

2024 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships Competition Announcement



The 2024 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be held in Columbus, Ohio, January 22-28, 2024. The Championships are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted in accordance with the [2023-24 U.S. Figure Skating rulebook](#) or amended by U.S. Figure Skating's Board of Directors. All events will be judged using the international judging system (IJS).

U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP VENUES

Nationwide Arena – Competition

200 W Nationwide Blvd, Columbus, OH 43215

Nationwide Arena, home of the Columbus Blue Jackets, will host all novice-, junior- and senior-level competitions, and the Prevagen Skating Spectacular. The arena is an 18,500-seat downtown venue and has an 85' x 200' (NHL) sized ice surface.



OhioHealth Ice Haus at Nationwide Arena – Practice

200 W Nationwide Blvd, Columbus, OH 43215

The OhioHealth Ice Haus at Nationwide Arena is the practice home of the Columbus Blue Jackets and has an 85' x 200' (NHL) sized ice surface. The two arenas are connected and those with event-level accreditation will be able to walk between the two rinks without going outside.



U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS ATHLETE CHECKLIST

1. Novice/Junior/Senior EMS Registration Confirmation — Deadline: Nov. 23, 2023
 - All athletes advancing from the Sectional, U.S. Ice Dance and/or U.S. Pairs Finals must confirm their registration via EMS (Competition Registration – Qualifying – “Confirm Registration”). If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org. Note: athletes with byes can skip this step.
2. Book Hotel — Deadline: earlier of Dec. 15, 2023, or when all rooms in the room block are booked.
 - See details below, “Participant Housing”
3. Accreditation Forms — Deadline: Jan. 4, 2024
 - [Accompanying Guest/Minor Form](#)
 - [Coach Form](#)
4. [Event Program & Headshot Form](#) Deadline: Dec. 9, 2023
5. Music Upload & Planned Program Content (PPC) via EMS – Deadline: Jan. 4, 2024

ALTERNATES

See [U.S. Figure Skating Rules 2520-2524](#) for alternate information.

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ALL WITHDRAWS

All withdraws must be submitted in writing by the athlete(s) to events@usfigureskating.org and include event discipline/level, athlete name(s). All withdraws are final and no refunds will be permitted regardless of circumstance.

PARTICIPANT HOUSING (Athletes & Coaches Only)

U.S. Figure Skating has obtained a group rate for participating athletes and coaches of the 2024 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships at the Hilton Columbus Downtown, which will serve as the official hotel for the Championships. The Hilton is the only property that will be serviced by the event shuttle. The number of rooms available at the group rate is limited and available on a first-come basis, you are encouraged to book as soon as possible for best availability.

Hilton Downtown Columbus – contact events@usfigureskating.org for booking link
402 N High Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Participant Rates:

- Single and Double Rooms \$214 + taxes per night/per room for up to 2 occupants
 - \$10 + taxes for each additional occupant over 2 per night/per room/per guest

Booking Procedures:

- A maximum of two rooms may be booked by a participant until Dec. 1, 2023 or the hotel has reached capacity.
- After Dec. 1, 2023, if there are still rooms available, participants may book additional rooms. The booking link will close on Dec. 15, 2023, or when the room block is sold out.
- Contact events@usfigureskating.org for booking link

U.S. Figure Skating reserves the right to cancel reservations booked in official block that are NOT connected to a participating athlete or coach or NOT in compliance with the above booking procedures.

LOCAL GROUND TRANSPORTATION

The John Glenn Columbus International Airport (CMH) is approximately 10 minutes to downtown Columbus.

Airport → Hotel(s): all athletes and coaches are responsible for arranging their own ground transportation from the airport to the hotel on arrival and departure. More information on ground transportation in Columbus can be [found here](#).

