



**1st Annual Independence
Spring Classic
Basic Skills Competition**

Sunday, March 6th, 2011

Entry Deadline: Feb 1st, 2011

19100 E. Valley View Pkwy
Independence, MO 64055

Approved by



COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Independence Spring Classic
Independence Skating Academy
19100 E. Valley View Pkwy, Independence, MO 64055
March 6th, 2011

The first annual Independence Spring Classic Basic Skills Competition sponsored by the Independence Skating Academy will be held at the Centerpoint Community Ice Rink, 19100 E. Valley View Pkwy, Independence, MO 64055 on Sunday, March 6th, 2011.

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Basic Skills Program and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Basic Skills Program/Club or any other Basic Skills Program/Club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All SNOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS SKATERS THROUGH BASIC 8 must skate at highest level passed or one higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or Individual Dances. Skaters in other events may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

ENTRIES AND FEES -All entries must be postmarked no later than February 1st. Late entries will be accepted only if the limit has not been reached, at the discretion of the organizers. Entry fees are per person, U.S. dollars. The first event is \$40 and each additional event is \$20. NO refunds after closing date unless event is canceled by the Independence Skating Academy. **ENTRY FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY** and returned with fee check made payable to "IEC" (Independence Events Center). There will be a fee for returned checks.

AWARDS – Everyone will receive an award. All events will be final rounds.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board no later than February 27th, 2011. Information regarding groups and skating times will be emailed out prior to the beginning of competition.

PRACTICE ICE – 20 min practice ice sessions will be available Prior to the competition on Sunday, March 6th. Sign up in advance-- \$5.00 per session. No music will be played on practice ice sessions.

MUSIC - The music for all free skating programs and showcase must be provided on CDs by the skater. CDs should be clearly marked with the name of the skater, event entered and length of music. Competition music is to be turned in at the time of registration. Time duration is always +/- 10 seconds.

VIDEO TAPING AND PHOTOGRAPHS – Any arrangements will be emailed out to competitors prior to the competition.

BASIC ELEMENTS EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

Format: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee or have the option to perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps). Referee driven format examples: all skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on **OR** each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater.

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- No music
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed**
- Time: 1:00 or less

<p><u>Snowplow Sam:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3 in a row 3. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 5:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counterclockwise 2. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive - both directions 3. Basic one foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum three revolutions 4. Side toe hop -either direction 5. Hockey stop
<p><u>Basic 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 6-8 in a row 3. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 6:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three-turn - R & L 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward spiral on a straight line - R or L 4. Lunge - R or L 5. T-stop - R or L
<p><u>Basic 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide - either foot 2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – 2-3 each foot 3. Two foot turn in place- forward to backward 4. Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row 5. Moving snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 7:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R 2. Ballet Jump - either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
<p><u>Basic 3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive 3. Backward one foot glide - either foot 4. Forward slalom 5. Two foot spin – minimum three revolutions 	<p><u>Basic 8:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns R & L 2. Waltz jump 3. Mazurka - either direction 4. 1 Combination move - clockwise <u>or</u> counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin – free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position -minimum three revolutions
<p><u>Basic 4</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward outside three-turn - R & L 2. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise 3. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions 4. Backward stroking - 4-6 strokes 5. Backward snowplow stop - R or L 	

BASIC PROGRAM EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise specified. Vocal music is allowed.

