



**2020**  
**Southern Connecticut**  
**Terry Conners Rink**  
**COMPETE USA**



**March 14, 2020**  
**12:30 pm – 5:30 pm**

**Learn to Skate Compulsory Element Events – no Music**  
**Learn to Skate Free Skate Program Events – with Music**

**Introductory Compulsory Elements – no Music**  
**Introductory Free Skate Programs – with Music**

**Compulsory Elements – no Music**  
**Excel Program Events**  
**Well Balanced Programs**

**Showcase**

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**Terry Conners Skating Rink**  
**Cove Island Park, 1125 Cove Road Stamford, Connecticut 06902**  
**203.977.4728**



**COMPETE USA**  
at  
**TERRY CONNERS RINK**

Sponsored by Skating Club of Southern Connecticut

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**DATE:** Saturday, March 14, 2020

**TIME:** 12:30pm to 5:30pm

**LOCATION:** Terry Connors Ice Rink, Cove Island Park, 1125 Cove Road, Stamford CT 06902 203.977.4728

**WEBSITE:** [www.skatescsc.com](http://www.skatescsc.com)

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**RULES:** The competition will be conducted according to the rules for the 2019-2020 competition season as set forth in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible members of either the Learn to Skate USA and/or those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the Terry Connors Skating School Learn to Skate Program, SC of Southern CT, Learn to Skate USA or a member club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All **SNOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS 1 – 6 SKATERS** must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including Moves in the Field or Individual Dances.

For the **Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 1-6, Excel and Well Balanced Levels**, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed. Moves in the Field test level will not determine skater's competitive level. Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher, but not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

Skaters need to be placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) discovers that a skater has been placed in a category that is below his/her class level, the chair and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper division, even if it is the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors.

**ENTRIES AND FEES:** Skaters may register online at [www.skatescsc.com](http://www.skatescsc.com) and pay by credit card by **February 24, 2020**. Paper entries may be delivered in person to Terry Connors Rink no later than February 24, 2020. ENTRY FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY and returned with a check made payable as stated below. Late entries may be accepted only at the discretion of the Competition Committee, and will be subject to a \$15.00 late fee. The number of late entries may be restricted due to time constraints.

**SNOWPLOW SAM to Basic 6 Elements – \$60.00**

**BASIC 3 to BASIC 6 PROGRAMS (with music) \$60.00**

**PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 1-6 COMPULSORY - \$60.00**

**PRE-FREE SKATE - FREE SKATE 1-6 PROGRAMS (with music) - \$60.00**

**Combined Price for Basic Skills and Free Skate Levels: One Elements and One Program Event at the same level \$80.00**

**EXCEL COMPULSORY MOVES:** Beginner, High Beginner, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary – **\$80.00**

**EXCEL FREE SKATE PROGRAMS:** Beginner, High Beginner, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary, Preliminary Plus – **\$80.00**

**Combined Price for Excel Skate Levels: One Compulsory and One Program Event at the same level \$110.00**

**WELL BALANCED COMPULSORY MOVES:** No Test, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary – **\$80.00**

**WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE PROGRAMS:** No Test, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary, Preliminary Plus – **\$80.00**

**Combined Price for Well Balanced Skate Levels: One Compulsory and One Program Event at the same level \$110.00**

**SHOWCASE:** All Levels – **\$80.00**

**Per USFS Rule 3058, NO refunds will be granted after the closing date unless the event is cancelled by SC of Southern CT.** There will be no refunds made for withdrawals for medical reasons, conflicting family activities, injuries, or illness. Should there be only one skater in an event, the event may be cancelled and the skater will receive a refund for the cancelled event per Rule #3048. There will be no changes to the schedule to accommodate personal or family conflicts. Any request for event or level changes after the entry has been received will be processed upon receipt of a \$25.00 change fee. No changes will be made after entries have been sent to the chief referee. There will be a \$30.00 fee for returned checks. There will be no admission charge.

