

October 19th, 2024

Entry Deadline: September 23rd, 2024

The Rinks Lakewood ICE

3975 Pixie Ave, Lakewood CA 90712

Lakewoodice.therinks.com

Hosted by The Rinks Lakewood ICE and Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating

Entries will be accepted through www.entryeeze.com

For more information, please contact the Competition Director,

Braden Overett boverett@therinks.com





COMPETE USA

COMPETITION ANNOUCEMENT

GENERAL INFORMATION

ENTRIES AND FEES: Closing date of entries is September 23rd, 2024 11:59pm PST. All entries must be registered through EntryEeze.com. Paper entries will not be accepted. Late entries will be accepted only if the limit has not been reached, at the discretion of the organizers and will be subject to a \$25 late fee. Entry fees are per person. NO refunds after closing date unless event is canceled by The Rinks Lakewood ICE.

REGISTRATION: The registration desk will be in the lobby of The Rinks Lakewood ICE and will be open during the competition beginning 1 hour prior to the first event through the end of the last event. Regardless of coach's preference, it is the skater's sole responsibility to check in with the registration desk a minimum of one (1) hour prior to your event. Failure to check in with the registration desk within the required time frame may result in the skater's withdrawal.

JUDGING: Judging will be done using the 6.0 system for all events except...

- Excel Free Skate (Pre-Preliminary Preliminary Plus) **Judged using IJS**
- Pre-Preliminary Preliminary Free Skate **Judged using IJS**

All competitors skating in these [IJS] events need to submit the Planned Program Content (PPC) form online in EntryEeze. The Planned Program Content deadline is Sunday, October 6th, 2024 at 11:59pm PST. Late PPC submissions will incur an additional \$25 fee.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: Competition will start at 1:00pm PST. Events will be held on both Rink A and Rink B. The schedule of events and which ice surface will be determined by the competition's chief referee. A complete schedule of events and groupings will be posted on Entryeeze.com approximately 14 days prior to the start of competition.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice will be available on DaySmart once the final schedule is posted. Link: Freestyle - Figure Skating - Lakewood ICE (therinks.com)

MUSIC: The music for all free skating programs and showcase must be uploaded through EntryEeze no later than October 6^{th} , at 11:59pm PST! Late submissions will incur a \$25 fee.

- 1. File Format: MP3 (the online system will automatically check this)
- 2. Bit Rate: 192 kbps or higher (this will be checked by the music chairperson and they may request you upload a corrected file)
- 3. Sample Rate: 44,100 kHz (this will be checked by the music chairperson and they may request you upload a corrected file)
- 4. Leaders and trailers (the silence or "dead space" before and after the actual start and end of the program music) may not exceed two (2) seconds. We prefer that there be NO leaders or trailers at all. Excessive leaders and trailers may disrupt the playing of the music during competition.



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AWARDS: Medals will be awarded to 1st -4th places. Ribbons will be given to any placements beyond 4th. All awards will be given immediately following the posting of results.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO: Spectators are reminded that flash photography is dangerous and will be strictly prohibited. A professional photographer will be available in the awards area. Skaters who have placed in their event are encouraged to have a group photo taken, purchase of photo is optional. Individual photos will be taken upon request regardless of placement. Please do not take or publish photos or videos of any skater who is not directly under your care.

SPECTATORS: Spectators welcome! There is bleacher style seating in the facility and admission is FREE! Family and friends are encouraged to come support their skaters during their competition. It is courteous to stay for the full group of competitors in your event and make lots of encouraging noise—cheers, hollers and clapping bring lots of energy to the skaters.

<u>VENDORS:</u> Several vendors have been invited to participate. We encourage everyone to visit all the booths and find something of interest! Professional awards photography, as well as professional videography will be available for purchase on site.

Questions regarding the SPOOKTACULAR competition should be directed to: Braden Overett, Competition Director boverett@therinks.com



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RULES FOR COMPETE USA COMPETITIONS

3100 Rules for Compete USA Competitions

3110 Compete USA Competitions – Approvals

3111 Compete USA competitions may include events for skaters who have passed no higher than the preliminary free skate, pre-bronze pattern dance or adult bronze free skate tests without applying for a

U.S. Figure Skating sanction. However, an approval number is required and may be obtained from the appointed Learn to Skate USA representatives.

3120 Compete USA Competitions - Officials

3121 For Compete USA competitions, three judges not related to the competitors are required for each event. Judges may be any official U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada judge or any other qualified eligible or ineligible person in skating who is a U.S. Figure Skating member and/or a Learn to Skate USA member.

3122 For Compete USA competitions, the member club or other organization sponsoring and conducting the competition shall approve all judges and officials. All persons serving as judges and officials shall be at least 16 years of age.