- To be skated on full ice
- Time: 1:00 +/- 10 seconds
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level

<p><u>Snowplow Sam:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3-in a row 3. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 5:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive in both directions 2. Basic one-foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum three revolutions 3. Side toe hop -either direction 4. Hockey stop
<p><u>Basic 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 6 -8 in a row 3. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 6:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three-turn - R & L 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward arabesque spiral on a straight line R or L 4. Lunge - R or L 5. T-stop - R or L
<p><u>Basic 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide - either foot 2. Two foot turn in place- forward to backward 3. Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row 4. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – 2-3 each foot 5. Moving snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 7:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R 2. Ballet Jump- either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
<p><u>Basic 3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive 3. Backward one foot glide – either foot 4. Forward slalom 5. Two foot spin – minimum three revolutions 	<p><u>Basic 8:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns R & L 2. Waltz jump 3. Mazurka in either direction 4. 1 Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise - two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin - free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position -minimum three revolutions
<p><u>Basic 4</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions 2. Standstill forward outside three- turn - R & L 3. Backward stroking - 4-6 strokes 4. Backward snowplow stop - R or L 	

FREE SKATE 1-6 COMPULSORY EVENT

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional

- To be skated on ½ ice
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:15 or less

<p><u>Free skate 1 Compulsory</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advanced forward stroking - 4-6 consecutive 2. Basic forward outside edges and forward inside consecutive edges - 2-4 outside and 2-4 inside 3. One-foot upright scratch spin from backward crossovers-minimum three revolutions 4. Waltz jump from backward crossovers 5. Half flip jump 	<p><u>Free skate 4 Compulsory</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets-R or L 2. Sit spin- minimum three revolutions 3. Loop jump 4. Waltz jump/loop jump
<p><u>Free skate 2 Compulsory</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward outside or inside spiral - R or L 2. Waltz Three's - R or L, 2-3 sets 3. Beginning back spin - entry optional 4. Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump series 5. Toe loop jump 	<p><u>Free skate 5 Compulsory</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Camel spin- minimum three revolutions 2. Forward upright spin to back upright spin- minimum three revolutions, each foot 3. Loop/loop jump 4. Flip jump
<p><u>Free skate 3 Compulsory</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward crossovers in a figure 8 2. Advanced forward outside swing rolls 4 - 6 consecutive 3. Back spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Salchow jump 5. Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop 	<p><u>Free skate 6 Compulsory</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Five step Mohawk sequence - 1 set alternating pattern (refer to Basic Skills Curriculum Free skate 6) 2. Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total 3. Split jump or stag jump 4. Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow combination 5. Lutz jump

FREE SKATE 1-6 PROGRAM EVENT

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- Vocal music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:30+/-10sec

Free skate 1 1. Advanced forward stroking 4-6 strokes 2. One-foot upright scratch spin from back crossovers- minimum three revolutions 3. Waltz jump from back crossovers 4. Half flip jump	Free skate 4 1. Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive R or L 2. Sit spin-minimum three revolutions 3. Loop jump 4. Waltz jump/loop jump
Free skate 2 1. Forward outside spiral R or L 2. Beginning back spin 3. Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump 4. Toe loop	Free skate 5 1. Camel spin-minimum three revolutions 2. Forward upright spin to back upright spin- minimum three revolutions each foot 3. Loop/loop combination jump 4. Flip jump
Free skate 3 1. Forward crossovers in a figure 8 2. Back spin-minimum three revolutions 3. Salchow 4. Waltz jump/Toe loop or Salchow/toe loop	Free skate 6 1. Camel/sit spin combination-minimum four revolutions total 2. Split or stag jump 3. Waltz jump/1/2 loop /Salchow combination 4. Lutz jump

Compulsory Event

Test Track and Well Balanced Levels

Format: In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice; no music allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Limited Beginner Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waltz jump 2. ½ jump of choice 3. Forward two foot or one foot spin, minimum three revolutions (free leg position optional) 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	Time: 1:15
Beginner Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Toe loop jump 2. Salchow jump 3. Forward scratch spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	Time:1:15
No Test Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loop jump 2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel) 3. Solo spin- sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves such as Ina Bauers, spread eagles, lunges and shoot the ducks may be included. 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests, no official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests passed	Time:1:15
Pre-Preliminary Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flip jump 2. Jump combination waltz jump/toe loop jump OR Salchow/toe loop jump 3. Solo spin- sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves such as Ina Bauers, spread eagles, lunges and shoot the ducks may be included. 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test	Time :1:15
Preliminary Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lutz jump 2. Single jump combination (may not use Lutz jump or Axel) 3. Camel spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves such as Ina Bauers, spread eagles, lunges and shoot the ducks may be included. 	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	Time :1:15

Test Track Program Event

Skaters may enter EITHER test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but **NOT** both during the same nonqualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music allowed.