**Register Online at [www.skatescsc.com](http://www.skatescsc.com)**

**Paper Entry Forms may be delivered in person to Terry Conners Rink.  
Checks should be made payable to Skating Club of Southern Connecticut**

**AWARDS:** Medals will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place skaters in each group, and all groups, Snowplow Sam through Free Skate 6, will be limited to four skaters. No Test, Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary Compulsory Moves and Free Skate Events, and all Excel Compulsory and Free Skate events will be grouped at the discretion of the organizing committee, based on the number of entries. Award Ceremonies will be scheduled at various intervals throughout the competition and will be presented off-ice.

**SCHEDULE of EVENTS:** The competition schedule will be posted at Terry Conners Rink and on the Skating Club of Southern Connecticut website ([www.skatescsc.com](http://www.skatescsc.com)) as soon as possible after the close of entries but no later than one week prior to the competition.

**MUSIC: Only CDs will be accepted.** Due to compatibility and reliability reasons music may NOT be submitted on re-recordable "CD-RW" discs. Competitors must bring their CD labeled with skater's name, event and music length (not skating time) to the Registration Desk upon checking in. Lead-in time (time before the music begins) may not exceed two (2) seconds and only one track is permitted on the CD. Each CD must be in a paper CD sleeve with a see-through window. **All competitors MUST have a back-up CD rinkside during the competition** to avoid time delays. Music will be available for pick up at the Registration Desk at the conclusion of individual events. The LOC will accept no responsibility for damaged or lost CDs.

**LOCKER ROOMS:** The dressing rooms are unsupervised. Do not leave valuables unguarded. Neither SCSC nor Terry Conners Rink will be liable for items that are lost or stolen. This event will follow the Locker Room and Changing Area policy included in the SafeSport Handbook. Bring skate guards.

**LIABILITY:** This competition has been approved by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted in association with U.S. Figure Skating rules governing non-qualifying and Basic Skills competitions as set forth in the 2019 Rulebook. It is agreed that the competitor and family holds Skating Club of Southern Connecticut, Terry Conners Skating School, and Terry Conners Rink harmless from any and all liability during practice and the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Non-U.S. Figure Skating judges may be used to judge some of the events. The selection of all officials will comply with the rules for competitions as set out in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook and in the criteria developed for U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills competitions.

**COACH CREDENTIALS:** U.S. Figure Skating has implemented coaching requirements, background screening and continuing education requirements for all coaches. Registration and CER compliance expire each year on June 30th, just like USFS membership, and need to be renewed annually. To find out if your coach is registered in accordance with U.S. Figure Skating Rule 1311, please see [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org). **Coaches who are not properly registered, will NOT be allowed in the coaching area or at the boards to coach skaters at the competition or during practice ice. In addition, they will NOT be credentialed as a coach.**

**REGISTRATION CHECK-IN:** All competitors must check in at the Registration Desk upon arrival at the rink. Competitors are to arrive at the rink one hour prior to their scheduled event.

**RINK:** The main rink ice surface measures 200' x 85'.

### SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 6 ELEMENTS

Two format options for the Elements Event:

1. Skater will perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps or choreography)  
 Judge/referee directed example: all skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on, or each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater.
  - To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice (determined by the LOC)
  - No music
  - Divide Snowplow Sam skaters by level (1-4), if registrations warrant
  - **All elements must be skated in the order listed.**

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Snowplow Sam	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> <li>• Forward snowplow stop</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 1	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>• Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 2	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward one-foot glide (no variations), either foot</li> <li>• Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> <li>• Moving snowplow stop</li> <li>• Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward</li> <li>• Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 3	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>• Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Forward slalom</li> <li>• Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> <li>• Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> </ul>
Basic 4	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>• Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left</li> <li>• Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions</li> </ul>
Basic 5	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>• Hockey stop</li> </ul>
Basic 6	1:00 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Bunny Hop</li> <li>• Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left</li> <li>• Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry</li> <li>• T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>

### BASIC 3 – BASIC 6 PROGRAM WITH MUSIC

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise specified.

