves the ability to return to the 6.0 judging system should we be unable to get enough officials (both judges and technical panel) for the IJS events. If this occurs, it will be posted on the club website by January 31, 2009.

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to all qualified eligible skaters who are members in good standing with the United States Figure Skating Association and foreign nationals who are members in good standing with their own National Associations in accordance with Part two rule 3056. Skaters may compete in events according to their age and test level as of February 9th, 2009 or at one level higher unless otherwise stated in this announcement. Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile events will be divided by age into groups. Juvenile through Senior events will be divided by random draw into groups. An initial and final round will be held for Pre-Juvenile through Senior events and Adult events if entries warrant. An effort will be made to balance the number of skaters from any one club in each group. This year there are two options open to participants; the New Competitive Test Track and the Well-Balanced Free Skate Track. Skaters may enter either the New Competitive Test Track OR the Well-Balanced Free Skate Track, BUT NOT BOTH. The New Competitive Test Track events include Basic Skills through Senior Level. Skaters must not be more than 20 years of age as of the registration closing date to participate in the New Competitive Test Track. Skaters in the Competitive Test track must meet the qualifications defined. Please see the Competitive Test Track section under Competition Events for details. The Well-Balanced Free Skate Track will have events from the Pre-Preliminary Level through the Senior Level- skaters in this track may skate up one level. Jumps, Spins, Compulsories, Artistic and Dance Events will be combined track events. Skaters entering the combined track events may skate at their test level or up one level, regardless of which free skating track is entered.

ENTRIES / DEADLINE / REFUNDS

Competition entries must be postmarked by Saturday February 7, 2009. 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 (\$25 for Basic Skills and Special Olympian). 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 February 7, 2009, the entry deadline, unless (1) no competition exists in the event(s) entered, or (2) there is a death in the immediate family. There will be a \$25 processing fee for ALL withdrawals. There will be a \$25 change fee for incorrect event entry information on the competition application. There will be a \$25 service charge for returned checks, and payment by money order or cash will be required for returned checks.

EVENTS / FEES

IJS EVENTS (JUVENILE/OPEN JUVENILE THROUGH SENIOR FREESTYLE, JUVENILE/OPEN JUVENILE THROUGH SENIOR SHORT PROGRAM, ADULT GOLD/MASTERS FREESTYLE) \$95 for 1st event; \$35 for each additional event

6.0 EVENTS (FREESTYLE THROUGH PRE-JUVENILE, ADULT PRE-BRONZE/BRONZE/SILVER FREESTYLE, ARTISTIC PROGRAM, FIELD MOVES, COMPULSORY MOVES, SPINS, SOLO DANCE \$85.00 for 1st event; \$30 for each additional event

IJS PAIRS EVENTS (JUVENILE THROUGH SENIOR FREESKATE, NOVICE THROUGH SENIOR SHORT PROGRAM)

\$47.50 per person for 1st event; \$35 for each additional event

6.0 PAIRS EVENTS (PAIRS FREESTYLE THROUGH PRE-JUVENILE, COUPLES DANCE, FREE DANCE EVENTS, SHADOW DANCE, GENERATION GAP DANCE, DUET ARTISTIC EVENTS \$42.50 per person for 1st event; \$30 for each additional event

TEAM COMPULSORIES \$20 per person per team

BASIC SKILLS: FREE SKATE and COMPULSORY MOVES \$30.00 per event

SPECIAL OLYMPIAN: FREE SKATE, ARTISTIC, AND COMPULSORY MOVES \$30.00 per event

SYNCHRONIZED and THEATRE ON ICE TEAM SKATING \$80.00 per team + \$5 per skater

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club

MAIL FORMS AND FEES TO: Texas Gulf Coast FSC, PO Box 17273, Sugar Land, TX 77496 - 7273

ADDRESS INQUIRIES TO: Competition Chairpersons: Rene' Bloom E-mail: renebloom@ymail.com * 281-451-0168 or Roger Davis E-mail: rogerd@teamassociates.com * 713-826-7640. (Please, no calls after 9:00 p.m.). All calls will be returned collect.

AWARDS

In all events medals will be given to the first, second, third and fourth placements, and ribbons will be given to fifth and sixth placements (each member of a team in team skating events will receive a medal/ribbon). Awards will be presented off-ice at the photographer's table after the results for the event are posted.

FACILITIES

Skate Houston will be held at the dual ice surface, Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center, 16229 Lexington Blvd., Sugar Land, TX 77479. Each ice surface is 200' X 85' with rounded corners. The Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center contains a pro shop, restaurant, and locker rooms for changing skating outfits. The Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center is a free-standing facility and can be chilly. Please be sure to dress accordingly.

REGISTRATION

The Registration Table will be located in the lobby of the Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center and will be open from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2009. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the registration table will open approximately one hour before the first competition event of the day and remain open until the completion of the final event of the day.

MUSIC

Regular sized CD's (**CD-R not CD-RW**) only will be used 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. 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 Music Table following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club cannot accept responsibility for CD's. An individual competition CD must be submitted for each event entered requiring music.

PRACTICE ICE

A limited amount of practice ice will be available before and during the competition beginning Thursday, March 26, 2009. Rates are \$9.00 per 20-minute session for Basic Skills and Special Olympian competitors, \$150 per 30-minute exclusive session for Theatre on Ice Team Skating, and \$12.00 per 30 minute session for all other competitors. To reserve practice ice, please complete the enclosed Practice Ice Reservation Form and return it with payment by February 7, 2009. If available, additional 30 minute practice ice sessions may be purchased on a first-come, first-serve basis at the Practice Ice Table at a rate of \$12.00 for Basic Skills and Special Olympian competitors, \$175 for Synchronized Teams, and \$15.00 for all other competitors. Please see the club website (<http://www.texasgulfcoastfsc.org>) for schedules, updates and announcements.

DVDs / PHOTOGRAPHS

DVD's, awards photographs, and action photographs will be available. A photographer will also be available to take individual photographs by appointment. Orders for DVDs, awards photographs, action photographs, and individual photographs may be placed at the video / photography tables. Hand-held personal video equipment for personal use only 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 or practice sessions. **The competition committee reserves the right to restrict personal video taping to your skater's events only.**

SOUVENIRS / FLOWERS

Advance apparel order forms for Skate Houston 2009 merchandise will be available on the club website. Souvenirs, competition apparel, & flowers will be available for purchase during the competition.

PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS

A form is attached for placing advertisements in the Skate Houston competition. 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 Skate Houston bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby of the Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center. 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 45 minutes prior to their scheduled event time. Information will be posted on <http://www.texasgulfcoastfsc.org>.

LIABILITY

Competitors, Parents, Coaches and Officials should read Part Two rule #3222 of the 2008-2009 official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook carefully. U.S. Figure Skating, the Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club, Officials of the Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club, Competition Officials, and the Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center 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

Information for the host hotel is being finalized and will be posted on the club website (<http://www.texasgulfcoastfsc.org>) at a later date.

COMPETITION EVENTS

Competitors may skate up one (1) level unless otherwise noted. Test requirements are based upon test status as of the entry deadline (February 7, 2009). Age requirements are based upon age as of the entry deadline (February 7, 2009). Program times are \pm 10 seconds unless specified elsewhere in this announcement or in the 2009-2010 Official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. Adult events will follow the guidelines of the 2008-2009 Official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook for the 2008-2009 competitive season in preparation for Adult Nationals.

WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE TRACK				
Event level is based on age and free skating test level as listed below. Skaters may compete at one level higher than their test level regardless of age. Adult program times are maximum times. Introductory Adult is 18 to 20 years old; Adult events are 21 and over.				
EVENT	LEVEL	REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTIONS	AGE	TIME
1	Beginner No Test	No USFSA tests passed. No Axel or double jumps. Part Two, rule 3721	20 and under	1½ min
2	Pre- Prelim A	Pre Preliminary Free Skate test passed. No Axel or double jumps. No flying spins. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3710 & 3711	20 and under	1½ min
3	Pre-Prelim B	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate test passed. Axel permitted. No doubles. Part Two, rule 3711 Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3710 & 3711	20 and under	1½ min
4	Prelim	Preliminary Free Skate test passed. Part Two rule 3701. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3700 & 3701	20 and under	1½ min
5	Pre-Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3691. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3690 & 3691	12 and under	2 min
6	Open Pre-Juvenile	Pre Juvenile Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3691. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3690 & 3691	13 to 20	2 min
7	Juvenile	Juvenile Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3681. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3680 & 3681	12 and under	2 min 15 sec
8	Open Juvenile	Same as Juvenile. Part Two, rule 3681. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3680 & 3681	13 to 20	2 min 15 sec
9	Intermediate	Intermediate Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3670. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3670 & 3672	18 and under	2½ min
10	Novice Ladies	Novice Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3663. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3660 & 3663	No Age Limit	3 min
11	Novice Men	Novice Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3663. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3660 & 3663	No Age Limit	3 ½ min
12	Junior Ladies	Junior Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3653. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3650 & 3653	No Age Limit	3½ min
13	Junior Men	Junior Free Skate test passed. Part Two, rule 3653. Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3650 & 3653	No Age Limit	4 min
14	Senior Ladies	Senior Free Skate test passed. Part Two rule, 3643 Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3640 & 3643	No Age Limit	4 min

15	Senior Men	Senior Free Skate test passed. Part Two rule, 3643 Program requirements are presented in the 2009 Rulebook, 3640 & 3643	No Age Limit	4 ½ min
16	Introductory / Adult Pre-Bronze	Passed no higher than the Adult Pre Bronze Free Skating Test, the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test, or the ISI Freestyle 4 Test. No lutz, axel, or double jumps allowed. Part Two rule, 3806	18 to 20 / 21 and over	1 min 40 sec Max
17	Introductory / Adult Bronze	Passed the Adult Bronze Free Skating Test and no higher than the Adult Bronze Free Skating Test, the standard Preliminary Free Skating Test or the ISI Freestyle 4 Test. No axel and no double jumps allowed. Part Two rule, 3801	18 to 20 / 21 and over	1 min 50 sec Max
18	Introductory / Adult Silver	Passed the Adult Silver Free Skating Test and no higher than the Adult Silver Free Skating Test, the Juvenile Free Skating Test, or the ISI Freestyle 5 Test. No double jumps allowed. Part two rule, 3791	18 to 20 / 21 and over	2 min 10 sec Max
19	Introductory / Adult Gold	Passed the Adult Gold free skate test or the standard juvenile free skating test or ISI freestyle 6 and no higher. Part Two, rule 3781	18 to 20 / 21 and over	2 min 40 sec Max
20	Introductory / Masters Intermediate	Same as Intermediate. Part Two rules, 3775 and 3776	18 to 20 / 21 and over	3 min 10 sec Max
21	Introductory / Masters Novice	Same as Novice. Part Two rules, 3770 and 3771	18 to 20 / 21 and over	3 min 10 sec Max
22	Introductory / Masters Junior	Same as Novice. Part Two rules, 3760 and 3761	18 to 20 / 21 and over	3 min 40 sec Max
23	Introductory / Masters Senior	Same as Junior. Part two rules, 3750 and 3751	18 to 20 / 21 and over	3 min 40 sec Max

NEW COMPETITIVE TEST TRACK

FREE SKATING QUALIFICATIONS AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but NOT both during the same non-qualifying competition. **Limited Beginner and Beginner levels are being offered as part of the Basic Skill competition held in conjunction with Skate Houston- PLEASE SEE THE SKATE HOUSTON BASIC SKILLS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DETAILS.** Competitors will skate to music of their choice. Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

EVENT	LEVEL	REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTIONS	AGE	TIME
24	Pre-Preliminary Test	Two solo spins of a different nature (min 3 revolutions and no flying spins), all single solo jumps allowed (no Axels), jump combinations or sequences using only a waltz jump, toe loop, and Salchow. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test		1:30 +/10
25	Preliminary Test	Two spins of a different nature, combination spins allowed (min 3 revolutions each and no flying spins), jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jumping elements. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test		1:30 +/10
26	Pre-Juvenile Test	Three spins in any position (min 4 revolutions), one must be a combination spin with change of foot optional (min 3 revolutions on each foot or 6 total revolutions and no flying spins). Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum 6 jumping elements. One step sequence straight line, circular, or serpentine fully utilizing ice surface. Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than pre-juvenile free skate test		2:00 +/10
27	Juvenile	Three spins in any position (min 4 revolutions), one must be a		2:15

	Test	combination spin with one change of foot (min 4 revolutions on each foot). May include flying spins. Any single jumps and jump combinations with not more than 1½ rotations. (Axel permitted). Maximum 6 jumping elements. One step sequence straight line, circular, or serpentine fully utilizing ice surface. Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-juvenile free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than juvenile free skate test		+/10
28	Intermediate Test	Three spins in any position (minimum 4 revolutions), one must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot (minimum 4 revolutions on each foot). May include flying spins. Any single jumps. Double jumps may only be the double Salchow and the double toe loop. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum of 6 jumping elements. One step sequence straight-line, circular, or serpentine fully utilizing ice surface. Skaters must have passed at least the USFS Juvenile FS Test but may not have passed tests higher than USFS Intermediate FS		2:30 +/- 10
29	Novice Test	Three spins in any position (minimum of 6 revolutions), one must be a combination spin with at least one change of foot (minimum 5 revolutions on each foot). May include flying spins. Any single jumps. Double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe loop and the double loop. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum of 7 jumping elements. One step or spiral sequence (see Rule 3640 for description). Skaters must have passed at least the USFS Intermediate FS Test but may not have passed tests higher than USFS Novice FS Test		3:00 +/- 10 seconds Ladies 3:30 +/- 10 seconds Men
30	Junior Test	Three spins - one must be a flying spin, a solo spin (minimum 6 revolutions each) and a combination spin consisting of three positions and one change of foot (2 revolutions in each position and minimum 5 revolutions on each foot). Any single jumps and double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe loop, double loop and the double flip. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum of 8 jumping elements for men and 7 for ladies. One step and one spiral sequence for ladies and two different step sequences for men (see Rule 3640 for description). Skaters must have passed at least the USFS Novice FS Test but may not have passed tests higher than USFS Junior Free Skating Test		3:30 +/- 10 seconds Ladies 4:00 +/- 10 seconds Men
31	Senior Test	Four spins (minimum 6 revolutions on solo spins), one must be a flying spin, one solo spin, one spin combination consisting of three positions and one change of foot (2 revolutions in each position and minimum 5 revolutions on each foot). At least four different double jumps, one must be a double Lutz. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum of 8 jumping elements for men and 7 for ladies. One step and one spiral sequence for ladies and two different step sequences for men (see Rule 3640 for description). Skaters must have passed at least the USFS Junior Free Skating Test		4:00 +/- 10 seconds Ladies 4:30 +/- 10 seconds Men

SHORT PROGRAM

THE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE THOSE FOR THE 2009-2010 COMPETITIVE SEASON. Age and test requirements are the same as listed under Free Skate. Short Programs will be skated on full ice surface with music. Jump Combinations may not have a change of foot or turn between jumps. An axel is considered a single jump. Added elements will be penalized.