Deductions **WILL** be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from EACH mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra or lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

LEVEL	Jumps	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
Limited Beginner Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front). Jump sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements.	Two upright spins, no change of foot (Min 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
Beginner Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements.	Two upright spins, change of foot optional (Min 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
Pre-Preliminary Test Time: 1:30 +/- 10 *****	Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and <u>loop</u> jump only. Jump combinations and sequences with the above jumps are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements.	Two spins held in one position only of a different nature, no change of foot (Min 3 revolutions and no flying spins)	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
Preliminary Test Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements.	Two spins of a different nature, combination spins allowed (Min 3 revolutions each and no flying spins)	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

Well-balanced Program Requirements (U.S. Figure Skating rulebook requirements)

LEVEL	Jumps	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
No Test Time 1:00-1:30 +/-10	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 5</p> Single Jumps (no Axel) Max 3 combos or sequences Combos limited to 2 jumps, but one 3 jump is permitted Number of jumps in sequence is not limited	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 2</p> Spins must be a different nature Minimum three revolutions each Spins may change feet and start with a fly	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 1</p> Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	May <u>not</u> have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.
Pre-preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 5</p> Single Jumps (Axel permitted, no doubles) Max 3 combos or sequences Combos limited to 2 jumps, but one 3 jump is permitted Number of jumps in sequence is not limited Axel may be repeated as individual jump, combo, or sequence. Max 2 Axels.	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 2</p> Spins must be a different nature Minimum three revolutions each Spins may change feet and start with a fly	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 1</p> Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-preliminary free skate test.
Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 5</p> 1 Axel or Waltz jump type jump Max 3 combos or sequences Combos limited to 2 jumps, but one 3 jump is permitted Number of jumps in sequence is not limited Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (double Salchow, toe or loop only) Axel and no more than 2 different double jumps may be repeated as individual jumps, combos, or in sequences. Max of 2 Axels or any double jump	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 2</p> Spins must be a different nature Minimum three revolutions each Spins may change feet and start with a fly	<p style="text-align: right;">Max 1</p> Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test.

ADULT EVENTS: Adult 1-4, Pre-Bronze and Bronze:

The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated.

Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- Vocal music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:30+/-10sec unless otherwise noted

<p>Adult 1</p> <p>A. Backward swizzles</p> <p>B. Forward one-foot glides, one time skater's height: R & L</p> <p>C. Two-foot turns</p> <p>D. Snowplow stops: R or L</p> <p>E. Forward curves on two feet</p>	<p>Adult 2</p> <p>A. Forward stroking</p> <p>B. Forward crossovers, clockwise and counter clockwise</p> <p>C. Backward one-foot glide: R or L</p> <p>D. Forward pivot</p> <p>E. Forward Chasses on a circle</p>
<p>Adult 3</p> <p>A. Backward crossovers, clockwise and counter clockwise</p> <p>B. Inside Mohawk, either direction</p> <p>C. Backward snowplow stops: R and L</p> <p>D. Forward progressives</p> <p>E. Beginning two-foot spin</p>	<p>Adult 4</p> <p>A. Forward three turns, outside or inside: R & L</p> <p>B. Alternate backward crossovers with two-foot transition</p> <p>C. Footwork sequence: 3-5 forward crossovers to an inside Mohawk; 3-5 backward crossovers; step forward inside the circle</p> <p>D. Power three turns: one direction only</p> <p>E. Backward Chasses on a circle</p>
<p>Adult Pre-Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult pre-bronze free skate test or pre-pre free skate test. Time: 1:40 max Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #3806 for specific requirements</p>	<p>Adult Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult bronze free skate test or the preliminary free skate test. Time: 1:50 max Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #3801 for specific requirements</p>

