

2024 SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ANNOUNCEMENT

Dates:	December 1-2, 2023
Location:	The Glacier
	45 Olympic Drive
	Mount Pearl, NL
	A1N 4K3
Ice Surface:	200x85
Hosted By:	Skate Canada Newfoundland and Labrador
Sanctioned By:	Skate Canada

EVENT CONTACT INFORMATION

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PURPOSE OF SECTIONALS

Sectionals identify the top skaters in each province for advancement to the next round of qualifying Events ultimately leading to the Canadian Figure Skating Championships. Sectionals is a skater's first exposure to competitive stream competition, and is to be organized from a technical perspective as closely as possible to the Canadian Championships in terms of rules and competitive experience.

Each Sectionals Event is the property of Skate Canada and may be sponsored locally in accordance with Skate Canada's Marketing Guidelines. The planning and execution of each Sectional Championship is delegated to the Section and/or its host committee with support from Skate Canada nationally, and the Event is under the technical supervision of a technical representative assigned by the Section.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Skate Canada Newfoundland and Labrador Sectional Event will be conducted in accordance with the Skate Canada Qualifying Competition Handbook and the CPC Regulations for specific rules governing qualifying Events and Events run in the CPC System. Discipline specific Pre-Event technical packages, ISU Communications and clarifications should also be referred to in preparation for the upcoming season.

Rules governing Sectional championships also apply to any sub-sectional or other sectional elimination rounds unless otherwise stated in this Announcement.

If there are fewer entries than the normal quota allotted to each section in any Sectional competition, the section may elect to cancel the competition and may approve the entry of the relevant competitors to the Skate Canada Challenge competition of the same category (if applicable).

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

Entrants in Canadian Championships Events, or qualifying Events for Canadian Championships shall:

- (1) **ELIGIBLE PERSON STATUS**: Be eligible persons as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book
- (2) **SKATE CANADA REGISTRANT**: Be a registrant in good standing of the Association.
- (3) **CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP:** Be Canadian citizens within the meaning of the Citizenship Act, RSC 1985. If the individual is not a Canadian citizen, such individual must have permanent resident status and have resided in Canada for at least one year prior to the date of the Championships they wish to enter. Also, if the entrant is of legal age, the entrant must file a declaration to indicate that he intends in good faith to become a Canadian citizen. If the entrant is an alien minor, he and the living parents (or guardians if both parents are deceased) must have also filed a sworn statement with the Chief Executive Officer of Skate Canada that said minor intends to become a citizen as soon as legally possible.



In the case of a pair or an ice dance couple, at least one partner must be a Canadian citizen. The other partner may be a citizen or resident of a country of any other ISU Member and need not reside in Canada.

All Non-Canadian citizens interested in competing in the current seasons' Skate Canada Qualifying Competitions are required to complete the Non-Canadian Citizen Application. To be eligible to compete, you must present an "Acceptance" letter from the Skate Canada National Office when you register for entry into the seasons' Qualifying Competition.

More information on "Non-Canadian Citizens: Eligibility to Compete" can be found on the <u>SKATE</u> <u>CANADA INFO CENTRE</u>.

(4) ANTI-DOPING POLICY AND DOPING CONTROL POLICY: Agree to be subject to Association rules and regulations regarding doping controls, on an announced or unannounced basis, as determined by the Board of Directors from time to time. Such rules and regulations shall be entitled "Skate Canada Anti-Doping Policy and Doping Control Program" and shall be made available to potential entrants upon request to their Section or the National Office. (See Skate Canada Policies and Procedures.)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

- (1) ASSESSMENT PREREQUISITES: Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and Events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the assessments as listed in the <u>Skate Canada Rule Book</u> Competition Program Requirements for each discipline prior to attending the Championships. A skater may also be considered qualified having passed a higher assessment or parts thereof as long as the minimum assessment requirement is fulfilled.
- (2) **AGE PREREQUISITES**: Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and Events leading to Sectionals shall meet the age requirements to compete as listed in the <u>Skate Canada Rule Book</u> Competition Program Requirements for each discipline.
- (3) **COMPETING IN SINGLES AT SECTIONALS**: A skater may compete in Singles Events only in the Championships of the Section in which his home club/school is a member.
- (4) **COMPETING IN PAIR OR DANCE AT SECTIONALS**: A pair or dance team composed of skaters having clubs/schools in different Sections may enter the group Event of the Sectional Championships of any one, but only one, of the Sections represented by its members. The Chair of each Section concerned must be advised as to which championship the group will enter.



ENTRY INFORMATION

Event Registration: Registration will be available online at <u>https://skatenf.uplifterinc.com</u> beginning at NOON on **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**. The deadline for registration is **Thursday, November 2, 2023**. All registration and payment must be completed online. Methods of payment include: VISA, MasterCard and Discover Card. *Note: PrePaid VISA/MasterCard gift cards are also accepted online. **LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

REFUND POLICY: Refund requests must be made before **Thursday, November 2, 2023**. After this date, all refunds will require a medical note and are subject to a \$25 administration fee (per category).

