



2012 Synchro Illinois Synchronized Skating Competition

This event is proud to participate in the Midwestern Synchronized Skating Challenge Series. Results of this event for participating teams will be reported to U.S. Figure Skating for calculation of the series results.

The Skating Council of Illinois will host our 1st Annual Synchro Illinois Competition at the Arctic Ice Arena, 10700 160th Street in Orland Park, IL 60467-5696, on Saturday, January 21st, 2012.

Applications: All applications must be postmarked by November 21, 2011. Each team must submit a typed list of all team members, including alternates, names, birth dates, and U. S. Figure Skating numbers. Use the enclosed team roster forms. **There will be a maximum number of entries allowed in each division and once that limit is reached, teams may be placed on a wait list for entry into the competition.** Your team will be notified of its placement/status on the wait list.

Please mail all Entry forms and your check to:

Pegg Hislop
1061 Augustana Drive
Naperville, IL 60565

Fees:

IJS Division Teams: Entry fee is \$125 per team plus \$23 per competitor, including alternates.

Non-IJS Divisions: Entry fee is \$120 per team plus \$22 per competitor, including alternates.

Beginner Division: Entry fee is \$50 per team, plus \$5 per competitor.

General Rules: Synchro Illinois is sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted under the rules set forth in the 2012 edition of the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook and this announcement. Particular note should be taken of these sections:

- Rule 3080: Eligibility to compete
- Rule 1450: Events to be skated
- Rules 4660-4791: Requirements for each level
- Rule 3530: Duration and Warm-up Periods of Synchronized Team Skating
- Rule 3560: Clothing - Synchronized Team Skating
 - Rule 3562: Adornments on the costumes of Junior and Senior Synchronized Teams
 - Rule 3564: The use of hair pins and bobbi pins is prohibited while skating on a US Synchronized Team.

Liability: U.S. Figure Skating, The Skating Council of Illinois, and the Arctic Ice Arena, accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in these championships. This is in accordance with Rule 3222 of the 2012 or current edition of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

Judging System: The ISU judging system (IJS) will be used for collegiate, adult, intermediate, novice, junior and senior events. All other events will be judged using the 6.0 judging system.

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



SECTION 1: BASIC SKILLS / BEGINNER EVENTS

For all events: No skaters may have passed higher than the preliminary test in any discipline, and the majority of the team must be "no test."

"The purpose for the competition is to promote a FUN, introductory competitive experience for the beginning skater."

A. Basic Skills Beginner 1

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9 on the preceding July 1.

Program duration: 1 ½ - 2minutes +/- 10 sec.

Required elements:

- a. **Circle:** 1 circle, include a 2-foot turn and a forward inside and/or forward outside edge glide.
- b. **Line:** Cover the ice and include only forward skating skills.
- c. **Block:** Cover the ice and include only one configuration.
- d. **Wheel:** A 4-spoke wheel with backward pumps.
- e. **Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 2-foot glide at the point of intersection.

RESTRICTIONS:

- No additional elements allowed.
- Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand.
- No changes of direction and traveling within elements.
- No steps or moves in Basic 6 or higher.

B. Basic Skills Beginner 2

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be 9 – 11 years old on the preceding July 1.

Program duration: 1 ½ - 2minutes +/- 10 sec.

Required elements:

- a. **Circle:** 1 circle, include the combination move* from Basic 8.
- b. **Line:** Cover the ice may include both forward and backward skating skills.
- c. **Block:** Cover the ice and include 1 or 2 configurations.
- d. **Wheel:** Wheel of choice with backward pumps.
- e. **Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 2-foot or 1-foot glide at the point of intersection.

RESTRICTIONS:

- No additional elements allowed.
- Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand.
- No changes of direction and traveling within elements.
- No steps or moves in Free Skate 2 or higher.

C. Basic Skills Beginner 3

A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be at least 12 years old on the preceding July 1

Program duration: 2–2 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.

Required elements:

- a. **Circle:** 1 circle, include the combination move* from Basic 8.
- b. **Line:** Cover the ice must include both forward and backward skating skills.
- c. **Block:** Cover the ice and include 2 or 3 configurations.
- d. **Wheel:** Wheel of choice.
- e. **Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 1-foot glide or forward lunge at the point of intersection.

RESTRICTIONS:

- No changes or direction and traveling within elements.