EVENT	LEVEL	SHORT PROGRAM ELEMENTS	AGE	TIME
32	Juvenile Girl	Same requirements as Intermediate short	12 and under	2 min
33	Juvenile Boy	Same requirements as Intermediate short	12 and under	2 min
34	Open Juvenile Girl	Same requirements as Intermediate short	13 to 20	2 min
35	Open Juvenile Boy	Same requirements as Intermediate short	13 to 20	2 min
36	Intermediate Ladies	Short Program as per Part Two, rule 3671	18 and under	2 min
37	Intermediate Men	Short Program as per part Two, rule 3671	18 and under	2 min
38	Novice Ladies	Short Program as per Part Two, rule 3662	No Age Limit	2 min 30 sec
39	Novice Men	Short Program as per Part Two, rule 3661	No Age Limit	2 min 30 sec

40	Junior Ladies	Short Program as per Part Two, rule 3652 Group B designated elements	No Age Limit	2 min 50 sec
41	Junior Men	Short Program as per Part Two rule, 3651 Group B designated elements	No Age Limit	2 min 50 sec
42	Senior Ladies	Short Program as per part Two, rule 3642	No Age Limit	2 min 50 sec
43	Senior Men	Short program as per Part two, rule 3641	No Age Limit	2 min 50 sec

PAIRS

Pair events will be offered both for the Long Program and the Short Program as listed below. **Test and age requirements as per 2009-2010 official rulebook.** Note that it is permissible for one or both of the partners to have passed the next higher pair test and still remain eligible to compete at the lower test level, provided that neither partner has competed at the higher pair level in qualifying competitions. Further, if the skater chooses to compete at the lower pair level, they must do so with a partner other than the one with whom they passed the higher pair test

EVENT	LEVEL	PROGRAM TEST REQUIREMENTS/RESTRICTIONS	AGE	TIME
44	Pre-Juvenile	Pre-Juvenile Pair test passed. Part Two, rules 4090 and 4091	Under 14 years of age	2 min
45	Juvenile	Juvenile Pairs Test passed. Part Two, rule 4080 and 4081	Under 16 years of age	2 min 30 sec
46	Intermediate	Intermediate Pair test passed. Part Two, rule 4070 and 4071	Under 18 years	3 min
47	Novice	Novice Pair test passed. Part Two, rule 4062		3½ min
48	Junior	Junior Pair test passed. Part Two, rule 4052		4 min
49	Senior	Senior Pair test passed. Part Two, rule 4042		4½ min

PAIRS SHORT PROGRAM

Pair events will be offered both for the Long Program and the Short Program as listed below. **Test and age requirements as per 2009-2010 official rulebook.** Note that it is permissible for one or both of the partners to have passed the next higher pair test and still remain eligible to compete at the lower test level, provided that neither partner has competed at the higher pair level in qualifying competitions. Further, if the skater chooses to compete at the lower pair level, they must do so with a partner other than the one with whom they passed the higher pair test

EVENT	LEVEL	PROGRAM TEST REQUIREMENTS/RESTRICTIONS	TIME
50	Novice	Short Program per Part Two, rule 4061 Group A required elements	2 min 30 sec
51	Junior	Short Program per Part Two, rule 4051 Group A required elements	2 min 50 sec
52	Senior	Short Program per part Two, rule 4041 Group A required elements	2 min 50 sec

ADULT/MASTERS PAIRS

Adult and Masters Pair events consist of Free Skating only. These events will be conducted and judged, and will follow competitive guidelines as outlined in the 2008-2009 Official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. These levels may be combined based upon entries, however competitors will be contacted prior to combining levels.

EVENT	LEVEL	PROGRAM TEST REQUIREMENTS/RESTRICTIONS	AGE	TIME
53	Adult Bronze	Both partners in the adult bronze pair event must have passed at least one of the following tests: the adult bronze pair test and no higher, the adult bronze free skating test and no higher, standard preliminary pair test and no higher, or the standard preliminary free skating test and no higher. From Part Two, rule 4124		2 min 10 sec Max
54	Adult Silver	One partner in the adult Silver pair event must have passed at least one of the following tests: the Adult Silver pair test and no higher, the Adult Silver free skating test and no higher, the standard Juvenile Pair test and no higher, or the standard Pre-Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher. The other partner must meet the requirements for this level or must have passed no less than one level lower (Adult Bronze pair test, Adult Bronze Free Skating Test, standard Preliminary Pair Test, or standard Preliminary Free Skating test). From part Two, rule 4122		2 min 40 sec Max
55	Adult Gold	One partner in the adult Gold pair event must have passed at least one of the following tests: the Adult Gold pair test and no higher, the Adult Gold free skating test and no higher, the standard Juvenile Pair test and no higher, or the standard Juvenile Free		3 min 40 sec Max

		Skating Test and no higher. The other partner must meet the requirements for this level or must have passed no less than one level lower (Adult Silver pair test, Adult Silver Free Skating Test, standard Juvenile Pair Test, or standard Pre-Juvenile Free Skating test). From Part Two, rule 4120		
56	Masters Pair	One partner in the adult masters pair event must have passed at least one of the following tests: the standard intermediate pair test or the standard intermediate free skating test. The other partner must meet the requirements for this level or must have passed no less than one level lower (Adult Gold pair test, Adult Gold Free Skating Test, standard Juvenile Pair Test, or standard Juvenile Free Skating test). From Part Two, rule 4115		3 min 40 sec Max

MOVES IN THE FIELD

Event level is based on Moves in the Field test level only, except for Pre Preliminary for which there is no test requirement. This event will be judged on power, extension, edge quality, and quickness as well as on control and flow. Two moves will be skated as listed below. All events will be skated on full ice surface. Skaters must do the patterns in the order listed. Deductions will be made for toe pushing and touchdowns. Refer to the 2008-2009 Official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook for a detailed description of each pattern and its diagram

EVENT	LEVEL	DESCRIPTION / PATTERNS
57	Pre-Prelim	Forward perimeter stroking; Forward right and left foot spirals PPM #1 PPM #3
58	Prelim	Consecutive forward outside spirals; Alternating forward 3-turns, inside and outside PM #2 PM #4
59	Pre-Juv/Open Pre-Juvenile	Backward perimeter power crossover stroking; 3-Turns in the Field (FO-BI) PJM #2 PJM #3
60	Juvenile/ Open Juvenile	Backward Power 3-Turns; Forward double three turns JM #3 JM #4
61	Intermediate	Backward double 3-turns; Backward Perimeter Power Crossover Stroking with Backward Power 3-Turns IM #4 IM #3
62	Novice	Forward perimeter power crossover stroking to a backward quick rocker turn sequence (clockwise only); Forward and backward inside counters NM #2 NM #3b
63	Junior	Forward and backward inside rockers; Power pulls JRM #3b JRM #4
64	Senior	Sustained edge step; Quick edge step SRM #1 SRM #4
65	Adult Pre-Bronze	Forward Perimeter Stroking; Basic Consecutive Edges PPM #1 PPM #2
66	Adult Bronze	Forward Power 3 Turns; Five Step Mohawk Sequence PM #3 PJM #6
67	Adult Silver	Eight Step Mohawk Sequence (CCW direction); 3-Turns in the Field (FO-BI) JM #1 PJM #3
68	Adult Gold	Backward Power Circle; Backward Double 3-Turns IM #2 IM #4

COMPULSORY MOVES / TEAM COMPULSORY MOVES

Age and test requirements are the same as listed under Free Skate. Compulsory Moves will be skated on ½ ice surface without music. Compulsory Moves must be skated exactly as stated and without stops between moves. Moves may be done in any order, but each listed move must be performed only once. Spins must be held for 4 revolutions in each position except as noted. Jump combinations may not have a change of foot or turn between jumps. Double jumps may not be substituted for single jumps. An axel is considered a single jump. Times listed are maximums. Additional or repeated elements and excessive footwork will be penalized. Required individual jumps cannot be repeated as part of the combination jump. Introductory Adult is 18 to 20 years old; Adult events are 21 and over.

