



Cranberry Open
August 9-13, 2022
The Skating Club of Boston
750 University Avenue, Norwood, MA 02062
www.scboston.org/cranberry
[Registration Link](#)

The Cranberry Open 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 that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and who are currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook.

NATIONAL QUALIFYING SERIES (NQS)

This competition is approved for the 2022-23 National Qualifying Series (NQS) in singles and pairs, Juvenile – Senior.

For the 2022-2023 season, the Competitions Committee has proposed a National Qualifying Season combining the stand-alone October qualifying competitions, Regional (singles) and Sectional (pairs and ice dance) Challenges, into approved series competitions from mid-July to late September allowing athletes to advance to the Sectional Singles, U.S. Pairs and U.S. Ice Dance Finals in November 2022 and culminating with the 2023 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships and National Development Camp in January 2023 (San Jose, California).

Beginning July 1, athletes/teams wishing to participate in the qualifying season may register via the [EMS Series Application](#). The Series Application is the key requirement for qualifying registration AND replaces regional/sectional registration from July 15 – September 1. All interested athletes (including potential and known byes) MUST complete this step.

Without a completed/paid series application prior to the start of this competition, the scores will NOT count towards [National Qualifying Series Standings](#) – no exceptions.



For additional information, review the NQS Athlete Handbook [here](#).

Questions can be directed to events@usfigureskating.org.

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL

Test Level: competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering or one level higher.

Age restrictions/requirements: Singles free skate events (well-balanced program) have the following requirements:

Juvenile: Girls – 12 years or younger; Boys – 13 years or younger

Intermediate must be under the age of 18

Skaters entering pre-juvenile and lower events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

If there are large entries for National Qualifying Series (Juvenile – Senior) events, the Referee may choose to break the event into two or more seeded groups per the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. Athletes will remain in the same groups for each applicable segment. **There will be NO consolation or final rounds for NQS.**

Please note, there will be NO segment only competitive events for NQS levels (i.e. Intermediate Men's Short Program, only Intermediate Men's Combined).

EMS COMPETITION REGISTRATION

Entries will be accepted via [EMS](#) with credit card only.

Each transaction includes a 3% credit card fee.

Registration Deadline: 07/10/2022 at 11:59PM ET

Late Registration Deadline: 07/17/2022 at 11:59PM ET + \$50 Late Fee

Registration may close early if entries exceed our limit

1. Go to <https://m.usfigureskating.org>
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or if Compete USA events are offered, your Learn to Skate USA member number and password
 - a. If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at memberservices@usfigureskating.org.
3. Click EMS then "Competition Registration"
4. Choose Cranberry Open from the list of nonqualifying competitions.
 - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

FOREIGN SKATERS

Non-U.S. skaters intending to register for this competition must set up a non-member account prior to registering for the competition ([click here for HOW TO](#)). This can be done by choosing the "Create Account (Non-Member)" option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

Note: foreign athletes may register and compete in NQS events but are not eligible to participate in the series (and receive a standing/score).

MANDATORY ATHLETES

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e. synchro, dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one minor athlete must complete SafeSport training.

Minor Athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be SafeSport compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email skatesafe@usfigureskating.org for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

SCHEDULE

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries on EMS. All participants will be notified via email once available.

FACILITIES

The competition will be held at 750 University Avenue, Norwood, MA 02062. Please visit scboston.org for more information. The Tenley E. Albright Performance Center and West Rink will be used for competition and practice ice, and the East Rink will be used for practice ice only. The Performance Center is Olympic size (200' x 100') and the West Rink and East Rink are NHL size (200' x 85'). The facility has plenty of seating, the 1240 Café and Performance Center concessions, and Home Ice skate shop. The Performance Center and West Rink have no hockey lines or glass. The boards in the West Rink are 24 inches high.

EMS COMPETITION PORTAL | MUSIC UPLOAD

DEADLINE: 08/02/2022 at 11:59PM ET

Late Submission Fee: \$25.00

Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to [EMS](#) no later than 08/02/22 at 11:59PM ET. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$25 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org



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All music must meet the following criteria. If you have questions about what format you have, please contact your coach and get a new version of your music that meets the criteria listed below.

MUSIC CRITERIA:

- File Format: MP3
- Bit Rate: 192 kbps or higher and Sample Rate: 44,100 kHz
- This will be verified by the music chair and they may request you upload a corrected file.
- Leaders and trailers (the silence or "dead space" before and after the actual start and end of the program music) may not exceed two (2) seconds. We prefer that there be NO leaders or trailers at all. Excessive leaders and trailers may disrupt the playing of the music during competition.