- To be skated on full ice with music.
- The skater may use elements from a previous level.
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level. Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Snowplow Sam	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> <li>• Forward snowplow stop</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 1	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>• Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>• Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> <li>• Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 2	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward one-foot glide (no variations), either foot</li> <li>• Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> <li>• Moving snowplow stop</li> <li>• Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward</li> <li>• Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 3	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>• Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Forward slalom</li> <li>• Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> <li>• Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> </ul>
Basic 4	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>• Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counterclockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>• Backward one-foot glides (no variations), right and left</li> <li>• Beginning two-foot spin, maximum 4 revolutions</li> </ul>
Basic 5	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>• Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Advanced two-foot spin, minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>• Hockey stop</li> </ul>
Basic 6	1:10 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Bunny Hop</li> <li>• Basic forward spiral on a straight line (no variations), right or left</li> <li>• Beginning one-foot spin, maximum 3 revolutions, optional entry and free leg position</li> <li>• T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>

### PRE-FREE SKATE – FREE SKATE 1-6 COMPULSORY

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- **Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements.**
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward inside open Mohawk from a standstill position (R to L and L to R)</li> <li>• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, one set each direction clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Mazurka – right or left</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes</li> <li>• Backward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, entry from backward crossovers, with free foot in crossed leg position (scratch spin) - minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>• Toe loop</li> <li>• Half flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on a continuous axis</li> <li>• Backward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>• Beginning back spin, optional entry and free-foot position - maximum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Half Lutz</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>• Waltz three-turns, 2 sets clockwise and 2 sets counterclockwise</li> <li>• Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position- minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination</li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>• Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Euler (half loop jump)</li> <li>• Flip jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), 2-3 sets both directions</li> <li>• Camel spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz jump/loop jump combination</li> <li>• Lutz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power pulls, minimum 3 on each foot</li> <li>• Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of 4 revolutions total</li> <li>• Waltz jump/Euler (half loop)/ Salchow jump combination</li> <li>• Axel jump; minimum requirement is a clear attempt either stationary or moving</li> </ul>

### PRE-FREE SKATE – FREE SKATE 1-6 PROGRAM WITH MUSIC

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times an element is executed, length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise stated. Connecting steps and transitions should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- To be skated on full ice.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels.
- **Bonus skills from the same level or below are allowed but will not be judged elements.**
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Pre-Free Skate	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, one set each direction clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position- minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Mazurka - right or left</li> <li>• Waltz jump</li> <li>• <i>NOT ALLOWED -Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump</i></li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive powerful strokes</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin, entry from backward crossovers, with free foot in crossed leg position (scratch spin) - minimum 4 revolutions</li> <li>• Toe loop jump</li> <li>• Half flip jump</li> <li>• <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump/toe loop combination</i></li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating forward outside spiral (right and left) and forward inside spiral (right and left) on a continuous axis</li> <li>• Beginning back spin, optional entry and free-foot position, maximum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Half Lutz</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> <li>• <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz jump/toe loop and Salchow/toe loop combination</i></li> </ul>
Free Skate 3	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>• Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination</li> <li>• <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz/loop combination</i></li> </ul>
Free Skate 4	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>• Sit spin – minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Euler (half loop jump)</li> <li>• Flip jump</li> <li>• <i>NOT ALLOWED – Waltz/loop and Waltz/Euler/Salchow combination</i></li> </ul>
Free Skate 5	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), 2-3 sets both directions</li> <li>• Camel spin – minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Waltz/loop jump combination</li> <li>• Lutz jump</li> </ul>
Free Skate 6	1:40 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creative step sequence using a variety of three turns, Mohawks and toe steps, half-ice</li> <li>• Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of 4 revolutions total</li> <li>• Waltz jump/ Euler (half loop)/Salchow jump combination</li> <li>• Axel jump; minimum requirement is a clear attempt either stationary or moving</li> </ul>

## EXCEL COMPULSORY

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program.*

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Excel Beginner	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toe loop jump</li> <li>• Salchow jump</li> <li>• One-foot upright spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
Excel High Beginner	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Salchow/toe loop combination</li> <li>• Sit spin - minimum 3 revolutions</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
Excel Pre-Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flip jump</li> <li>• Loop/loop jump combination</li> <li>• Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
Excel Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lutz jump</li> <li>• Flip/loop jump combination</li> <li>• Camel, sit combination spin – minimum 6 revolutions total</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>

## WELL BALANCED LEVELS COMPULSORY

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice.
- No music
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements listed
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level.
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than free skate program.*