TEAM COMPULSORY MOVES -- Teams should comprise of 3-5 skaters. There are five elements. Each skater will do one required element. If there are not five skaters on a team the skaters may do a maximum of two elements. The elements may be completed in any order but each element shall be allowed only one attempt. Additional elements are not allowed. No music allowed. One skater should perform at a time. Referee will indicate when each team should commence but not the individual skaters. Judging done with one mark for each team. Pre-Juvenile and Below Team Compulsories will be skated on half ice. Juvenile/Intermediate and Novice/Above will be skated on full-ice

EVENT	LEVEL	REQUIRED MOVES / ELEMENTS	TIME
69	Beginner / No-test	Waltz Jump; Salchow; Half flip or half lutz; Upright scratch spin (3 revs); Forward spiral	1 min
70	Pre-Preliminary	Flip jump, Combination jump consisting of any two single jumps (No axel); Split jump; Sit spin (min 3 rev); Forward outside spiral	1 min
71	Preliminary	Single jump of choice (axel permitted); Combination jump consisting of any two single jumps (may not repeat single jump selected before); Camel spin (min 3	1 min 15 sec

		revs); Combination spin (no change of foot); Footwork sequence - straight line or diagonal	
72	Pre-Juv/Open Pre-Juvenile	Combination jump consisting of any two single jumps; Lutz jump; Camel spin; Combination spin; Ina Bauer or forward inside spiral; connecting steps	1½ min
73	Juvenile/ Open Juvenile	Combination jump, (any two singles or a double/single combination; Axel; sit change sit spin; Layback spin (ladies); Camel spin (men); straight line step sequence footwork; choose either Ina Bauer or Spread Eagle or Forward Spiral. (All spins min of 4 revs each foot.)	1½ min
74	Introductory / Adult Pre-Bronze	Waltz Jump; ½ Flip; Forward Spiral (inside or outside); Two-Foot Spin (minimum 3 rev)	1 min
75	Introductory / Adult Bronze	Salchow; Jump Combination: Waltz Jump / Toe Loop; One Foot Spin; Back Spiral (inside or outside)	1 min
76	Introductory / Adult Silver	Flip; Jump Combination consisting of 2 single jumps - 1 of which is a loop; Sit Spin; Combination Spin with 1 change of position (change of foot optional, 3 revolutions in each position)	1 min
77	Introductory / Adult Gold	Axel; Lutz; Camel Spin; Combination Spin with only 1 change of foot and at least 2 change of positions; Circular step sequence	1½ min
78	Introductory / Adult Masters	Combination jump, (any two singles or a double/single combination; Axel; sit change sit spin; Layback spin (ladies); Camel spin (men); straight line step sequence footwork; choose either Ina Bauer or Spread Eagle or Forward Spiral. (All spins min of 4 revs each foot.)	1½ min
79	Prejuvenile and Below Team Compulsories	1. Upright scratch spin (min 3 revolutions) 2. Straight line or diagonal footwork sequence using 1/2 the ice surface 3. Left forward inside spiral 4. Combination spin with at least one change of position and no change of foot. At least 2 revolutions in each position. No flying entries allowed. Minimum 6 revolutions. 5. Single/Single (axel permitted) combination jump	
80	Juvenile and Intermediate Team Compulsories	1. Upright spin (min 5 revolutions) 2. Straight line or diagonal footwork sequence using the entire ice surface 3. Spiral sequence(at least 2 spiral positions and at least one change of foot) 4. Combination spin with at least one change of position and only one change of foot. At least 2 revolutions in each position. Minimum 5 revolutions on each foot. 5. Double/Single or Double/Double combination jump	
81	Novice and Above Team Compulsories	1. Flying spin (min 6 revolutions)- only one position and no change of foot 2. Circular or serpentine footwork sequence using the entire ice surface 3. Spiral sequence(minimum 3 spiral positions and at least one change of foot) 4. Combination spin with at least two changes of position and at least one change of foot. At least 2 revolutions in each position. Minimum 12 revolutions total. 5. Double/Double combination jump	

SPINS

An event to encourage and reward good spins. Age and test requirements are the same as listed under Free Skating. All levels will be skated on ½ ice surface. Spins must be executed exactly as stated without music. Spins may be done in any order, but each spin shall be performed only once. Connecting moves may be incorporated into the program. **Maximum times allowed are: 1 minute for Preliminary through Pre Juvenile and Adult Bronze/Silver/Gold levels and 1½ minutes for Juvenile through Senior and Adult Masters levels.** Introductory Adult is 18 to 20 years old; Adult events are 21 and over.

EVENT	LEVEL	REQUIRED SPINS
82	Beginner / No Test	(1) One foot upright spin, (min 3 revs); (2) Two foot spin, (min 3 revs)
83	Pre-Prelim	(1) Upright scratch spin, (min. 3 revs.); (2) One- foot back spin (min. 3 revs.); (3) Sit spin - in a recognizable sit position (min. 3 revs.)
84	Prelim	(1) Camel spin (min 3 revs); (2) One-foot back spin - entry optional (min. 3 revs.); (3) Sit spin - in recognizable sit position (min. 3 revs.)
85	Pre-Juv/Open Pre-Juvenile	(1) Camel spin (min. 4 revs.); (2) Combination spin: camel to sit (no change of foot and min. 3 revs. in each position); (3) Front scratch to back scratch (exit on spinning foot and min. 4 revs. on each foot)

86	Juvenile/ Open Juvenile	(1) Forward sit spin (min. 4 revs. In position); (2) Ladies: layback or attitude spin (min. 4 revs. In position), Men: forward camel spin (min. 4 revs. in position); (3) Combination spin with one change of foot (min. 4 revs. each foot, change of position optional) - camel, sit, or attitude positions
87	Intermediate	(1) Sit spin to change foot sit spin (min. 4 revs. on each foot in position); (2) Flying Camel (min. 5 revs. in position); (3) Spin combination consisting of only one change of foot and only one change of position (min. 4 revs. on each foot)
88	Novice	(1) Choice of camel, sit, or layback spin (min. 6 revs. In position); (2) Camel spin to backward camel spin (min. 4 revs. On each foot in position); (3) Spin combination consisting of one change of foot and at least one change of position (min. 5 revs. on each foot)
89	Junior	(1) Flying sit spin or flying change (reverse) sit spin (min. 6 revs. In position); (2) Layback or crossfoot spin (min. 6 revs. in position); (3) Spin combination consisting of three positions and one change of foot (min. 5 revs. on each foot)
90	Senior	At least four different spins (solo spins must be a minimum of 6 revs. In position): (a) one must be a flying spin and (b) one must be a spin combination consisting of at least two positions and at least one change of foot (min. 10 total revs)
91	Introductory / Adult Pre-Bronze	(1) One Foot Upright spin (minimum 3 revolutions, optional leg position); (2) Two Foot Spin (entry optional, minimum of 3 revolutions); (3) Forward or backward pivot
92	Introductory / Adult Bronze	(1) One-foot upright spin (min. 4 revs. in position); (2) One-foot back spin (entry optional and min. 3 revs. in position); (3) Sit spin (min. 3 revs. in position)
93	Introductory / Adult Silver	Camel spin (min. 3 revs. In position); (2) Layback, attitude, or sit spin (min. 4 revs. In position); (3) Combination spin with only one change of position (change of foot is optional and min. 3 revs. in each position)
94	Introductory / Adult Gold	One solo spin (min. 4 revs. In position); (2) A second different solo spin (min. 4 revs. in position); (3) Combination spin of only one change of foot and at least one change of position (min. 4 revs. on each foot)
95	Introductory / Adult Masters	(1) Sit spin to change foot sit spin (min. 4 revs. on each foot in position); (2) Flying Camel (min. 5 revs. in position); (3) Spin combination consisting of one change of foot and at least one change of position (min. 4 revs. on each foot)