ARTISTIC/SHOWCASE EVENTS:

Artistic/Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic, Free Skate, Limited Beginner through Preliminary and Adult Bronze. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event or highest test level of skater's in the group ensemble or production number. If a free skate event is not being entered, skaters must enter at their current test level or one level higher. Vocal music is permitted. Skaters will be judged on musical interpretation and feeling, expression, and how the skating relates to the music. Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props may be used if they can be set up and removed from the ice within 30 seconds. 6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Basic 1-8	Elements only from Basic 1-8 curriculum	May not have passed any higher than Basic 8 level.	Time 1:00
Free skate 1-6/ Limited Beginner/ Beginner/ Adult 1-4	3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop.	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.	Time: 1:30
No Test/ Pre- preliminary/ Adult Pre- Bronze	3 jump maximum. No axels or double jumps permitted.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary or Adult pre-Bronze free skate test.	Time: 1:30
Preliminary/ Adult Bronze	3 jump maximum. Axels are permitted, but no double jumps allowed.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze test.	Time: 1:40

Similar Pairs Event

Similar pairs events are open to any two skaters. No restriction on level, age, and gender. Events are offered to skating in Basic Skills levels and Beyond Basics Levels (Freeskate and up). Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Vocal music is permitted. Skaters will be judged on their unison and musical interpretation. Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props may be used if they can be set up and removed from the ice within 30 seconds. 6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

Basic Skills (includes Snowplow Sam and Basic 1-8) 1 min time +/- 10 sec

Beyond Basic Levels (Freeskate 1-6 through Prelimin) 1.5 min time +/- 10 sec

Spins

No music on half-ice. Spins should be skated exactly as stated and in any order. Skaters will perform one spin at a time (no excessive connecting steps). Skaters will be given one opportunity to perform each spin. Groups will be divided according to Basic/Free Skate test level. Spins should be a minimum of three revolutions each.

Beginner

Forward One Foot Spin, Forward Scratch Spin, Backward Scratch Spin

Pre-Preliminary

Forward Scratch Spin, Backward Scratch Spin, Forward Sit Spin

Preliminary

Forward Scratch Spin, Forward Sit Spin, Forward Camel Spin

Jumps

Event will have no music and will be on half ice. This is not a "mini-program". Only the stroking and edges necessary to prepare for the jumps are allowed. Extra moves and excessive connecting steps will be penalized. An axel is a single jump. Combination jumps may not have a change of foot or turn between the jumps. Jumps should be performed exactly as stated and only performed once.

Limited Beginner

Waltz Jump, ½ Flip, Waltz Jump – Toe Loop Combination

High Beginner

Salchow, Loop, Flip – Toe Loop Combination

Pre-Preliminary

Loop, Flip, Single – Single Combination (no axel)

Preliminary

Flip, Lutz, Single – Loop Combination (axels permitted)

INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM

Competition Format

The Organizing Committee will pre-select and edit musical choices appropriate for these events. During warm-up skaters will hear selection of music twice. Following the warm-up all skaters except for the first skater will be escorted to a soundproof locker room or another area of the arena. The first skater will hear the music one more time and then perform a program to the music. As each skater performs the next skater in line will be allowed to hear the music for the third time before they perform to the music. The listening skater will not be allowed to view the performing skater.

Levels:

Levels should be broken by ability with ages divided appropriately.

Judging Rules:

Skaters are judged on originality, pattern, technical (the ability to include jumps and spins) and music interpretation/expression.

Spins and jumps performed must be appropriate to competition level.

Time:

Music Duration Free Skate 1-6 - No Test: 1:15

Pre-preliminary- Preliminary: 1:30

Coaching: There is to be no instruction allowed during this event from coaches, parents, or fellow skaters. Staging area must be kept clear except for ice monitor and listening competitor.