Event Shuttle: an event shuttle will support transportation from the Hilton Columbus Downtown to Nationwide Arena and OhioHealth Ice Haus. The shuttle system schedule will be released and posted once finalized on the event website. The shuttle will begin operation on Monday, Jan. 22 to support the first day of official practice and end on Sunday, Jan. 28 following the exhibition. The shuttle system is not available for any special requests including any ice time purchased by athletes outside of the official ice listed on the event schedule. The Hilton Columbus Downtown is the only hotel the shuttle will service.

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ACCOMPANYING GUEST CREDENTIALS & EVENT TICKETS

Each athlete will receive one complimentary accompanying guest credential for an immediate family member that will provide access to all competition, and practices in both arenas. In order to receive an accompanying guest credential, the mandatory form must be completed [HERE](#).

Athletes may purchase one additional accompanying guest credential for an immediate family member (\$150) and up to two accompanying minor credentials (\$100).

A block of open seating (on a first-come basis) has been reserved in the main arena for all credentialed persons interested in watching the competition throughout the week in the upper bowl. If interested in guaranteed or lower bowl seats for any session, all are encouraged to purchase event tickets [here](#).

There are NO chaperone credentials at the 2024 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships and event-level access is restricted to athletes, coaches, and officials.

COACH CREDENTIAL POLICY

- Singles — max. of two coaches accredited (one complimentary and one at additional cost)
- Pairs/Dance Teams — max. of three coaches can be designated (two complimentary and one at additional cost)

To be eligible for a coach credential, the coach must be a member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating, Professional Skaters Association as well as having successfully completed CER requirements and the coach registration process at time of credentialing. These designated coaches will each receive an event credential. Credentials provide access to the event shuttle, public areas of the arenas, and depending on each credential's assigned level of access, access to restricted areas of the venues. In addition to submitting the [Coach Credential Application](#), all skaters are required to update their coach information via EMS.

SECURITY

The 2024 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be supported by a comprehensive security plan. Credential color and specific assigned graphic icons will determine level of access to restricted areas at both official arenas. U.S. Figure Skating will solely determine the appropriate color, access icons and expiration date for the credential of every competitor, coach, chaperone and official.

Competitor and coach credentials expire the day following the athlete's last competition event (free skate or free dance) for event level access.

Accredited individuals are required to wear their credential at all times while riding the event shuttle or in the arena(s). **Competitors are exempt from this policy only when they are on the ice.** Individuals without credentials will be refused access to the shuttle buses, restricted areas of the official hotels and both the public and restricted areas of the arenas.

Individuals found in any restricted area without the appropriate credential will be immediately removed from the premises, and risk losing their credential and all its privileges for the duration of the Championships. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS** to this and all U.S. Figure Skating security policies.

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ANTI-DOPING

The United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) will conduct in-competition drug testing for Championship (senior-) level events only. Drug testing will be conducted at Nationwide Arena following the free skate for each senior competition. Testing will be performed on the champion at the senior level only (subject to change), as well as one random entry per discipline at the senior level (subject to change).

Following the completion of each senior event, and before leaving the arena, each competitor in that event must check at the USADA testing room for the list of skaters selected for testing. Any competitor who is in a registered testing pool for USADA or the International Skating Union (ISU) may be tested at ANY time during the competition, including immediately following a practice session.

All testing will adhere to the protocols and guidelines established by USADA and the ISU. Detection of any prohibited substances will lead to penalties or sanctions as determined by the ISU. Questions regarding prohibited substances, drug testing or the safety of any medication, drug or dietary supplement should be directed to the USADA at www.usada.org or (800) 233-0393.

ON-ICE AWARDS

U.S. Figure Skating Championship trophies will be awarded to the winners of each event. U.S. Figure Skating medals will be awarded to competitors placing first through fourth in each event. Exact times will be indicated on the color schedule and within EMS.

DRAWS

Each of the draws for the 2023 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be conducted in accordance with rules 2720-2737 in the [2023/24 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

EXHIBITION

The exhibition will be held on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024. The following athletes will be invited to perform:

- Senior level — champions, silver & bronze medalists, in addition to special invites
 - Special invites will be confirmed upon conclusion of each event.
- Junior level – champion(s) in each discipline.