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
No Test	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loop jump</li> <li>• Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel)</li> <li>• Upright spin with change of foot – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
Pre-Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lutz jump</li> <li>• Jump combination: single/single (no Axel)</li> <li>• Spin with one change of position and no change of foot – minimum 6 revolutions total</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>
Preliminary	1:15 max.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Axel jump</li> <li>• Jump combination: single/single (may include Axel)</li> <li>• Spin with one change of foot and one change of position – minimum 3 revolutions on each foot</li> <li>• Choreographic step sequence</li> </ul>



## EXCEL FREE SKATE

General event parameters:

- Skaters may not 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.

<p><b>Excel Beginner</b></p> <p>1:40 Max.</p> <p>Learn to Skate USA membership OR full U.S. Figure Skating membership required</p>	<p><b>Maximum 4 jump elements:</b> 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. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul> <p>Maximum 2 of any same jump</p>	<p><b>Maximum 2 spins:</b> Two upright spins No change of foot No flying entry</p> <p>Minimum 3 revolutions</p> <p>Max Level: Base</p>	<p><b>Maximum 1 Sequence:</b> 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</p>
<p><b>Excel High Beginner</b></p> <p>1:40 Max.</p> <p>Learn to Skate USA membership OR full U.S. Figure Skating membership required</p>	<p><b>Maximum 5 jump elements:</b> Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front) Single rotation jumps: toe loop, Salchow, Euler (half loop), loop Flip, Lutz, &amp; Axel NOT permitted Maximum 2 jump combinations or sequences. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul> <p>Maximum 2 of any same jump</p>	<p><b>Maximum 2 spins:</b> Both spins must be in a single position <u>No change of foot</u> No flying entry Permitted forward spins: upright, sit, camel Permitted back spins: upright</p> <p>Minimum 3 revolutions</p> <p>Max Level: Base</p>	<p><b>Maximum 1 Sequence:</b> 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</p>
<p><b>Excel Pre-Preliminary</b></p> <p>1:40 Max.</p> <p><u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-preliminary free skate test</p> <p>*means required element</p> <p>Learn to Skate USA membership <u>OR</u> full U.S. Figure Skating membership required</p>	<p><b>Maximum 5 jump elements:</b> All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel No single Axels, double, or higher jumps allowed Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul>	<p><b>Maximum 2 spins:</b> One spin must be in a single position <u>with no change of foot*</u> One spin may change feet or position, <u>but not both</u> No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character</p> <p>Max Level: 1</p>	<p><b>Maximum 1 Sequence:</b> 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</p>
<p><b>Excel Preliminary</b></p> <p>1:30 +/- 10 sec.</p> <p><u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test</p> <p>*means required element</p> <p>Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required</p>	<p><b>Maximum 5 jump elements:</b> All single jumps allowed, except for the Axel No single Axels, double, or higher jumps allowed Number of single jumps (except single Axel) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by a waltz jump</li> </ul>	<p><b>Maximum 2 spins:</b> <u>One spin must be a camel or layback spin with no change of foot and no change of position*</u> One spin may change feet and/or position No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character</p> <p>Max Level: 1</p>	<p><b>Maximum 1 Sequence:</b> 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</p>

<p><b>Excel Preliminary Plus</b> 1:30 +/- 10 sec.</p> <p><u>Must not</u> have passed higher than U.S. Figure Skating preliminary free skate test</p> <p>*means required element</p> <p>Full U.S. Figure Skating membership required</p>	<p><b>Maximum 5 jump elements:</b> All single jumps allowed, including single Axel No double, or higher jumps allowed 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) Number of remaining single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded Maximum 2 jump combinations or jump sequences All single jumps, including the single Axel are allowed as part of a jump combination or sequence (no double jumps) Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps. One 3-jump combination is allowed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an axel type jump.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Maximum 2 spins:</b> One spin must be in a single position* <u>No change of foot</u> <u>No flying entry</u> One spin may change feet and/or position No flying entry Minimum 3 revolutions Spins must be of a different character</p> <p>Max Level: 1</p>	<p><b>Maximum 1 Sequence:</b> 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</p>
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## WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE PROGRAM

General event parameters:

- Skaters may not 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 one level higher.