* The combination move is element C in Basic 8: Two forward crossovers into a forward inside mohawk, step down or cross behind, step into a backward crossover, step forward onto a forward inside edge glide. It does not need to be repeated, and does not need to be done in both directions.

These levels are part of the U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills program. Basic Skills competition guidelines will be used. There will be no more than 6 teams in each group, and judges must only be members of U.S. Figure Skating at least 16 years old. If there are not enough entries, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 can be combined, at the discretion of the chief referee.

SECTION 2: U.S. FIGURE SKATING STANDARD COMPETITIVE EVENTS

- A. Preliminary:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. All skaters must be under 12. The majority of the team must be under 10 on the preceding July 1.
Program duration: 2 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4710
- B. Pre-Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12 on the preceding July 1.
Program duration: 2 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4760
- C. Open Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the Pre-Preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4770
- D. Juvenile:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 13 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the Preliminary moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4700
- E. Intermediate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 18 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the Pre-juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4690
- F. 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, on the preceding July 1 and have passed the Juvenile moves in the field test.
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4680
- G. Junior:** A team of 12 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 12 and under 19 on the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the Intermediate 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 4670
- H. Senior:** A team of 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 14 on the preceding July 1 and have passed the Novice 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 4660
- I. Open Collegiate** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must 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 4790

- J. Collegiate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must 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 4720
- K. Open Adult:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of skaters must be 19 years or older on the preceding July 1.
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4780
- L. Masters:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be at least 25, and the majority of the team must be at least 35 on the preceding July 1.
Program duration: 3 minutes.
Well balanced program: Rule 4740
- M. Adult:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. All skaters must be at least 21 on the preceding July 1. 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 ½ minutes
Well balanced program: Rule 4730

Note to teams regarding moves in the field test requirements:

Minimum moves in the field test levels are not being required at this competition.

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 4660 – 4791, in addition to the statement above.

| Level Athlete is Skating In | Preliminary | Pre - Juvenile | Open Juvenile | Juvenile | Intermediate | Novice | Junior | Senior | Open Collegiate | Collegiate | Open Adult | Masters | Adult |
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| 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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Masters | | | | | | | | | | | | | X |
| Adult | | | | | | | | X | | X | | X | |

Awards: All members of teams placing first through fourth will be awarded medals. Trophies will only be awarded to the first place team in the Junior and Senior combined events.

Music: Rules governing music selection can be found in the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook, rules 2660-4791.

Only CDs (standard Compact Disk format) will be accepted.

- *CDs: Must be clearly marked with name, event entered and the music length and contained in a hard sided "jewel" case.*

Due to compatibility and reliability reasons no music may be submitted on re-recordable "CDRW" discs.

Competition music must be turned in at the registration desk and must be submitted no later than one hour prior to the event in which the team is skating. All music must be picked up at the completion of the competition. CDs will not be mailed back to competitors.

Each team must have an additional copy of their music available for their official practice session. Teams must also have an extra copy available at rink side during the actual competition event. The Skating Council of Illinois will not accept responsibility for damage or loss of music but will take every precaution to ensure their safety.

Practice Ice: If available, unused competition ice will be sold for practice ice after the close of entries and when the tentative schedule is released. Priority will be given to out-of-town teams. If you are interested in purchasing practice ice please indicate it on the application and you will be notified of availability.

Registration: Registration will be available from 6:30 AM on Saturday through the end of the competition. The coach or team manager for each team must register and pick up their team packet no later than one hour prior to the time of the team's locker room assignment. Please make sure that you print legibly or type all email addresses for the contact person and the coach. The confirmation letter and tentative schedule will be emailed to the contact person and primary coach listed on the entry form.

Videotaping: The competition will be video taped by Star2 Productions. Information on Team DVD's will be available on our WEB site.

Souvenirs: Competition pins and programs will be available for purchase at the competition. Vendors offering a variety of items will be available.

Admission: Each team will receive two credentials for their managers. A \$5 admission fee will be charged at the door. Children 5 and under are free.

Concessions: Food and beverages will be available for purchase in the arena. No outside food or drink will be allowed in the arena.

Accommodations: A list of area hotels will be available on our WEB site.

Parking: Parking is available at the ice arena. Bus parking will off-site. No buses will be allowed to park at the Ice Arena. Additional parking will be available with shuttle bus service.