Entry Fees:	PreJuvenile – Juvenile Singles:	\$120/entry
	PreNovice – Senior Singles:	\$195/entry
	PreJuvenile Ice Dance:	\$140/team
	Juvenile – Senior Ice Dance:	\$220/team
	PreJuvenile – Juvenile Pairs	\$140/team
	PreNovice – Senior Pairs:	\$220/team
	Special Olympics Singles:	\$120/entry
	STAR 4 U10 & STAR 5 U10 Singles:	\$120/entry
	STAR 6 - Gold Singles:	\$120/entry
	STAR Ice Dance:	\$140/team

NOTES

- Practice ice will be available for qualifying categories only (PreNovice & higher)
- In addition, an **\$8.00 Officials and Technology Development fee** per skater entered is charged.
- Registration includes one digital action photo, from Jared Reid Studios. Information on how to redeem the photo will be sent to participants following the Event.

<u>SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS & SKATE CANADA</u> <u>CHALLENGE</u>

EVENTS - SKATE CANADA NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR SECTIONALS

The following Events will be held at all Skate Canada Sectionals: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance in each of the four categories – Senior, Junior, Novice, Pre-Novice. All specifications at Sectional Championships will be identical to the corresponding Events at Skate Canada Challenge and the Canadian Figure Skating Championships.

Each category consists of two parts:

Short Program and Free Program for Singles and Pairs Pattern Dance or Short Dance and Free Dance for Ice Dance



Skate Canada Newfoundland and Labrador Sectionals will also include the following Events: Men's Singles, Women's Singles in the additional categories: Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile & STAR 6-Gold, Special Olympics Singles in the categories: Level 1-6, and STAR 4 and STAR 5 Singles in the age category: U10.

Refer to the <u>Skate Canada Rule Book</u> < Competition Program Requirements for each discipline.

REGISTRATION FOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

(1) **REGISTRATION**: Competitors must register for the competition before their official practice session, prior to the first portion of their category. Registration for skaters, officials and coaches will commence 30 minutes prior to the start of the first practice or 60 minutes prior to the start of the category, if practices are not included.

ACCREDITATION FOR COACHES

In order to receive accreditation from Skate Canada at Sectionals, Skate Canada professional coaches must meet the following conditions:

- > Meet the NCCP Requirements* for the level of athlete attending with
- > Be a current Professional Coaching Member of Skate Canada, In Good Standing

Refer to the <u>Coach Accreditation Policy for Skate Canada Qualifying Events</u> for details on NCCP Requirements

Two coaches per entry will be accredited. Only two people will be allowed at ice level – determined by the skater/team.

JUDGING SYSTEM

The Cumulative Points Calculation (CPC) Judging System will be used for all Event categories.

MUSIC

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights societies.

Competitors who have music composed specifically for their programs either wholly or in part, are responsible for obtaining a written release from the composer for the use of such music on radio and/or television or appropriate clearance from the performing rights societies.

All music must be submitted electronically with online registration. Any music files not submitted with online registration will result in the skater being withdrawn from the Event. Please ensure correct music files are uploaded. Music file changes and mislabeled music files will be charged a \$25 administrative fee. Skaters/Coaches should have a USB copy of music available at ice level, during the Event. CD's, phones, or other personal devices will NOT be accepted.



MUSIC UPLOAD INFORMATION:

- Music must be submitted for <u>all</u> categories/segments (ie: short program, free program etc.).
- Music files <u>must</u> be MP3.
- Music uploads <u>must</u> be named in the following format: First Name Last Name Category Program Type
- First and Last Name **must** match the athlete's name as written on their Uplifter profile.

Category Program Type includes:

- Category (ie: STAR 5)
- Discipline (ie: Women/Girls, Men/Boys)
- Segment (ie: Short Program or Free Program, if applicable)
- Age category (ie: U10, if applicable)

Examples:

John Smith - STAR 5 Men 13&Over Suzie Smith - PreNovice Women Short Program

MEDALS

Medals will be presented on-site. In the case of only one entry in a category, an exhibition shall be performed but no medal shall be awarded.

ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate Canada, the Newfoundland and Labrador Section, and the volunteer team undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in these Championships, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competitions and to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the association, the Section, the Skate Canada, the volunteer team and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

LIVE STREAMING / PHOTOGRAPHY

The Event may be photographed and/or live streamed. By virtue of your registration for the competition, you are consenting to being included in the live streaming/photography of this Event. You release Skate Canada NL, its officers, and employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the video & audio recordings. By attending and competing at the competition, you waive any right to inspect or approve any video or audio recordings taken by Skate Canada NL. If you do not wish to have your skate photographed or live streamed, inform the Skate Canada NL Section Office. We cannot guarantee that you will not be photographed or live streamed, but we will do our best to accommodate the request.

CAMERA POLICY

Flash photography is not permitted. Skate Canada would encourage you to not use cameras or video equipment during Skate Canada organized Events out of respect for the safety of competing athletes.