BEGINNER SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

The beginner competition program is also part of the U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills program. The beginner competition program is for Basic Skills level skaters who are interested in a first competition or “team” experience, taking the Synchro 1-4 badges a step further. Beginner teams compete at Basic Skills competitions and nonqualifying synchronized skating competitions around the country.

Levels

- Beginner 1: 8 – 16 skaters, the majority of the team under 9 years old
- Beginner 2: 8 – 16 skaters, the majority of the team 9 – 11 years old
- Beginner 3: 8 – 16 skaters, the majority of the team at least 12 years old

Required elements – Each level has specific required elements that must be completed:

LEVEL	CIRCLE	LINE	BLOCK	WHEEL	INTERSECTION
BEGINNER 1 Majority under 9; 1 ½ - 2 minutes	Must contain a two foot turn. Must contain a forward inside and/or forward outside edge glide.	Must cover the ice and must have only forward skating.	Must cover the ice, and must have only 1 configuration.	4-spoke or “S” wheel with backward pumps.	Two lines facing each other, 2-foot glide at point of intersection.
BEGINNER 2 Majority 9 – 11; 1 ½ - 2 minutes	Must include the combination move from Basic 8. (1 direction only, don’t need to repeat)	Must cover the ice and may include forward and backward skating.	Must cover the ice and must have 1 or 2 configurations.	Wheel of choice with backward pumps.	Two lines facing each other, 1-foot glide at point of intersection.
BEGINNER 3 Majority 12+; 2 – 2 ½ minutes	Must include the combination move from Basic 8. (1 direction only, don’t need to repeat)	Must cover the ice and must include forward and backward skating.	Must cover the ice and must have 2 or 3 configurations.	Wheel of choice with backward pumps, chasses, or crossovers.	Two lines facing each other, 1-foot glide or forward lunge at point of intersection.

Beginner Restrictions

All of the synchronized skating “illegal elements” found in Rule 4669 of the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook apply to Beginner 1, 2 and 3. *(These are the basic rules, such as no jumps, no highlighting, no lying on the ice, etc.)*

Restrictions in Beginner 1 & 2:

- Additional elements are not allowed (the team must do only their required elements).
- Teams may only use hand-to-hand and shoulder-to-shoulder holds.
- Wheels and circles may not travel or change rotational direction.
- Beginner 1 teams may not do steps higher than Basic 5
- Beginner 2 teams may not do steps higher than Free Skate 1

Restrictions in Beginner 3:

- Wheels and circles may not travel or change rotational direction.

The emphasis of the Beginner competition is on mastering the “basic skills” of synchronized skating:

- Control of rotation in wheels and circles.
- Straight lines in lines, blocks and intersections.
- Unison and use of skills such as guiding and shadowing.
- Incorporating skills from the Basic 1-8 levels to strengthen skating skills.
- Learning how to do transitions and skate to music.
- Learning skills that will be the foundation for higher levels.

BASIC SKILLS COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Name _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Last First

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Area Code/Phone # _____ Birth Date _____

U.S. Figure Skating number _____ Highest Level Passed _____

Program/Club Affiliation _____

Director's/Instructor's Name _____

Please check the event(s) you are entering:

<u>Basic Elements</u>	<u>Basic Program</u>	<u>Free Skate Compulsories</u>	<u>Free Skate Program</u>
_____ Snowplow Sam	_____ Snowplow Sam	_____ Free Skate 1	_____ Free Skate 1
_____ Basic 1	_____ Basic 1	_____ Free Skate 2	_____ Free Skate 2
_____ Basic 2	_____ Basic 2	_____ Free Skate 3	_____ Free Skate 3
_____ Basic 3	_____ Basic 3	_____ Free Skate 4	_____ Free Skate 4
_____ Basic 4	_____ Basic 4	_____ Free Skate 5	_____ Free Skate 5
_____ Basic 5	_____ Basic 5	_____ Free Skate 6	_____ Free Skate 6
_____ Basic 6	_____ Basic 6		
_____ Basic 7	_____ Basic 7		
_____ Basic 8	_____ Basic 8		