Competition Schedule: The competition will be emailed to contact persons identified on the application form.

Contact Information: For questions, please contact the following individuals:

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| Competition Co-Chairs: | Pegg Hislop | phislop@msn.com |
| | May Wiza | mayfsc@aol.com |
| Chief Referee: | Bob Bauer | bob.bauer@illinois.gov |
| Accountant: | Edward Mann | Edward.mann@comcast.net |
| WEB site: | | Synchroillinois.com |



2012 SYNCHRO ILLINOIS

Saturday, January 21, 2012

ENTRY FORM 1: Team Information

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| Team name: | | U.S. Figure Skating #: | |
| Club: (if applicable) | | | |
| Team contact person: | | | |
| Daytime phone number: | | E-mail: | |
| Address: | | City | State / ZIP |
| Primary coach: | | U.S. Figure Skating # | |
| Daytime phone number: | | E-mail: | |
| Number of skaters: | | Number of alternates: | |

Please check the level/event(s) entered:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BS Beginner 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Open collegiate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BS Beginner 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate | <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BS Beginner 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Novice | <input type="checkbox"/> Open adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior short program | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior free skate | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior short program | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior free skate | |

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| Entry Fee: Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ IJS Division | \$ 125 per team / event |
| \$ _____ for _____ competitors | \$ 23 per skater / event |
| \$ _____ for _____ non-IJS team events. | \$ 120 per team / event |
| \$ _____ for _____ competitors. | \$ 22 per skater / event |
| \$ _____ for _____ beginner events | \$ 50 per team / beginner event |
| \$ _____ for _____ competitors | \$ 5 per skater / beginner event |

Checks should be made payable to:

Skating Council of Illinois

Please send all forms and fees to:

Pegg Hislop
 1061 Augustana Drive
 Naperville, IL 60565

All fees and entry forms must be
Received by:

November 21, 2011

Our team would be interested
in an off-ice critique.

Yes No

Our team would be interested
in Practice Ice.

Yes No

Note: Team managers, please carry proof of age and birth date for all competitors.

Note for collegiate / open collegiate teams: Please bring with you a copy of the collegiate certification page, or alternate proof of your athletes' student status, as of the entry deadline.

Note for beginner teams: Beginner teams may choose to represent either a full member club or a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills school / program.

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ENTRY FORM 2: Team Entry Form

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| Team Name: | Level: |
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| SKATER NAMES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER Last name first | Birth date | U.S. Figure Skating #** | Highest MITF test passed * |
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| Alt. 1.*** | | | |
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| Alt. 3.*** | | | |
| Alt. 4.*** | | | |

* Required for teams entering open juvenile, juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior, senior, collegiate and adult. Also required for beginner teams. **Skaters on beginner teams are not permitted to have passed higher than preliminary, and the majority of the team must be no-test.**

** Skaters on beginner teams may be either full U.S. Figure Skating members or Basic Skills members.

***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.

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ENTRY FORM 3: Liability Waiver / Certification by Club Officer

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| Team Name: | Level: |
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U.S. Figure Skating and the clubs or organizers of competitions undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters or officials. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents and guardians and officials shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Skating, the club hosting the competition, and against its officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

| Skater's name in alphabetical order | Skater signature or parent / guardian (if skater is under 18) |
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| Alt. 2 | |
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| Alt. 4 | |

Club officer or skating school director: *All of the skaters listed on the team entry form are to the best of my knowledge, eligible members in good standing and eligible to compete under U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada rules.*

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| Print Name: | Signature |
| Title: | |
| Club or Basic Skills program name: | |

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ENTRY FORM 4: Collegiate Certification page – for collegiate and open collegiate teams **ONLY**.

Collegiate and open collegiate teams must comply with Rule 4720 (collegiate) or Rule 4790 (open collegiate). Athletes must be considered full-time students by the college or university they attend, as of the entry deadline for this event. Use a separate form for each institution the members attend, collect all of the forms and send them together. Students may also choose another method to prove their student status, such as a print out of an unofficial transcript or a letter from the registrar.

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| Team Name: | U.S. Figure Skating Number: |
| Level: | |

| LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | STUDENT ID NUMBER |
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REGISTRAR:

I certify that the students listed above are considered full-time students by the following institution:

Name of Registrar: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____