## **COMPETITION MANUAL**



# **Excel Free Skate**

#### **GENERAL EVENT PARAMETERS:**

- Skaters may <u>not</u> enter both a well-balanced free skate event and an excel free skate event at the same competition
- Skaters will skate to the music of their choice
- Level will be determined by the highest free skate test passed; skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed or skate up to one level higher
- Skaters with physical disabilities may register for standard track or Skate United Track for events

EXCEL BEGINNER — 1:40 MAX					
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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES			
Maximum 4 jump elements:  Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front)  Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop only  Eulers (half loops) are not allowed  Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences.  Combination jumps permitted  Waltz jump/toe loop and/or  Salchow/toe loop  Sequence permitted  Waltz jump/ waltz jump (no turns or hops in between)  Maximum 2 of any same jump	Maximum 2 spins:  Two upright spins  No change of foot  No flying entry  Minimum 3 revolutions  Max Level: Base	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  • Must use one-half of the ice surface  • Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements  • Jumps may be included in the step sequence			

EXCEL HIGH BEGINNER — 1:40 MAX				
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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES		
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front)</li> <li>Single rotation jumps: toe loop, Salchow, Euler (half loop), loop</li> <li>Flip, Lutz, and Axel NOT permitted</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> <li>Maximum 2 of any same jump</li> </ul>	Maximum 2 spins:  Both spins must be in a single position  No change of foot  No flying entry  Permitted forward spins: upright, sit, camel  Permitted back spins: upright  Minimum 3 revolutions  Max Level: Base  Both spins may be of the same character	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence		



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#### EXCEL PRE-PRELIMINARY — 1:40 MAX

<u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre- preliminary free skate test \*means required element

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Only single jumps allowed</li> <li>No single Axels</li> <li>Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</li> <li>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul>	Maximum 2 spins:  One spin must be in a single position with no change of foot*  One spin may change feet or position, but not both  No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character  Max Level: 1	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  o Must use one-half of the ice surface o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

### EXCEL PRELIMINARY — 2:00 +/- 10 SECONDS

<u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test \*means required element

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>Only single jumps allowed</li> <li>No single Axels</li> <li>Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maximum 2 spins:</li> <li>One spin must be a camel or layback spin with no change of foot and no change of position*</li> <li>One spin may change feet and/or position</li> <li>No flying entry</li> <li>Minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Spins must be of a different character</li> <li>Max Level: 1</li> </ul>	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt) o Full ice o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements o Jumps may be included in the step sequence

#### EXCEL PRELIMINARY PLUS - 2:00 +/- 10 SECONDS

<u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test \*means required element

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JUMPS	SPINS	STEP SEQUENCES	
<ul> <li>Maximum 5 jump elements:</li> <li>All single jumps allowed, including single Axel</li> <li>No double or higher jumps allowed</li> <li>Single Axel may be repeated once (but not more) as a solo jump or part of a jump sequence or jump combination (maximum 2 single Axels)</li> <li>Number of remaining single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> <li>Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences</li> <li>All single jumps, including the single Axel, are allowed as part of a jump combination or sequence (no double jumps)</li> <li>Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</li> <li>Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maximum 2 spins:</li> <li>One spin must be in a single position*</li> <li>No change of foot</li> <li>No flying entry</li> <li>One spin may change feet and/or position</li> <li>No flying entry</li> <li>Minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>Spins must be of a different character</li> <li>Max Level: 1</li> </ul>	Maximum 1 Sequence:  • Choreographic step sequence* (ChSt)  o Full ice  o Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements  o Jumps may be included in the step sequence	