Adult Events

_____ Adult 1 _____ Adult 4
 _____ Adult 2 _____ Adult Pre-Bronze
 _____ Adult 3 _____ Adult Bronze

Well Balanced Compulsories

_____ Limited Beginner
 _____ Beginner
 _____ No Test
 _____ Pre-preliminary
 _____ Preliminary

Test Track Free Skate Program

_____ Limited Beginner
 _____ Beginner
 _____ Pre-preliminary test
 _____ Preliminary Test

Well Balanced Free Skate Program

_____ No Test Free skate
 _____ Pre-preliminary Free skate
 _____ Preliminary Free skate

Jumps Event

_____ Beginner
 _____ Pre-preliminary
 _____ Preliminary

Spins Event

_____ Beginner
 _____ Pre-preliminary
 _____ Preliminary

Artistic

_____ Basic Skills
 _____ Ltd Beg/ Beginner
 _____ Pre-Pre / Prelim

Interpretive

_____ Basic Skills
 _____ Ltd Beg/ Beginner
 _____ Pre-Pre / Prelim

Similar Pairs

_____ Basic Skills
 _____ Beyond the Basics

ENTRY FEES

First Event		\$ _____ 40 _____
Additional Events	\$20 each	\$ _____
Similar Pairs Event	\$15 per skater	\$ _____
Practice Ice	\$5	\$ _____
Total:		\$ _____

The completed entry form, with fees, must be postmarked no later than February 1st, 2011.

Make check or money order payable to “**IEC**” and mail to Michelle Lauerman, 19100 E. Valley View Pkwy, Independence, MO 64055.

For additional information email mlauerman@independenceeventscenter.com or call 816-442-6126.

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

Certification of Competitor:

The Competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family holds the Centerpoint Community Ice Rink / Independence Events Center harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

Parent/Guardian Signature_____

Date_____

Competitor Signature_____

Date_____

Instructor/Coach Signature_____

Date_____

Program Director_____

Date_____

BEGINNER SYNCHRONIZED SKATING / ENTRY FORM p. 1

1st Annual Independence Spring Classic
Sunday, March 6th, 2011

ENTRY FORM 1: Team Information

Team name:		U.S. Figure Skating #:	
Club: (if applicable)			
Team contact person:			
Daytime phone number:		E-mail:	
Address:		City	State / ZIP
Primary coach:		U.S. Figure Skating #	
Daytime phone number:		E-mail:	
Number of skaters:		Number of alternates:	

Please check the level and/or event (s) entered:

- BS Beginner 1
 BS Beginner 2
 BS Beginner 3

Entry Fee: Enclosed is

\$ ____ for ____ beginner events \$ 50 per team / beginner event

\$ ____ for ____ competitors \$ 5 per skater / beginner event

Checks should be made payable to:

Please send all forms and fees to:

Michelle Lauerman
19100 E. Valley View Pkwy
Independence, MO 64055

All fees and entry forms must be received by: February 1st, 2011

Beginner teams may choose to represent either a full member club or a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills school / program.

ENTRY FORM 3: Liability Waiver / Certification by Club Officer

Team Name:	Level:
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U.S. Figure Skating and the clubs or organizers of competitions 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 and all claims which they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Skating, the club hosting the competition, and against its officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Skater's name in alphabetical order	Skater signature or parent / guardian (if skater is under 18)
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
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8.	
9.	
10.	
11.	
12.	
13.	
14.	
15.	
16.	
Alt. 1	
Alt. 2	
Alt. 3	
Alt. 4	

Club officer or skating school director: *All of the skaters listed on the team entry form are to the best of my knowledge, eligible members in good standing and eligible to compete under U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada rules.*

Print Name:	Signature
Title:	
Club or Basic Skills program name:	