JUMPS

An event to encourage and reward good jumping ability. Age and test requirements are the same as listed under Free Skating. Intermediate through senior levels and Adult Masters will be skated on full ice. Other levels shall be skated on ½ ice surface. Jumps must be executed without music. Jumps may be done in any order, but each jump shall be allowed one attempt only. Connecting moves may be incorporated into the program. **Maximum times allowed are: 1 minute for Preliminary through Pre Juvenile and Adult Bronze/Silver Gold levels and 1½ minutes for Juvenile through Senior and Adult Masters levels.** Introductory Adult is 18 to 20 years old; Adult events are 21 and over

EVENT	LEVEL	REQUIRED JUMPS
96	Beginner / No Test	Waltz jump; Salchow; One jump combo (salchow/toe loop)
97	Pre-Prelim	Waltz jump; Salchow; One jump combo (salchow/toe loop)
98	Prelim	Loop; flip; Combination of any two single jumps (axel permitted) - no turn or change of foot between jumps
99	Pre-Juv/Open Pre-Juvenile	Axel or double salchow; Flip; One jump combo. consisting of a loop, flip, or lutz as the first jump, followed by a loop jump (no turn or change of foot between jumps)
100	Juvenile/ Open Juvenile	Axel; one jump from the following: Split jump, stag jump, falling leaf, or half loop jump; One jump combo. consisting of two single jumps, or one double and one single jump (no turn or change of foot between jumps)
101	Intermediate	Axel; One double jump to be chosen from the following: double Salchow, double toe loop, or double toe Walley; One jump combo. consisting of one single and one double jump, or two double jumps (no turn or change of foot between jumps)
102	Novice	Double salchow; Double loop; One combo. consisting of two double jumps (no turn or change of foot between jumps)
103	Junior	Double loop; Double flip; One combo. consisting of two double jumps (no turn or change of foot between jumps)
104	Senior	Double lutz; One jump to be chosen from the following: double flip, double loop, double axel, triple toe loop, or triple salchow; One jump combo. consisting of two double jumps, or one double jump and one triple jump (no turn or change of

		foot between jumps)
105	Introductory / Adult Pre-Bronze	Waltz; Waltz/Toe-Loop Combination; Half Flip
106	Introductory / Adult Bronze	Waltz jump; salchow; toe loop
107	Introductory / Adult Silver	Salchow; loop; flip
108	Introductory / Adult Gold	Axel; lutz; one jump combo. consisting of two different single jumps (no turn or change of foot between jumps)
109	Introductory / Adult Masters	Axel; One double jump to be chosen from the following: double Salchow, double toe loop, or double toe Walley; One jump combo. consisting of one single and one double jump, or two double jumps (no turn or change of foot between jumps)

SOLO DANCE

There are no Moves in the Field test requirements or age restrictions. Competitors may choose one or more of the two dances at their test level as well as one level above their test level. Competitors can choose dances from both levels. Each dance is a separate event and will be skated TWO SEQUENCES only

EVENT	LEVEL	TEST REQUIREMENTS	COMPETITION DANCES
110	Beginner	No USFSA dance tests passed	Dutch Waltz
111	Beginner	No USFSA dance tests passed	Canasta Tango
112	Preliminary	No more than 1 Pre Bronze test passed	Canasta Tango
113	Preliminary	No more than 1 Pre Bronze test passed	Rhythm Blues
114	Pre Bronze	No more than 1 Bronze test passed	Cha Cha
115	Pre Bronze	No more than 1 Bronze test passed	Fiesta Tango
116	Bronze	No more than 1 Pre Silver test passed	Hickory Hoedown
117	Bronze	No more than 1 Pre Silver test passed	Willow Waltz
118	Pre Silver	No more than 1 Silver test passed	Fourteenstep
119	Pre Silver	No more than 1 Silver test passed	Foxtrot
120	Silver	No more than 1 Pre Gold test passed	Rocker Foxtrot
121	Silver	No more than 1 Pre Gold test passed	Tango
122	Pre Gold	No more than 1 Gold test passed	Blues
123	Pre Gold	No more than 1 Gold test passed	Kilian
124	Gold	At least 2 Gold tests passed	Quickstep
125	Gold	At least 2 Gold tests passed	Argentine Tango
126	Open	No test requirements	Cha Cha
127	Open	No test requirements	Fiesta Tango
128	Open	No test requirements	Fourteenstep
129	Open	No test requirements	Rocker Foxtrot
130	Adult Bronze	At least one pre-bronze dance, standard, adult or masters; no more than one pre-silver dance (standard, adult or masters)	Fiesta Tango
131	Adult Bronze	At least one pre-bronze dance, standard, adult or masters; no more than one pre-silver dance (standard, adult or masters)	Willow Waltz
132	Adult Silver	At least one pre-silver dance (standard, adult or masters); no more than one pre-gold dance (standard, adult or masters)	Fourteenstep
133	Adult Silver	At least one pre-silver dance (standard, adult or masters); no more than one pre-gold dance (standard, adult or masters)	Tango
134	Adult Gold	At least one pre-gold dance (standard, adult or masters)	Blues
135	Adult Gold	At least one pre-gold dance (standard, adult or masters)	Viennese Waltz

SHADOW DANCE

An event emphasizing both the technique and timing/expression of compulsory dance and the unison of a partner following and shadowing the skater in front. One partner skates as if he/she were the shadow of the other partner. The partners must not touch at any time. Partners can be both male, both female, or one male and one female. There are no test or age requirements. Skaters may enter as many dances as they wish. Each dance is a separate event and will be skater TWO SEQUENCES ONLY

EVENT	LEVEL
136	Rhythm Blues
137	Fiesta Tango
138	Hickory Hoedown

GENERATION GAP DANCE	
Couples must be at least 15 years apart in age. There are no test requirements. Couples may enter as many dances as they wish. Each dance is a separate event. Number of sequences to be danced is per CR 12.76 and is shown in parentheses after each dance.	
EVENT	LEVEL
139	Canasta Tango (3)
140	Hickory Hoedown (3)
141	Willow Waltz (3)

