



The 23rd Annual Cape Cod Synchronized Skating Classic
Hosted by:
The Bourne Skating Club
December 9-10, 2017

The 23rd Annual Cape Cod Synchronized Skating Classic will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current Rulebook as well as any pertinent updates posted on the U.S. Figure Skating web site.

This competition is open to all synchronized teams comprised of members who are eligible, restricted, reinstated, or readmitted persons, as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and currently registered members of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current Rulebook. Refer to the current rule book regarding eligibility of non-U.S. Citizens.

ELIGIBILITY / TEST AND AGE REQUIREMENTS: Skaters must meet the age requirements by the July 1st preceding this competition. This competition is not requiring that Moves in the Field test requirements be met, with the exception of the maximum allowed at the Learn to Skate USA level.

ENTRIES: All Entries **MUST BE** received by: midnight **October 23, 2017**. Early applications have a deadline of **September 25, 2017**. *Late entries will be reviewed and accepted at the discretion of the Chief Referee.* All applications should be entered on <http://comp.entryeeze.com>

Synchro Skills 1-3 events should be run in accordance to the 2017-18 Learn to Skate USA Competition Manual (a maximum of 6 teams per group).

For Synchro Skills 1-3, if a team fits into one level age-wise, but would like more of a challenge, they should be able to "skate-up" one level (for example, team has majority of skaters under 9 years old but would like to skate in the Synchro Skills 2, they should be allowed).

REFUND POLICY:

Entry fees will not be refunded after **October 23, 2017** unless no competition exists or is canceled. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be assessed a **\$25.00** fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the team is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. All applications should be entered on <http://comp.entryeeze.com>

Entry Fees: Synchronized Skating-Early applications earn a \$30 discount off team entry fee

1. \$300/team plus \$35/skater including alternates (\$40/skater **NOT** staying in a preferred hotel)*

2. Combined fee for Junior and Senior teams entering both the short and long programs: \$325/team plus \$35/skater, including alternates. (\$40/skater **NOT** staying in a preferred hotel)*
3. The entry fee for Learn to Skate USA Synchro Skills 1-3 is \$50 per team plus \$10 per skater.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center (HYCC), 141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601. HYCC has 2 ice surfaces. The Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. rink and The Patrick M. Butler rink both have an ice surface of 85ft by 200ft. Please see diagram on the BSC website. www.bourneskatingclub.com. There is a snack bar on-site. Locker rooms will be assigned by the referee. Skate bag storage will be housed on the upper track area of the gymnasium.

MUSIC: The music supply must be on a standard compact disc. No other format shall be accepted. The official competition music must be turned in at the registration table at the time of check-in. A duplicate CD should be readily available. Music may be picked up at the registration table following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Bourne Skating Club cannot be responsible for CDs left at the end of the competition. **PLEASE HAVE SEPARATE CD'S FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION.**

*****PRACTICE ICE CD's ARE HANDED TO THE MUSIC VOLUNTEER AT ICE LEVEL AT TIME OF PRACTICE*****

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Bourne Skating Club and Hyannis Youth and Community Center accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

JUDGING SYSTEM:

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events:

- Juvenile
- Intermediate
- Novice
- Junior Short Program & Free Skate
- Senior Short Program & Free Skate
- Collegiate
- Adult

The majority 6.0 Judging System will be used for the following events:

- Synchro Skills 1-3
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Open Juvenile
- Masters
- Open Adult
- Open Masters
- Open Collegiate

All teams competing in a level judged under the IJS will be required to complete a planned program content sheet. Each team's Planned Program Content sheet must be completed via their Member's Only profile at www.usfsaonline.org **at least 7 days** before the start of the event.

REGISTRATION: Registration will begin September 10, 2017 and end at midnight on October 23, 2017. The registration table will be located **inside the TD Bank Lobby entrance at the HYCC**. Teams need to register no later than two hours in advance of their competition event and

submit their competition music. At the time of registration, teams will pick-up their registration packets containing competition information, badges, final schedules, etc. The Official Bulletin Board will be located at registration. It is the responsibility of each team to periodically check this board for any updates. Team Managers should register on behalf of the team, as soon as the team arrives at the competition. Coaches must register separately to receive their credential (see coaching requirements below).

ADMISSION: Each team will receive a credential for each skater, two (2) registered coaches, as well as two (2) chaperones. All other entry is paid by general admission. Admissions prices are \$15 per day or \$25.00 for a 2 day all event pass, and a one day pass of \$10.00 for senior citizens and military with a valid ID. Children under age 5 are free. Tickets can be purchased online through team registration or at the door.

PRACTICE ICE: All practice ice is at HYCC, which has an ice surface of 200' x 85'. Practice ice will be available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the HYCC. Practice ice is strongly recommended for teams competing in the IJS events. Collegiate, Adult, Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior teams will have their practice ice monitored by the Technical Panel, and will be grouped together based on event starting order.

Your unofficial practice ice will be assigned in block format by level by the LOC. Practice ice will be sold in blocks of 10 minutes @ \$135.00 per block. Practice ice will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Practice Ice will not be scheduled without full payment and completion of the team registration forms. Practice Ice sessions will be confirmed by email.

PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEOGRAPHY: : The event will be filmed and photographed. Photographs and videotapes will be available for order.

AWARDS: Awards will be presented to each skater on teams placing first through fourth in each division. A first place award will be given to the first place team in each division. The Junior and Senior Short and Long programs are judged and awarded as separate events. Medals will not be awarded for exhibition events. Results will be posted on the concourse. Please check bulletin board at the registration desk for time and location of the presentation of awards. Teams will enter from the Center boards at Ice Level for awards.

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained at the Registration Desk. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent, and/or coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:

To coach at a U.S. Figure Skating non qualifying competition, a professional coach or choreographer must be:

- ✓ Declared by the skater or team in the registration process
- ✓ Listed as Coaches Education Requirement (CER) Category A or B for the current Season. If coaches are ONLY coaching a Learn to Skate USA Synchro Skills 1-3 team, a Learn to Skate USA Instructor Membership and background check is sufficient. If the coach is coaching any other level team(s) at a non qualifying event, then he/she must have at least CER B for the current season
- ✓ Current with Coach Registration (requires annual fee and background check)
- ✓ A current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating

A coaches' requirements chart can be found here: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaches%20Requirement%20Chart.pdf>.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. Coaches who are NOT on the list will need to show proof of membership in U.S. Figure Skating, a Coaches Registration card, proof of Category A or B compliance, and a photo I.D. at check in. **If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions. We strongly urge *all* coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions.**

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition web site: www.bourneskatingclub.com

For questions, please contact the following individuals;

Co-Chairs: Shannon Cobb and Lisa Adams (capecodsynchroclassic@gmail.com)

Registration Chair: Lisa Adams (capecodsynchroclassic@gmail.com)

Chief Referee: Daren Patterson (DarenPatterson@yahoo.com)

Officials Chair: Paulette Armstrong (capecodsynchroclassic@gmail.com)

Vendor Chair: Helena Jones (capecodsynchroclassic@gmail.com)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

There will be a trade show in the gymnasium, including our usual line-up of vendors - sweatshirts, t shirts, video tapes, action photos, skating-related items, competition pins, and results. Competition pins may also be pre-ordered through the registration process.

Please make sure to inform your bus drivers that there is **absolutely no bus parking** at the HYCC. Buses are allowed to drop off and pick up their teams only.

Parking: Parking is VERY limited at the HYCC. We encourage you to communicate to your skating families to carpool to the rink.

Restrooms: We must insist that there be no changing of clothing or applying make-up in the public restrooms on the upper level of the HYCC.

Skate Bag Room: Skate bags will be stored in the gymnasium on the upper track level.

Critiques: Critique officials will be assigned to each event. Due to scheduling limitations, there will be limited time and we must adhere to the following:

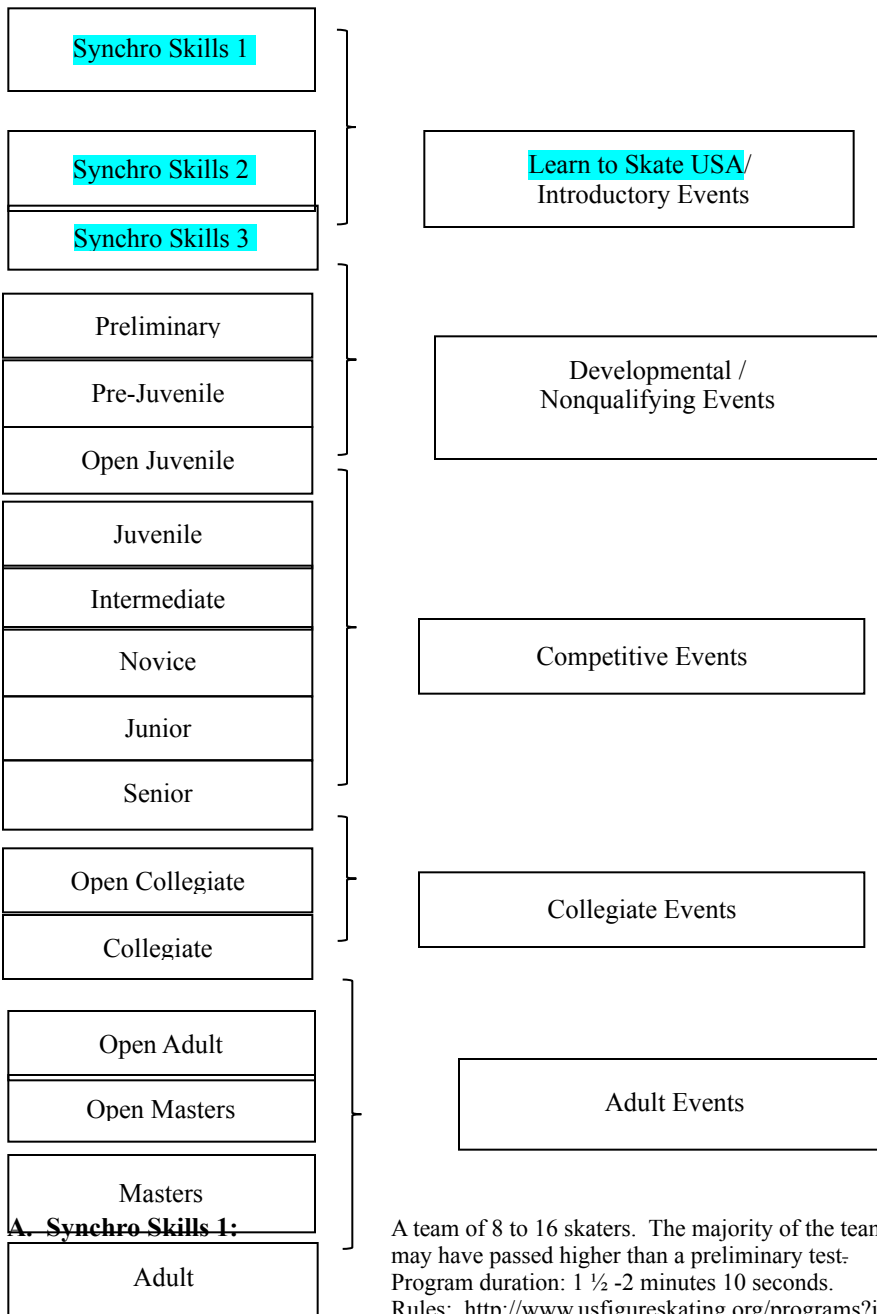
Critiques will occur approximately 10 minutes after each event, in a designated critique area close to the official's room. They will occur on a first-come-first-serve basis, and for as long as time permits. If time does not permit for critiques, the coach may communicate via email with the officials from the competition to solicit feedback.