3130 Compete USA Competitions – Announcements

3131 For all Compete USA competitions, a copy of the announcement and an approval request shall be sent to the appointed Learn to Skate USA representative for approval and issuance of a Compete USA approval number 30 days prior to the release of

the competition announcement to the public. The approval is to be publicly displayed during the competition.

3132 Compete USA competitions will follow the event structure as outlined in the Compete USA Manual.

Any registered Learn to Skate USA program may conduct a Compete USA competition.

3133 When Compete USA competitions are held on the home ice of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, the member club shall be designated as the sponsoring club.

3134 Compete USA competitions may be:

- A. "In house" the competition is available only to those skaters who are members of the club or pro- gram conducting the competition, or
- B. "Open" the competition is available to any registered Learn to Skate USA member or full U.S. Figure Skating member.

3055 Entries

At nonqualifying competitions, if only one eligible competitor/team enters an event, the competitor/ team will be offered the option to skate an exhibition, compete in an equivalent event one level above or one level below (as qualified by test level) or, for

pre-juvenile and lower singles events, compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender.

- A. If said competitor chooses to skate an exhibition, judges will award their marks according to the rules and the applicable judging system used, and the competitor/team will receive first place.
- B. If said competitor chooses to compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender, the skater will be entered accordingly.
- C. If said competitor/team chooses not to skate, the entry fee will be refunded, and the event will be canceled

3064 - Skating Accommodations Memorandum (S.A.M.)

A singles skater with a documented physical disability, as defined by the American's with Disabilities Act (ADA), may request exception from certain technical rules or element requirements or expectations on the basis that such rule or requirement penalizes them in the assessment.





ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors. It is an ethical violation for coaches to sandbag an event.

Choosing a competitive level that is right for your skater: It is the responsibility of the instructor, coach, or skating director to place the skater at the correct competitive level. This decision should be based upon skill proficiency, athlete development, and fairness. Placing skaters at a level that challenges them appropriately while fostering their ongoing development is key to nurturing their growth.

ELIGIBILITY AND TEST REQUIREMENTS:

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current members of either Learn to Skate USA and/ or those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating (including Aspire). Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be a current registered member of Learn to Skate USA or a full member of U.S. Figure Skating. There will be no more than six competitors maximum in an event, and all six should receive an award.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic 1-6 skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher, and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including skating skills or individual dances.

Special Olympics events are for skaters with intellectual disabilities. Skate United events are for skaters with physical disabilities. Skate United

skaters have the option to compete in the standard track or Skate United track; accommodations may be made upon request. Adaptive events are for skaters with any type of disability. *For Synchronized Skating eligibility and requirements refer to the Synchronized Skating page. *

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR COACHES/ INSTRUCTOR

When hosting a Compete USA competition, it is important that you verify the compliance of each coach/instructor who plans to coach onsite at the event.

For credentials at a Compete USA event, coaches/instructors are required to have:

 Learn to Skate USA instructor compliant

OR

U.S. Figure Skating coach compliant

If a coach/instructor attempts to work at your event without the proper credentials, he or she is in violation of U.S. Figure Skating ethics and code of conduct rules and, as such, is subject to disciplinary action.

All officials and adult volunteers assisting Compete USA events must also be SafeSport Trained™



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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

EVENTS OFFERED:

Click on the event for program requirements

Full list of program requirements for all events can be found at learntoskateusa.com/CompeteUSA

COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1ST EVENT PRICE	2ND EVENT PRICE
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w / Music	6.0	\$89	\$35
Aspire Program w / Music	6.0	\$89	\$35
Excel Free Skate (Pre-Preliminary - Preliminary Plus)	IJS	\$115	\$35
Pre-Preliminary - Preliminary Free Skate	IJS	\$115	\$35
Adult 1-6 Program w / Music	6.0	\$89	\$35
Adult Free Skate (Beg Bronze)	6.0	\$89	\$35
Snowplow Sam - Basic 6 Elements (no music) (Format 2)	6.0	\$39	\$35
Aspire 1-4 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$39	\$35
Excel Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$39	\$35
Adult 1-6, Beginner - Bronze Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$39	\$35
Compete USA - Spin Challenge	6.0	\$59	\$35
Compete USA - Jump Challenge	6.0	\$59	\$35
Compete USA - Theater On Ice	6.0	\$89	\$35
Compete USA - Showcase	6.0	\$89	\$35
Compete USA - Interpretive	6.0	\$89	\$35
Compete USA - Solo Dance	6.0	\$89	\$35
Aspire Synchro (Aspire 1-4)	6.0	\$60 + \$6/skater	\$60 + \$6/skater
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