COUPLES DANCE			
Dances are selected as per 2009-2010 official rulebook, except for Adult Dances which are for the 2008-2009 official rulebook. There are no Moves in the Field requirements or age restrictions except both partners must be less than 29 years old. Two dances will be skated as listed below. Test requirements apply to both partners. Couples can skate at either their test level or one level higher. Number of sequences to be danced is per #4271 and is shown in parentheses after each dance. Final Round dances for Juvenile through Senior Levels, if entries warrant, will be per Part two, rules #4302, #4402, #4412, #4422, #4432 and #4442.			
EVENT	LEVEL	TEST REQUIREMENTS	COMPETITION DANCES
142	Pre-Juvenile	Passed no more than 1 Pre Bronze Dance	Rhythm Blues (3) & Cha Cha (3)
143	Juvenile	Passed Prelim Dance Test	Swing Dance (2) & Fourteenstep (4)
144	Intermediate	Passed Bronze Dance Test	Foxtrot (4) & American Waltz (2)
145	Novice	Passed 1 Silver & no more than 2 Pre-Gold Dances	Starlight Waltz (2) & Kilian (6)
146	Junior	Passed 2 or more Pre-Gold Dances	Westminster Waltz (2) & Argentine Tango (2)
147	Senior	Passed Gold Dance and Gold Free Dance Tests	Golden Waltz (2) & Tango Romantica (2)
148	Adult Pre-Bronze	Test and Age Requirements per 4505	Canasta tango (3), Swing dance (2)
149	Adult Bronze	Test and Age Requirements per 4500	Swing Dance (2), Fiesta Tango (3)
150	Adult Pre-Silver	Test and Age Requirements per 4495	Ten Fox (3), European Waltz (2)
151	Adult Silver	Test and Age Requirements per 4491	European Waltz (2), Tango (2)
152	Adult Pre-Gold	Test and Age Requirements per 4480	Tango (2), Blues (3)
153	Adult Gold	Test and Age Requirements per 4470	Viennese Waltz (3), Silver Samba (2)

FREE DANCE and ORIGINAL DANCE			
Free Dance and Original Dance requirements as per 2009-2010 official rulebook. The Free and Original Dance events will be offered as listed below. Test requirements apply to both partners. Couples can skate at either their test level or one level higher. The Free Dances will be held in accordance with Part two, rule #4270. The Original Dances will be held in accordance with Part two, rule #4260			
EVENT	LEVEL	TEST REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTIONS	TIME
154	Juvenile FD	Passed Juvenile Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4433 and 4435	2 min 15 sec
155	Intermediate FD	Passed Intermediate Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4423 and 4425	2 min 30 sec
156	Novice FD	Passed Novice Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4413 and 4415	3 min
157	Junior FD	Passed Junior Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4405 and 4407	3 min
158	Senior FD	Passed Senior Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4320 & 4322	4 min
159	Junior OD	Passed Junior Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4403 part B	2½ min
160	Senior OD	Passed Senior Free Dance Test; Requirements per 4311 part B	2½ min
161	Adult Gold	The free dance to be skated in accordance with the provisions of 4462	3:10 max
162	Adult Pre-Gold	The free dance to be skated in accordance with the provisions of 4462	3:10 max

SOLO ARTISTIC

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. For more information about qualifications, contact Melissa Bowman, National Vice Chair for National Showcase at patinage_tx@verizon.net. Vocal music may be used. Costumes may be of any type as long as they fit the music and are not a safety hazard. Props, if used, must be hand held at all times. Nothing may be placed on the ice (e.g. shirts, etc.). While skating is a major element of the program, the performance will be judged on entertainment value rather than technical skill. Judging will be based on originality, creativity, musical interpretation and movement that characterize the correct mood of the program. Depending upon availability, a minority of the judging panel may be from the Arts (Dance, Music, Acting, etc.). No props allowed during warm-up. Introductory Adult is 18 to 20 years old; Adult events are 21 and over.

SOLO ARTISTIC: Age and test requirements for non-adults are the same as listed under Free Skating. Events will be divided by age where appropriate. Adult Artistic competitors must be 21 years or older and meet minimum test requirements of the Adult Pre Bronze Free Skating test or the Adult Bronze Dance Test. Masters Artistic competitors must be 21 years or older and meet minimum test requirements of the Adult Silver Free Skating test or the Adult Silver Dance test

EVENT	LEVEL	TIME
163	Beginner / No Test	90 seconds
164	Pre-Prelim A	90 Sec
165	Pre-Prelim B	90 Sec
166	Prelim	1 min 40 sec MAX
167	Pre-Juv/Open Pre-Juvenile	1 min 40 sec MAX
168	Juvenile/ Open Juvenile	2 min 10 sec MAX
169	Intermediate	2 min 10 sec MAX
170	Novice	2 min 10 sec MAX
171	Junior	2 min 40 sec MAX
172	Senior	2 min 40 sec MAX
173	Introductory / Adult	1 min 40 sec MAX
174	Introductory / Masters	1 min 40 sec MAX

DUET ARTISTIC

DUET ARTISTIC: No age or test requirements. Duets may be comprised of male/female, female/female, or male/male. Create a program with another skater; perform like you are in an ice show. You want to really entertain your audience! This is not a Pair event - pair lifts are not allowed.

EVENT	LEVEL	TIME
175	Beginner / No Test	90 seconds
176	Pre-Prelim A	90 Sec
177	Pre-Prelim B	90 Sec
178	Prelim	1 min 40 sec MAX
179	Pre-Juv/Open Pre-Juvenile	1 min 40 sec MAX
180	Juvenile/ Open Juvenile	2 min 10 sec MAX
181	Intermediate	2 min 10 sec MAX
182	Novice	2 min 10 sec MAX
183	Junior	2 min 40 sec MAX
184	Senior	2 min 40 sec MAX
185	Introductory / Adult	1 min 40 sec MAX
186	Introductory / Masters	1 min 40 sec MAX

THEATRE ON ICE TEAM SKATING

Definition - A Theatre on Ice (TOI) performance is a creation using all aspects of figure skating, incorporating a theme, emotion or story, enhanced by music. It is a Package that includes five dimensions: theme, music/sound, choreography/skating movements, performance (the rapport between the skaters and/or sub-groups of skaters), and costuming, props and/or scenery. The quality of edge, speed, ease and fullness of movements should enhance the performance. It should also incorporate movement of groups and a variety of skating elements. The performance will be evaluated on its relationship between music, theme and overall skating.

Teams - The teams will be composed of a minimum of eight (8) skaters and a maximum of thirty (30) skaters. Introductory level teams are limited to a maximum of twenty (20) skaters on a team.

Requirements - TOI categories have been defined according to the level of tests team members have reached. In order to ease each team's preparation, the definition of which category a team belongs to should not be dependent on the tests taken by skaters during the season. For categories which are defined by a maximum test level, the category a team belongs to will be defined by September 1st test level of the skaters on the roster 30 days prior to the close of entries of the competition. For categories, which are defined by a minimum test level, the category must be reached by 30 days prior to the close of entries of the ITOI competition.

All members of a US TOI team must be members of the USFSA, either through an existing Member Club or as an Individual Member of the Association. In addition, each team must be registered as a TOI team (see USFSA Rulebook MR 12.00).

Performance -The performance should express a theme, emotion or story. The music, costumes, scenery, as well as the choreography should be used to enhance the theme. Jumps and other figure skating elements should contribute to the choreography and support it. They must have meaning within the theme. There is no limit to the number of jumps that may be done. Jumps, however, must have a meaning in relation to the theme and should not be gratuitous. Solos or pairs also must have meaning within the theme. They can not be a dominant part of the performance. Soloing should not exceed 30 seconds of the performance. The choreography should emphasize and support gliding. Stationary positions should be limited and excessive use will be reflected in the marking accordingly. Skaters are permitted to leave the visible portion of the ice, such as behind the flats or a piece of scenery. All participants must wear their skates on the ice.