Level/Time	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences
No Test  1:40 Max.	<b>Max 5 Jump Elements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All single jumps allowed except for the single Axel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No single Axels, double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed</li> <li>○ Number of single jumps (except single Axels) is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is allowed</li> <li>○ Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump (waltz jump)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Max 2 Spins</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spins may change feet and/or position</li> <li>• Spins may start with a flying entry</li> <li>• Min 3 revs.</li> </ul> <p>These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))</p>	<b>Max 1 Sequence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Step Sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Must use one-half the ice surface</li> <li>○ Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements</li> <li>○ Jumps may be included in the step sequence</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Pre-Preliminary  1:40 Max.	<b>Max 5 Jump Elements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All single jumps, including the single Axel, allowed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No double, triple or quadruple jumps allowed</li> <li>○ Axel may be repeated once as a solo jump or part of a jump sequence or jump combination (maximum of 2 single Axels)</li> <li>○ Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Max 2 jump combinations or jump sequences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one 3-jump combination with a maximum of 3 single jumps is allowed</li> <li>○ Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Max 2 Spins</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spins may change feet and/or position</li> <li>• Spins may start with a flying entry</li> <li>• Min 3 revs.</li> </ul> <p>These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))</p>	<b>Max 1 Sequence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Step Sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Must use one-half the ice surface</li> <li>○ Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements</li> <li>○ Jumps may be included in the step sequence</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Preliminary  1:30 +/- 10 sec. Max.	<b>Max 5 Jump Elements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 must be an Axel-type jump or a waltz jump*</li> <li>• All single jumps, including the single Axel, allowed. Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (limited to double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Double flip, double Lutz, double Axel, triple and quadruple jumps not allowed</li> <li>○ An Axel plus up to two different, allowable double jumps may be repeated once (but not more) as solo jumps or part of a jump sequence or jump combination</li> <li>○ Number of single jumps is not limited provided the maximum number of jump elements allowed is not exceeded</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Max 2 jump combinations or sequences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jump combinations limited to 2 jumps except that one three jump combination with a maximum of 2 double jumps and 1 single jump is allowed</li> <li>○ Jump sequence is any listed jump immediately followed by an Axel-type jump</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Max 2 Spins</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spins may change feet and/or position</li> <li>• Spins may start with a flying entry</li> <li>• Min 3 revs.</li> </ul> <p>These spins must be of a different character (For definition see U.S. Figure Skating rule 6103 (E))</p>	<b>Max 1 Sequence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Step Sequence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Must use one-half the ice surface</li> <li>○ Moves in the field and spiral sequences are allowed but will not be counted as elements</li> <li>○ Jumps may be included in the step sequence</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## SHOWCASE EVENTS

Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic, Free Skate, Limited Beginner through Preliminary and Adult Bronze. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event or highest test level of skater's in the group ensemble or production number. If a free skate event is not being entered, skaters must enter at their current test level or one level higher. Vocal music is permitted.

Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Costuming and make-up for showcase programs should enhance the feeling created by the performance and reflect the meaning of the story or theme. Ornaments and hair accessories must be secure. No bobby pins, feathers, hair accessories, or anything else that may fall to the ice and be hazardous to the skaters are allowed. A 0.1 deduction will be taken. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute on and off and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal. A 0.1 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judge's mark for each ten seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical qualities. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to support the selected theatrical elements. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will reduce contestant's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, pantomime, eye contact, choreography, form/extension and the use of props and ice.

6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

\* For specific guidelines regarding the conduct of Showcase competitions, refer to the Nonqualifying Showcase Guidelines posted on [www.usfigureskating.org](http://www.usfigureskating.org).

Showcase categories may include:

- Levels can be subdivided or combined, if necessary, depending on entry numbers and event set up to ensure performances are contested as per [the guidelines](#).
- Dramatic entertainment: Programs should express intense emotional connection and investment in the music, choreography and theme concept through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions. The entire gamut of emotions may be expressed including intense joy and/or introspectiveness. Dramatic programs should not be depressing. Even if the emotion is sadness, there should be an enlivened feeling given to the audience.
- Light entertainment: Programs should express a carefree concept or storyline designed to uplift and entertain the audience through related skating movements, gestures and physical actions.
- Duets: Theatrical/artistic performances by any competitors.
- Mini production ensembles: Theatrical performances by three to seven competitors.
- Production ensembles: Theatrical performances by eight to 30 skaters. Theater On Ice teams are eligible as production ensembles. NOTE: Skaters may enter only one each duet, mini production or production event.

