



The 24th Annual Cape Cod Synchronized Skating Classic
Hosted by:
The Bourne Skating Club
December 8- 9, 2018

The **24th 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 which have been 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.

This event is proud to participate in the **National Synchronized Skating Challenge Series**. Participation in this series is open to all Snowplow Sam Synchro, Synchro Skills 1, 2, or 3 teams and preliminary, pre-juvenile, open juvenile, open collegiate, open adult and open masters teams. Visit www.usfigureskating.org for more information on this series. Results of this event for participating teams will be reported to U.S. Figure Skating for calculation of the series results.

Our event is also selected for the **International Selection Pool Competition Readiness** program. Each junior and senior team, named to the 2019 International Selection Pool, must compete in at least two of the approved competitions. We will have International Judges and SMS members on each of the junior and senior panels. Short Programs will compete on Saturday, and Free Skate programs will compete on Sunday. *Please note our reduced fees for Junior and Senior Teams.*

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 levels (Snowplow Sam Synchro and Synchro Skills 1-3).

ENTRIES: : All Entries **MUST BE** received by: midnight **October 22, 2018**. Early applications have a deadline of **September 24, 2018**. Snowplow Sam Synchro and Synchro Skills 1,2, and 3 are excluded from Early Bird application. *Late entries will be reviewed and accepted at the discretion of the Chief Referee.* All applications should be entered on <http://comp.entreeeze.com>

[NOTE: the registration deadline date shall be no later than 60 days prior to the commencement of the competition.] Synchro Skills 1-3 and Snowplow Sam Synchro events should be run in accordance to the Learn to Skate USA Competition Manual (a maximum of 6 teams per group).

For Synchro Skills levels, 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).

Entry Fees:

Synchronized Skating-Early applications earn a \$30 discount off team entry fee. Snowplow Sam Synchro and Synchro Skills 1,2, and 3 are excluded from Early Bird application.

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: \$100/team
3. The entry fee for Snowplow Sam and Learn to Skate USA Synchro Skills 1-3 is \$50 per team plus \$10 per skater.

REFUND POLICY:

Entry fees will not be refunded after **October 22, 2018** 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** processing 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.entreeeze.com](http://comp.entreeeze.com)

FACILITIES: The competition will be held the Hyannis Youth and Community Center (HYCC), 141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601. HYCC has 2 ice surfaces. The Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. rink will be the official competition rink and has an ice surface of 85ft by 200ft. The Patrick M. Butler rink will be used for practice ice and has 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. **Warmup space will be provided in the lower Gymnasium and times will be assigned.**

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS: MANDATORY TO INCLUDE that this event will be following the Locker Rooms and Changing Area policy included in the SafeSport Handbook.

MUSIC: Competition music for all events **MUST** be submitted electronically via the online registration system by the music deadline of November 5, 201 at midnight.

Competitors must also bring a copy of their music on CD, as a back up. 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.**

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
- Masters

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

- Snowplow Sam Synchro
- Synchro Skills 1-3
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Open Juvenile
- 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 9, 2018 and end at midnight on October 22, 2018. The registration table will be located the TD Bank Lobby entrance at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center. 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, team managers, and team service personnel 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 ages 6-12 \$5 per

day and children under age 5 are free. Tickets can be purchased online through team registration or at the door.

Please Note: In order to receive a chaperone credential, each team manager and team service personnel must have completed the SafeSport Training and successfully passed a background check. Those that cannot produce proof that these have been successfully completed will not be provided a chaperone credential.

Team managers and team service personnel will be asked to pick up their own credentials. These credentials are only to be used by the team manager and team service personnel who originally picked them up and may not be shared. Anyone found using a credential, not on the approved compliance list, will have their credential privileges revoked for the duration of the competition and be brought to the attention of U.S. Figure Skating and the Ethics Committee.

Please see the [U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport Handbook](#) for more details.

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.** Official practice ice will be sold in blocks of 10 minutes @ \$135.00 per block.

Your **Unofficial** practice ice will be assigned in a block format by level by the LOC. Practice ice will be sold in blocks of 10 minutes @ \$125.00 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. The official schedule of events will be posted no later than 14 calendar days prior to the commencement of the competition.

INFORMATION REGARDING ALL COACHES:

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

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating- either through a member club or as an individual member.
- ✓ If 18 years of age or older, must submit the proper payment of \$20 through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only website, and submit information for and successfully pass an annual background check.

- ✓ Must complete the CER SafeSport training course and any additional courses as required in MR 5.12 effective starting July 1, 2018.
- ✓ Must submit proof of general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/ \$5 million aggregate.
- ✓ 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, proof of 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**

Foreign coaches will be required to present the LOC with a letter, from their Federation, verifying they are a member in good standing.

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: Paulette Armstrong (capecodsynchroclassic@gmail.com)

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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.

THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED IN THE GYM.

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.

Judge's Stand: The Judges and Technical Panel will be located on the upper level center ice stands of the Kennedy rink.