Costuming -Costumes must be decent. Hair and ornaments must be secure. Costuming and makeup should enhance the feeling created by the performance. No bobby-pins, feathers, or anything else that may fall to the ice and be hazardous to the skaters are allowed.

Scenery - Scenery may be used in the Free Skate only. Scenery may not be more than 7 feet 6 inches (2.3 meters) in height once in place on the ice. All scenery must be placed on the ice and taken off the ice by the skaters and teams may not use the assistance of support staff (e.g., parents, coaches, others who are not skating in the number) to place the scenery on the ice or move it into position. Throwing of objects on the ice (including hats, canes, etc.), smoke, fire, liquids, released balloons or live animals are not permitted.

Timing for Scenery Set-up and Scenery Breakdown - Scenery set-up and warm-up must be completed within 2 minutes of the team being announced (timing begins from the moment the team is announced). The referee will signal a warning at 1 minute 30 seconds into this 2 minute period. The team should be in its starting position by the end of the 2 minute period. Once the 2 minute mark has passed, if the team is not in position and ready to start, the referee will start the clock for the team's program time without further warning to the team. Likewise, at the end of the program the team has a maximum of 2 minutes to take their bows and remove all scenery/items from the ice surface. If the teams have not removed all scenery to the satisfaction of the referee within the 2 minute allotment, a deduction of 0.1 from each mark will be taken.

Warm-up - No specific warm-up time is permitted. However, the teams may use all or part of the two-minute set-up time after their name is announced for warm-up.

Lighting - Standard rink lighting will be used for all events. No spotlights or special lighting will be used.

THEATRE ON ICE FREE PROGRAM			
EVENT	LEVEL	DESCRIPTION	Duration
187	Juvenile	100% of the team must have passed Pre-preliminary Moves in the Field test. No more than 50% may have passed Preliminary MIF or higher. All skaters must be 13 years of age or younger as of the preceding July 1st of the membership year.	4 min +/- 30 sec
188	Novice	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF (or pre-bronze adult MIF) and not more than 50% o the team may have passed the juvenile moves in the field test. No age restrictions	5 min +/- 15 sec
189	Junior	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team must have passed the juvenile MIF. Not more than 50% of the team may have passed the Intermediate MIF test. No age restrictions.	6 min +/- 15 sec

190	Senior	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-Bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team members must have passed the intermediate MIF test. No age restrictions.	6 min +/- 15 sec
191	Adult	100% of the team must have reached the age of 18 years as of the September 1 st preceding the competition. In addition, 100% of the team must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating test (other than a Basic Skills badge). This may include an adult or standard MIF, individual dance test (passing the entire dance category not required), freestyle, or pairs.	6 min +/- 15 sec

THEATRE ON ICE CHOREOGRAPHIC EXERCISE			
2010 Elements for Choreographic Exercise			
Theme: Surprise			
Process: Counterpoint			
Gesture: Swinging			
EVENT	LEVEL	DESCRIPTION	Duration
192	Introductory	100% of the team must have mastered the elements of Basic 4 in the USFS Basic Skills programs (forward crossovers, backward skating, stopping forward and backward). No more than 50% of the team may have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test. No skaters may have passed any tests higher than the pre-preliminary moves in the field test. No skaters may cross over to skate on another team at a different level. A team coach will be required to sign a waiver stating his/her skaters have mastered the required elements on each competition application. There is an age limit of 18 years and all skaters must be full USFS members. Teams consist of a minimum of 8 skaters and a maximum of 20 skaters. Introductory limited to competing in the CE and will use the same three (3) elements as the other divisions for the year in question.	2 min +/- 10 seconds
193	Juvenile	100% of the team must have passed Pre-preliminary Moves in the Field test. No more than 50% may have passed Preliminary MIF or higher. All skaters must be 13 years of age or younger as of the preceding July 1st of the membership year.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
194	Novice	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF (or pre-bronze adult MIF) and not more than 50% of the team may have passed the juvenile moves in the field test. No age restrictions.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
195	Junior	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team must have passed the juvenile MIF. No age restrictions.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
196	Senior	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-Bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team members must have passed the intermediate MIF test. No age restrictions	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
197	Adult	100% of the team must have reached the age of 18 years as of the September 1 st preceding the competition. In addition, 100% of the team must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating test (other than a Basic Skills badge). This may include an adult or standard MIF, individual dance test (passing the entire dance category not required), freestyle, or pairs.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec

For timing violations at any level (Senior, Junior or Novice, Juvenile, Introductory) the standard USFSA timing deductions as outlined in Part two, rule 3515 will be applied.

TEXAS GULF COAST 'SKATE HOUSTON 2009' PRACTICE ICE REQUEST FORM

SKATER'S NAME OR SYNCHRONIZED/TOI TEAM CONTACT: _____
 E-Mail Address: _____ (used to send skaters practice times)
 ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE (_____) _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
 PAIR PARTNER: _____ DANCE PARTNER: _____
 COACH(ES): _____ COACH(ES) EMAIL: _____

Please see the club website for practice ice schedules (<http://www.texasgulfcoastfsc.org>).
 List all events (e.g. Free Skate, Couples Dance) and event number (as listed in announcement) you have entered.

EVENT	EVENT NUMBER

Reminder: Skaters must provide a second CD for use during practice ice sessions.

Practice ice for the Texas Gulf Coast 'Skate Houston' competition will begin on Thursday, March 26, 2009 (unless number of entries necessitates that practice ice begin on Wednesday, March 25, 2009). Practice ice for Basic Skills and the Special Olympian Competition will be held on Sunday, March 29, 2009. Professionals are allowed on the ice during all Basic Skills and Special Olympian practice ice sessions. Rates are \$9.00 per 20-minute session for Basic Skills and Special Olympian competitors, \$150 per 30-minute exclusive session for Theatre on Ice Team Skating, and \$12.00 per 30 minute session for all other competitors.

Please choose your practice ice carefully. Practice ice fees are non-refundable after February 7, 2009 and non-transferable. Additional ice, if available, will be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis at the time of registration at a rate of \$150 for Theatre on Ice Teams, and \$15.00 for all other competitors.

Please reserve the following type and number of sessions:

SESSION TYPE	NUMBER REQUESTED	AMOUNT
FREE SKATE X \$ 12.00 =		
DANCE X \$ 12.00 =		
PAIRS, FD or OD X \$ 12.00 =		
SYNCHRO/TOI TEAM X \$ 150.00 =		
BASIC SKILLS X \$ 9.00 =		
SPECIAL OLYMPIAN X \$ 10.00 =		
TOTAL		

Free Skate Sessions will be used for Spins, Compulsory Moves, Field Moves, Short Programs, and Free Skate Programs.

Complete this form and make check or money order payable to: Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club (or TGCFCSC).
 Mail form and payment to: TGCFCSC, P.O. Box 17273, Sugar Land, TX 77496-7273. Metered mail is not accepted as proof of postmark. Postmark deadline is February 7, 2009.

The tentative competition schedule and practice ice schedule will be available approximately one to two weeks before the competition. This information will be posted on the club website (<http://www.texasgulfcoastfsc.org>).