All competitors should come prepared with exhibition music and costumes. Exhibition practice ice is included on the event schedule and is mandatory. Medalists and their coaches will receive a day pass credential for 2024 Prevagen U.S. Figure Skating Championships Sunday admission to the arena (if applicable) and all other additional information at the awards ceremony for their event. **Music must be emailed to events@usfigureskating.org prior to the exhibition practice.**

PRACTICE ICE

Official practice ice (OPI) groups will be available in early December. Day of pre-event warmups (WU) will be assigned based on start orders established onsite.

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Unofficial practice ice is not offered through U.S. Figure Skating. Freestyle sessions can be booked at the chiller rinks [HERE](#). Click on Freestyle General and then you get a drop down where you can select to see the full schedule or select by location. **Sessions open one week in advance.**

Private ice can be booked through Jeremy Rogers, assistant general manager, OhioHealth Chiller Ice Rinks by email jrogers@thechiller.com

Refer to the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook (specifically rules 2701 F & 2712 A) for additional practice ice parameters.

- F. Unofficial practice ice: this is not scheduled by the chief referee, nor is it the responsibility of U.S. Figure Skating. A skater who would like additional practice sessions beyond official practice ice may contact local rinks for times and prices. A skater/team may skate on unofficial practice ice at any rink, at any time, EXCEPT between the time when the skater's/team's event segment has begun — as signified by the first warm-up group taking the ice — and the time when the last skater/team in the event completes their program.

COLOR SCHEDULE

The color schedule will be available in early December. Personal schedules will be available via EMS for athletes and coaches once the color schedule is released. Please note, all schedule information is tentative and subject to change. The tentative schedule can be found below.

2024 PREVAGEN U.S. FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE (subject to change)

Monday, Jan. 22, 2024

Official Practice Ice — novice pairs, junior pairs, novice ice dance, junior ice dance, junior men

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2024

Official Practice Ice — junior women, senior ice dance, junior women, senior women, senior pairs

Competition — novice pairs SP, junior pairs SP, junior men SP, Novice Ice Dance PD, Junior Ice Dance RD

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2024

Official Practice Ice — Senior Ice Dance, Senior Women, Senior Pairs

Competition — junior women SP, junior men FS, novice pairs FS, junior pairs FS, novice ice dance FD, junior ice Dance FD

Thursday, Jan. 25, 2024

Official Practice Ice — senior men

Competition — junior women FS, senior pairs SP, senior ice dance RD, senior women SP

Friday, Jan. 26, 2024

Official Practice Ice — senior ice dance, senior pairs

Competition — senior men SP & senior women FS

Saturday, Jan. 27, 2024

Official Practice Ice — senior men

Competition — senior ice dance FD, senior pairs FS

Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024

Competition — senior men FS

Exhibition

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2024 NATIONAL HIGH PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT CAMP

The information packet for High Performance camp can be found [here](#). Camp will be hosted at the Chiller Rink North January 29-30, 2024. Athletes are invited to come over the weekend for guided observation of the senior events.

CONTACTS

U.S. Figure Skating Events Department
Email: events@usfigureskating.org

U.S. Figure Skating Product Support (EMS)
Email: productsupport@usfigureskating.org

ATHLETE/COACH RESOURCE LIST

[Event Website & Purchase Tickets](#)

[U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#)

[School Absence Letter Request](#)

Event Management System (EMS)

- Skater Portal: [My Coaches](#), [Music](#), [PPC](#)
- Coach Portal: [My Skaters](#), [Coach Schedule](#)

[Approved 2023-24 bye criteria](#)

[Minimum total element score](#) for SENIOR only

[Program Requirements](#) | Juvenile – Senior

[Hotel Booking Link](#)

[Coach Accreditation Application](#)

[Accompanying Guest Accreditation Form](#)

[Event Program Form](#)