## SHOWCASE EVENTS

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Basic 1-6	Elements only from Basic 1-6 curriculum	May not have passed any higher than Basic 6 level.	Time: 1:00 max.
Pre-Free Skate-Free Skate 6/ Beginner/High Beginner/ Adult 1-6/ Adult Beginner/Adult High Beginner	3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop.	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate or free dance tests.	Time: 1:30 max.
No Test	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must not have passed Pre-Preliminary Free Skate or any Free Dance tests.	Time: 1:30 max.
Pre-Preliminary	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary May not have passed any free dance test.	Time: 1:30 max.
Preliminary	No prescribed or restricted elements.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze Free Skate or Free Dance test. See National Showcase guidelines for more specific information regarding adults.	Time: 1:40 max.

# SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT COMPETE USA at Terry Conners Rink

## ENTRY FORM

Information available at [www.skatescsc.com](http://www.skatescsc.com) or at Terry Conners Rink, Closing Date - February 24, 2020

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ USFS LTS USA # or USFS # \_\_\_\_\_

Home Club/Skating School \_\_\_\_\_ Coach's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Test Passed \_\_\_\_\_

**ELEMENTS (No Music) Events**  
**\$60.00**

Snowplow Sam	_____
Basic 1	_____
Basic 2	_____
Basic 3	_____
Basic 4	_____
Basic 5	_____
Basic 6	_____
Pre-Free Skate	_____
Free Skate 1	_____
Free Skate 2	_____
Free Skate 3	_____
Free Skate 4	_____
Free Skate 5	_____
Free Skate 6	_____

**PROGRAMS (With Music) Events**  
**\$60.00**

Basic 3	_____
Basic 4	_____
Basic 5	_____
Basic 6	_____
Pre-Free Skate	_____
Free Skate 1	_____
Free Skate 2	_____
Free Skate 3	_____
Free Skate 4	_____
Free Skate 5	_____
Free Skate 6	_____

**SHOWCASE: \$60.00**

Basic 3-6	_____
Pre-Free Skate to FS 6	_____
Beginner/High Beg	_____
No Test	_____
Pre-Preliminary	_____
Preliminary	_____

**Combined Price for Basic Skills and Free Skate Levels:**  
**One Elements Event and One Program Event at the same level \$80.00**

**Excel Compulsory Moves**

**\$80.00**

Excel Beginner	_____
Excel High Beginner	_____
Excel Pre-Preliminary	_____
Excel Preliminary	_____

**Excel Free Skate Program**

**\$80.00**

Excel Beginner	_____
Excel High Beginner	_____
Excel Pre-Preliminary	_____
Excel Preliminary	_____
Excel Preliminary Plus	_____

**Combined Price for Excel Compulsory and Excel Free Skate Programs:**  
**One Compulsory Event and One Program Event at the same level \$110.00**

**Well Balanced Compulsory Moves:**

**\$80.00**

No Test	_____
Pre-Preliminary	_____
Preliminary	_____

**Well Balanced Free Skate Program:**

**\$80.00**

No Test	_____
Pre-Preliminary	_____
Preliminary	_____

**Combined Price for Well Balanced Compulsory and Well Balanced Free Skate Programs:**  
**One Compulsory Event and One Program Event at the same level \$110.00**

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELLED.

**Make check payable to Skating Club of Southern CT.**

Mail to Helaine Walker  
Skating Club of Southern CT  
Attn: Green  
54 Parkway Road  
Bronxville, NY 10708  
no later than  
February 24, 2020

**Certification of Competitor: The competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family hold Skating Club of Southern Connecticut, Terry Conners Skating School, and Terry Conners Rink harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.**

Parent/Guardian Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

Instructor Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

Program Director/Club Officer\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_