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cellphone and it must be immediately available rink side whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required to be attached. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode, and volume turned to maximum.

EMS COMPETITION PORTAL | PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC)

DEADLINE: 08/02/2022 at 11:59PM ET

Late Submission Fee: \$25.00

Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in [EMS](#) no later than 08/02/2022 at 11:59PM ET. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$25.00 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

PPC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

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LIABILITY

U.S. Figure Skating and The Skating Club of Boston 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.

ONSITE CHECK-IN

Registration will be open at least one hour before the first event of the competition, and run through the last event of the final day of competition. The registration table will be located in the lobby of The Skating Club of Boston. Additional details regarding the check-in process will be available on the [event website](#).

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS

Locker rooms and changing areas at U.S. Figure Skating competitive events are for athletes only, will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made

for athletes 11 years old and younger that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SkateSafe Handbook (both found on the [U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe](#) page).

EMS PRACTICE ICE

Unofficial practice ice (UPI) is not included in your entry fee and can only be purchased through the [EMS Skater Portal](#). Practice ice will be held at The Skating Club of Boston (Norwood, MA) and will be limited.

Pre-Purchase: Deadline is July 18 at 11:59PM Eastern

Session Selection: July 21 at 12:00PM Eastern – July 29 at 11:59PM Eastern

Open Sales: July 30 at 12:00PM Eastern – end of competition

EMS (SKATER) PRACTICE ICE RESOURCES

- **Skater:** [Pre-Purchase](#) and [Selection | Open Sales](#)

PHOTO/VIDEO

KrPhotogs Photography will be taking photos and videos at the event. Each Cranberry Open competitor will receive a digital download of photos and video, included in their entry fee. A live stream will be available, and details will be shared with competitors via email and on event website. Flash photography is not permitted at any time

Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited.

AWARDS

Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishes for all events. An awards schedule will be posted.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

If necessary, official notices will be posted on the event website: [event website](#) during the competition and/or sent out via email to registered participants. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and 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. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

Results will be posted online and a link will be available on the website and at the competition.

TEST CREDIT

Skaters that meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit packet by submitting a request form, along with a \$25.00 administrative fee. Request forms can be submitted to registration prior to the end of the last event of the competition. Test credit packets will be emailed, as soon as possible, following the competition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL COACHES: To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the compliance requirements listed below and verified by the U.S. Figure Skating. Each skater can list up to two coaches on their EMS profile.

Coach/Choreographer (domestic/non-foreign):

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

Learn to Skate USA Coach:

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member OR Learn to Skate USA instructor membership
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check. *
- The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training. *
- The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed OR U.S. Figure Skating compliance coach (details above)

* Accessible via [U.S. Figure Skating Members Only Website](#):
[www.usfsaonline.org](#) Person Icon [or](#) Account Member Profile Compliance

Foreign Coach/Choreographer:

- ✓ Required to present the LOC with a letter from their federation verifying they are a member in good standing.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit the [Coach Compliance](#) page.

VOLUNTEER INFO

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to events@scboston.org.

CRITIQUES

As an approved National Qualifying Series competition, no critiques will be offered at this event – for any level or discipline.

CONTACT INFO

If you have questions, please contact Leslie Graham and Kelly Flaherty at The Skating Club of Boston by emailing events@scboston.org. Please allow 24 hours for a response.

- Chief Referee: Alexander Enzmann
- Chief Accountant: Colleen Newman
- Technical Accountant: Alan Heinold
- Chief Music Coordinator: Allen Krawiec
- LOC Chairs: Leslie Graham and Kelly Flaherty

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please refer to the [competition website](#) for additional hotels, as well as other information pertaining to the competition and local area.

NATIONAL QUALIFYING SERIES				
		1 st EVENT	2 nd EVENT	3 rd + EVENT
Juvenile Singles Free Skate	IJS	\$200.00		
Intermediate – Senior Singles Combined (SP & FS)	IJS	\$350.00		
Juvenile & Intermediate Pairs Free Skate	IJS	\$220.00		
Novice – Senior Pairs Combined (SP & FS)	IJS	\$375.00		

Each skater will receive their photo download and video download, as part of their entry fee

U.S. FIGURE SKATING EVENTS				
SINGLES	IJS/6.0	1 st EVENT	2 nd EVENT	3 rd + EVENT
Well Balanced Free Skate (Preliminary – Pre-Juvenile)	IJS	\$200.00		
Well Balanced Free Skate (No Test – Pre-Preliminary)	6.0	\$150.00		

Each skater will receive their photo download and video download, as part of their entry fee