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

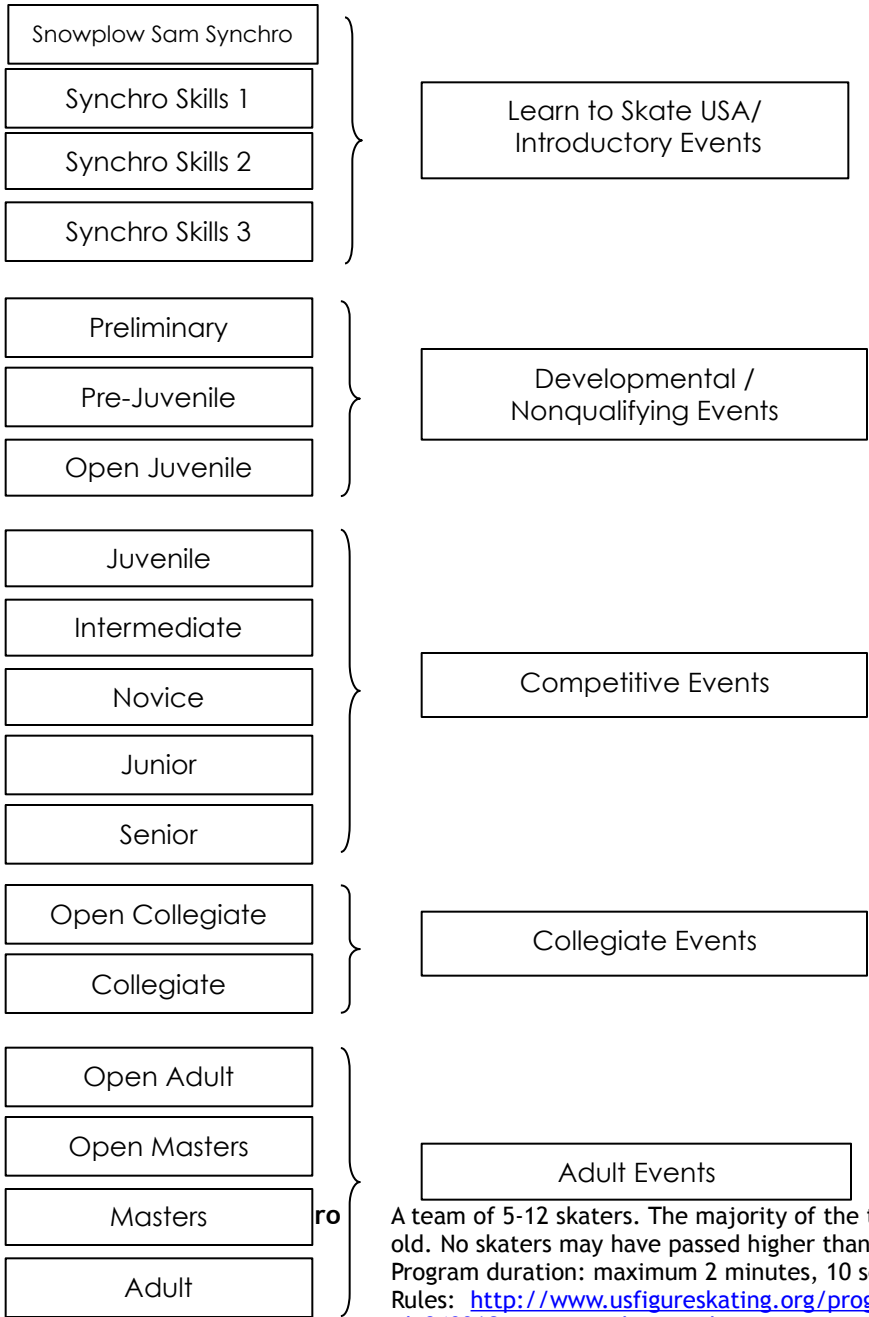
coach may communicate via email with the officials from the competition to solicit feedback.

EVENTS OFFERED:

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

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/story?id=84114>)

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



A team of 5-12 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 7 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.
 Program duration: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.
 Rules: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>

B. Synchro Skills 1:

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test.
 Program duration: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.



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

- C. Synchro Skills 2:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12 years old. No skaters may have passed higher than a preliminary test. Program duration: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.
Rules: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>
- D. 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: maximum 2 minutes, 10 seconds.
Rules: <http://www.usfigureskating.org/programs?id=84096&menu=synchronized>
- E. 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
- F. Pre-Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 13.
Program duration: 2 minutes, 15 seconds.
Well balanced program: Rule 7260
- G. 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
- H. 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: 2 minutes, 30 seconds
Well balanced program: Rule 7240
- I. Intermediate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 18 and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 minutes
Well balanced program: Rule 7230
- J. 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 minutes
Well balanced program: Rule 7220
- K. 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: 3 minutes, 30 seconds
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 7210
- L. 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 minutes
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 7200
- M. 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: 2 minutes, 30 seconds
Well balanced program: Rule 7290

- N. 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: 3 minutes, 30 seconds
Well balanced program: Rule 7280
- O. Open Adult:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of skaters must be at least 19 years or older.
Program duration: 2 minutes
Well balanced program: Rule 7520
- P. 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 minutes
Well balanced program: Rule 7530
- Q. 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: 2 minutes, 30 seconds
Well balanced program: Rule 7510
- R. 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: 2 minutes, 30 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: See Rule Rules 7200 - 7530