

TOYOTA







Beginning with the 2022-23 season, U.S. Figure Skating is consolidating the stand-alone October qualifying competitions, Regional (singles) and Sectional (pairs and ice dance) Challenges into the National Qualifying Series from mid-July to late September, allowing athletes to advance to the November Finals - Sectional Singles, U.S. Pairs and U.S. Ice Dance Finals - and culminating with the 2023 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships and National High Performance Development Team Camp in January 2023.

Athletes advancing from the 2022-23 National Qualifying Series will receive an email from events@usfigureskating.org with registration instruction no later than October 1, 2022.

Each qualifier will be required to complete registration within 72 hours of receiving their advancement email from U.S. Figure Skating Headquarters. If no response, spot will be forfeited, and alternate will be invited. Online payment via credit card is the ONLY accepted form of payment for the qualifying season. No cash, checks or mail orders will be accepted by U.S. Figure Skating.

Singles: \$250/entry + \$10 administration fee

Pairs and Ice Dance: \$350/entry + \$10 administration fee

For event specific information, including but not limited to schedule, practice ice, and local accommodations. Visit the event websites linked below.

- 2023 Eastern Sectional Singles & U.S. Ice Dance Final presented by Toyota
 - o Tuesday, November 8 Saturday, November 12, 2022
 - Norwood, Massachusetts The Skating Club of Boston
 - Event Website
- 2023 Midwestern Sectional Singles & U.S. Pairs Final presented by Toyota
 - Monday, November 7 Thursday, November 10, 2022
 - Lansing, Michigan Lansing Skating Club
 - Event Website
- 2023 Pacific Coast Sectional Singles Final presented by Toyota
 - Thursday, November 8 Sunday, November 13, 2022
 - o San Francisco, California The Skating Club of San Francisco
 - Event Website

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ADVANCEMENT TO NOVEMBER FINALS

SINGLES

- Juvenile Novice: 24 skaters per level
 - o Top 4 overall scores from each region, next best 12 overall scores from the section
- Junior Senior: 18 skaters per level plus byes
 - o Top 4 overall scores from each region, next best 6 overall scores from the section

PAIRS

- Juvenile Novice: 24 teams per level
 - Top 4 overall scores from each section, next best 12 overall scores from nation
- Junior Senior: 18 teams per level plus byes
 - Top 4 overall scores per section, next best 6 overall scores from nation

ICE DANCE

- Juvenile Novice: 24 teams per level
 - Top 4 overall scores from each section, next best 12 overall scores from nation
- Junior Senior: 18 teams per level plus byes
 - o Top 4 overall scores per section, next best 6 overall scores from nation

DUAL DISCIPLINE ATHLETES

If an athlete qualifies in two disciplines and their team event is held in a different section, their singles entry will be transferred to the section of the team event.

• For example, Skater A is a member of a club in the East and qualifies for the Eastern Sectional Singles Final in intermediate men and the U.S. Pairs Final in intermediate pairs. To compete in both disciplines, their singles entry will be transferred to the Midwestern Sectional Singles Final in Lansing, Michigan, held in conjunction with the U.S. Pairs Final. IF Skater A places in the top four intermediate men at the Midwestern Sectional Singles Final, Skater A and an additional skater from the Midwest will be invited to attend the National High Performance Development Team Camp. Note: there will only be fill up for Skater A's entry in their "home" section if they are Juvenile, Intermediate or Novice.

ALTERNATES (SINGLES ONLY)

Alternates will be invited based on next best sectional ranking. Invitations will be sent by events@usfigureskating.org up until 72 hours prior to the first event segment.

ADVANCEMENT TO NATIONAL HIGH PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT TEAM & CAMP

San Jose, California • January 2023, Exact Dates Coming Soon

SINGLES: 12 skaters per level

Top 4 athletes per section, per level in juvenile, intermediate and novice

PAIRS: 9 teams overall

Top 6 teams from the U.S. Pairs Final in novice

 Plus, 3 additional teams (juvenile – novice) per criteria approved by the Pairs Development and Technical Committee

ICE DANCE: 9 teams per level

Top 9 teams per level from the U.S. Ice Dance Final in juvenile, intermediate and novice

ADVANCEMENT TO U.S. FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

San Jose, California • January 23 - 29, 2023

RESOURCE LINKS:

APPROVED 2022-23 BYE CRITERIA MINIMUM TOTAL ELEMENT SCORE

SINGLES

Junior: maximum of 18 entries from the Sectional Singles Final

Top 4 athletes per section

Top 2 novice athletes per section invited to skate up to junior

IF any athletes qualify for the ISU Junior Grand Prix Final of Figure Skating who are registered to compete junior domestically, they will receive a bye to the U.S. Championships (in addition to the 18 from the Sectional Singles Final), if they withdraw prior to or at the Championships their byed spot will not be filled as the maximum entries is 18.