EVENTS OFFERED:

See the current rulebook/website for current rules and ISU communications.

http://www.usfigureskating.org/New_Judging.asp?id=361)

Illustration of Synchronized Skating competitive pipeline and events; age restrictions, test requirements, and program duration are on the next page:



A. Synchro Skills 1:

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.
 Program duration: 1 ½ -2 minutes 10 seconds.
 Rules: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>

B. Synchro Skills 2:

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be 9-11 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.
 Program duration: 1 ½ -2 minutes 10 seconds.
 Rules: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>

C. Synchro Skills 3:

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be at least 12 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.
 Program duration: 2 – 2 minutes 40 seconds.



Rules: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>

- D. Preliminary:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. All skaters must be under 12. The majority of the team must be under 10.
Program duration: 2 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7270
- E. Pre-Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12.
Program duration: 2 minutes, 15 seconds.
Well balanced program: Rule 7260
- F. Open Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be under 20 and have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7250
- G. Juvenile:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 13 and have passed the pre-juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7240
- H. Intermediate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 18 and have passed the juvenile in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7230
- I. Novice:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 16, with the exception that up to 4 team members may be 16 or 17. All must have passed the intermediate moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7220
- J. Junior:** A team of 12 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 13 and under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the novice moves in the field test.
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds
Free skate duration: 4 minutes.
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 7210
- K. Senior:** A team of 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 15 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the junior moves in the field test.
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds
Free skate duration: 4 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 7200
- L. Open Collegiate:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student, as of the entry deadline.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7290
- M. Collegiate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student, as of the entry deadline, and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 4 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7280
- N. Open Adult :** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of skaters must be at least 19 years or older.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 7520
- O. Open Masters:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 25, and the majority of the team must be at least 30.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.

Well balanced program: Rule 7530

P. Masters:

A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be at least 25, and the majority of the team must be at least 30.

Program duration: 3 minutes.

Well balanced program: Rule 7510

Q. Adult:

A team of 12 to 20 skaters. All skaters must be at least 21 with the exception that up to four team members may be 18, 19 or 20 years of age. All skaters must have passed either the preliminary moves in the field test, the adult bronze moves in the field test, the preliminary figure test or the preliminary dance test.

Program duration: 3 minutes, 15 seconds.

Well balanced program: Rule 7500

Teams are permitted to have a maximum for four alternates, in addition to the maximum number of athletes allowed on the ice at their level.

Crossover Rules:

No team may be comprised of more than 50% of athletes that are also on any other team. This applies to both the entire roster and the athletes that are skating on the ice at any given competition.

The chart below illustrates the levels where crossover skaters are allowed. The shaded areas indicate no crossovers are allowed. An “X” indicates crossovers are allowed between the two levels, providing all requirements are met as defined Rules 7200 – 7530, in addition to the statement above.

	Synchro Skills 1, 2 or 3	Preliminary	Pre - Juvenile	Open Juvenile	Juvenile	Intermediate	Novice	Junior	Senior	Open Collegiate	Collegiate	Open Adult	Open Masters	Masters	Adult
Synchro Skills 1, 2 or 3															
Preliminary															
Pre - Juvenile															
Open Juvenile															
Juvenile						X	X								
Intermediate					X		X	X	X						
Novice					X	X		X	X						
Junior						X	X		X		X				
Senior						X	X	X			X				X
Open Collegiate															
Collegiate								X	X						X
Open Adult															
Open Masters															