Practice Ice - Official Use Only

Date Received: _____ Check #: _____ Name on Check: _____
 Amount Paid: _____ Balance Due: _____ Email Address: _____

Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club Skate Houston 2009 Non-Qualifying Events Entry Form

PLEASE PRINT

COMPETITOR'S NAME _____ HOME CLUB _____ USFSA # _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
 COMPETITOR'S PHONE # (_____) _____ BIRTHDATE _____ AGE _____ SEX _____
 EMAIL _____
 HIGHEST TEST PASSED: Free Skate _____ Field Moves _____ Dance _____ Pairs _____ Basic Skills _____
 ISI _____ Special Olympian _____
 Coach's Name _____ Coach's Email _____
 Coach's Phone # (_____) _____ Coaches address: _____

Enter event numbers, names, and fees below. **ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELLED (see below).** Event fees are as follows:
6.0 scoring system events: \$85 for the first event (\$42.50/person if it is a dance or pairs event), and \$30 for each subsequent event
IJS scoring system events: \$95 for the first event, (\$47.50/person if it a dance or pairs event), and \$35 additional events (all Juvenile/Open Juvenile through Senior Freeskate and Short Program up events)

Event Number	Event Name*	Partner/Team Name (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) : _____

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELLED OR THERE IS A DEATH IN THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY. There will be a \$25 processing fee for ALL withdrawals. There will be a \$25 change fee for incorrect event entry information on the competition application. There will be a \$25 service charge for returned checks, and payment by money order or cash will be required for returned checks.

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, Texas Gulf Coast figure Skating Club TGCFSC and its officers, and the Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Instructor/ Coach Signature _____ Date _____

Program Director/Club Officer _____ Date _____

COMPETITOR SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

Enter Total Competition Entry Fees on Competition Transmittal Form
 Mail this Form and Competition Payment Form by February 7, 2009 to avoid Late Charges

TEXAS GULF COAST 'SKATE HOUSTON' COMPETITION FEES TRANSMITTAL FORM
PLEASE INCLUDE THIS FORM ALONG WITH OTHER FORMS AND PAYMENT

COMPETITORS NAME: _____ US Figure Skating # _____

COMPETITION FEES:

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

Synchronized / TOI Team Fees... (enter amount and include form from page 19).....\$ _____

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

TOTAL FEES..... \$ _____

If you would like to receive event (please write legibly) schedule, practice ice schedule, and updates via e-mail, enter e-mail address here (please write legibly and clear): _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

Personal Check.....Make checks payable to: Texas Gulf Coast FSC

Money Order.....Make payable to: Texas Gulf Coast FSC

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

Texas Gulf Coast FSC
Attn: Skate Houston
P.O. Box 17273
Sugar Land, TX 77496-7273

** Must be postmarked by February 7, 2009 to avoid Late Charges. **

TEXAS GULF COAST 'SKATE HOUSTON 2009' THEATRE ON ICE TEAM SKATING ENTRY FORM

Team Name: _____ Team Coach / Manager Address and Telephone: _____

Team Manager: _____ Street: _____

Coach: _____ City: _____

Home Club: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Rink: _____ Day Phone: (____) _____ Evening Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Please indicate Theatre on Ice division below.

DIVISION	# SKATERS	REQUIREMENTS - FREE PROGRAM	TIME
Juvenile	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed Pre-preliminary Moves in the Field test. No more than 50% may have passed Preliminary MIF or higher. All skaters must be 13 years of age or younger as of the preceding July 1st of the membership year.	4 min +/- 30 sec
Novice	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF (or pre-bronze adult MIF) and not more than 50% of the team may have passed the juvenile moves in the field test. No age restrictions	5 min +/- 15 sec
Junior	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team must have passed the juvenile MIF. Not more than 50% of the team may have passed the Intermediate MIF test. No age restrictions.	6 min +/- 15 sec
Senior	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team members must have passed the intermediate MIF test. No age restrictions.	6 min +/- 15 sec
Adult	8 to 30	100% of the team must have reached the age of 18 years as of the September 1 st preceding the competition. In addition, 100% of the team must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating test (other than a Basic Skills badge).	6 min +/- 15 sec
DIVISION	# SKATERS	REQUIREMENTS - CHOREOGRAPHIC EXERCISE	TIME
Intro-ductory	8 to 20	100% of the team must have mastered the elements of Basic 4 in the USFS Basic Skills programs. No more than 50% of the team may have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test. No skaters may have passed any tests higher than the pre-preliminary moves in the field test. No skaters may cross over to skate on another team at a different level. There is an age limit of 18 years and all skaters must be full USFS members.	2 min +/- 10 seconds
Juvenile	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed Pre-preliminary Moves in the Field test. No more than 50% may have passed Preliminary MIF or higher. All skaters must be 13 years of age or younger as of the preceding July 1st of the membership year.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
Novice	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF (or pre-bronze adult MIF) and not more than 50% of the team may have passed the juvenile moves in the field test. No age restrictions.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
Junior	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team must have passed the juvenile MIF. No age restrictions.	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
Senior	8 to 30	100% of the team must have passed the pre-preliminary MIF test (or pre-bronze adult MIF test) and 50% or more of the team members must have passed the intermediate MIF test. No age restrictions	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec
Adult	8 to 30	100% of the team must have reached the age of 18 years as of the September 1 st preceding the competition. In addition, 100% of the team must have passed at least one U.S. Figure Skating test (other than a Basic Skills badge).	2 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec

Team Members' Names and USFSA #	Team Members' Names and USFSA #
1)	13)
2)	14)
3)	15)
4)	16)
5)	17)
6)	18)
7)	19)
8)	20)
9)	21)
10)	22)
11)	23)
12)	24)

Team Coach/Manager: The undersigned approves this entry and per USFSA rules agrees to hold harmless the USFSA, the Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club, Competition Officials, and the Sugar Land Ice & Sports Center from any and all loss, damage and/or injury that may be sustained in any manner while participating in any activities of this competition.

Signature (must be over 18): _____ Date: _____

CLUB CERTIFICATION (If team represents a club): The above named team has permission to represent our club in the Theatre on Ice event.

Club Officer's Signature _____

Title: _____

Home Club : _____

Theatre On Ice Team Skating Entry fee is \$80 per team plus \$5 per skater.

Total Theatre On Ice Team Skating Fees \$ _____ (enter total on form page 29)

TEXAS GULF COAST SKATE HOUSTON 2009

**COMPETITION PROGRAM ADVERTISING FORM
Business Ads, Special Ads, and Pre-Designed Personal Ads**

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

TYPE	MAXIMUM SIZE (Width x Height in Inches)	RATE	CHECK AD(S) DESIRED
<u>Business / Special Ads</u>			
Full Page	(8.5 x 11.00)	\$100.00	_____
Half Page	(8.5 x 5.50)	\$75.00	_____
Quarter Page	(4.25 x 5.5)	\$50.00	_____
Business Card	(2.75 x 2.00)	\$25.00	_____
Inside Front Cover	(8.5 x 11.00)	\$150.00	_____
Inside Back Cover	(8.5 x 11.00)	\$150.00	_____
Outside Back Cover (6 colors)	(8.5 x 11.00)	\$200.00	_____

Pre-Designed Ads (Ad will be business card size – enter desired comments below)

List Text _____ \$15.00 _____

TOTAL ADVERTISING COST..... \$

Business and Special advertising rates are based upon camera-ready copy (black on white) and the exact size and shape of the ad. Ads that must be reduced or enlarged must include an additional \$15.00 fee. All photographs must be black and white glossies; no negatives will be accepted. ***THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ADS IS FEBRUARY 28, 2009.***

Enter Total Advertising Fees on Competition Entry Form and submit this order form with your entry.