Senior: maximum of 18 entries inclusive of Byes and Sectional Singles Final

Athletes receiving a bye per the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook or approved bye criteria (will be published no later than July 1, 2022)

Top 2 athletes per section from Sectional Singles Final

Plus, next best scores nationwide until maximum is met

ICE DANCE

Junior: maximum of 12 entries from the U.S. Ice Dance Final

Top 12 teams from U.S. Ice Dance Final

IF any teams qualify for the ISU Junior Grand Prix Final of Figure Skating who are registered to compete junior domestically, they will receive a bye to the U.S. Championships (in addition to the 12 from the U.S. Ice Dance Final), if they withdraw prior to or at the Championships their byed spot will not be filled as the maximum entries is 12.

Senior: maximum of 15 entries inclusive of Byes and the U.S. Ice Dance Final

Teams receiving a bye per the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook or approved bye criteria (will be published no later than July 1, 2022). Plus, next best teams from U.S. Ice Dance Final until maximum is met.

PAIRS

Junior: maximum of 12 entries from the U.S. Pairs Final

Top 12 teams from U.S. Ice Dance Final

IF any teams qualify for the ISU Junior Grand Prix Final of Figure Skating who are registered to compete junior domestically, they will receive a bye to the U.S. Championships (in addition to the 12 from the U.S. Ice Pairs Final) if they withdraw prior to or at the Championships their byed spot will not be filled as the maximum entries is 12.

Senior: maximum of 12 entries inclusive of Byes and the U.S. Pairs Final

Teams receiving a bye per the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook or approved bye criteria (will be published no later than July 1, 2022). Plus, next best teams from U.S. Pairs Final until maximum is met.

See <u>U.S. Figure Skating Rules 2520-2524</u> for alternate information

COACH COMPLIANCE

Any coach attending the November Finals must be included in the competition registration via <u>EMS</u>. Any coaches declared at the time of registration will be included in the skater's registration confirmation email and have access to the <u>EMS Coach Portal</u>. Note, there is no registration approval process within <u>EMS</u> as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating database. Noncompliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

All November Final coaches must meet the criteria below:

✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member.

COACH COMPLIANCE (cont.)

- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check.
 - The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training.
 - The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Must complete the Professional Coach/Choreographer Coaching Education Requirement (CER) through the Professional Skaters Association (PSA).
- ✓ Must submit proof of general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.
- ✓ Must agree to the U.S. Figure Skating Code of Ethics.
- ✓ Must complete three waivers: 1) Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Release and Indemnification Agreement, 2) Medical Consent and 3) Name and Likeness Release and Consent Agreement.
- ✓ If athlete is participating in the National Qualifying Series, must be a full member of the <u>Professional Skaters Association (PSA)</u>.

LIABILITY

U.S. Figure Skating, the host club(s) and/or interclub association, the organizing committee and the ice arenas utilized for these events accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in these events (U.S. Figure Skating Rule 1600).

WITHDRAWS

All withdraws must be submitted in writing to <u>events@usfigureskating.org</u> and include <u>Competition Name</u>, <u>Event Discipline/Level</u>, <u>Athlete Name(s)</u> and <u>Member Number(s)</u>. All withdraws are final and no refunds will be permitted regardless of circumstance.

CONTACTS

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

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

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Competitions Committee Kathleen Krieger, Chair E-mail: KriegerRPh@msn.com

ATHLETE/COACH RESOURCE LIST

Event Websites: Eastern/Ice Dance, Midwestern/Pairs, Pacific Coast

<u>U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook</u> <u>School Absence Letter Request</u> Event Management System (EMS)

Skater Portal: My Coaches, Music, PPC

• Coach Portal: My Skaters, Coach Schedule

Approved 2022-23 Bye Criteria

<u>Minimum Total Element Score</u> *requires log-in to <u>Members Only</u>, for U.S. Championships only School Absence Letter Request

Program Requirements | Juvenile - Senior

• Singles: <u>Short Program</u> & <u>Free Skate</u>

• Pairs: Short Program & Free Skate

• Ice Dance: Pattern Dance, Rhythm Dance & Free Dance