



Skate Canada Newfoundland and Labrador

ANNOUNCEMENT

2024 ATLANTIC REGIONAL SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS & ELIZABETH SWAN MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL COMPETITION

Dates: January 27, 2024

Location: Paradise Double Ice Complex, Paradise, NL

In Conjunction With: Skate Canada NL and Mount Pearl-Paradise SC

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EVENT PHILOSOPHY

The Regional Synchronized Skating Championships are part of the Skate Canada qualifying system. These events are planned, managed, and executed by Skate Canada Sections on a rotational basis, in conjunction with a local volunteer organizing team.

The purpose of this competition is to provide a developmental and competitive experience for synchronized skating teams which allows them the opportunity to qualify for Skate Canada events in Novice, Intermediate, Open, Junior, and Senior categories. The top team in each of the five qualifying categories in every Region may advance. Additional entries are allotted to Regions based on their teams' placement at last year's National Championships and Regional membership sizes.

In selecting host sites for these Championships, every attempt is made to move the event across each region in a regular cycle, to balance the costs faced by participants from year to year as much as possible, and to allow synchronized skating to be presented in various communities in each section.

In addition to experiencing the challenges and personal growth involved in competing at this level, one of the features of this competitive system is to allow skaters an opportunity to experience the cultural diversity of Canada through exploration of the area holding the championships.

The focus for skaters at this event is not only on qualifying, but on the whole experience: self-satisfaction in achieving competitive goals and meeting competitors from across the Region and experiencing the camaraderie of traveling as part of a team.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Atlantic Regional Synchronized Skating Championships will be conducted in accordance with Skate Canada rules and regulations for qualifying Synchronized Skating events. The Local Organizing Committee for this event is the Mount Pearl-Paradise Skating Club of the Newfoundland and Labrador Section.

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ARENA TO BE USED

Paradise Double Ice Complex

68 McNamara Road, Paradise, NL A1L 1Y5

Ice Surface Size: 200 ft x 85 ft



ACCOMMODATIONS

Skaters, team managers, coaches and parents will be required to book accommodations directly with the hotel of their choice as required.

REGISTRATION

All registration will be completed on the Skate Canada Newfoundland and Labrador registration website: <https://skatenf.uplifterinc.com>. See **Appendix A** for detailed registration instructions. **Late Entries will not be accepted.

Registration Opens: **Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 12:00PM (NL)**

Registration Closes: **Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 11:59PM (NL)**

Registration will only be accepted from teams registered with Skate Canada for the current season. Clubs/Team Managers are responsible to ensure skaters and teams are registered with Skate Canada.

REGISTRATION FEES

Qualifying Teams (Novice, Gold (Intermediate), Open, Junior, Senior): \$400 + \$38 per skater *Includes two programs and official practices.

Non-Qualifying Teams (STAR 4, STAR 6 (Juvenile), STAR 8 (Pre-Novice), Adult I, Adult II, Adult III): \$200 + \$28 per skater *Includes one program.

Refund Policy: Registration fees will be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the registration deadline. There will be a \$25.00 administration fee applied to all refunds. After the closing date of entries, there will be no refunds given for any reason.

Payments must be made with online registration. Payment methods include VISA, VISA Debit, Discover, and MasterCard.

VIRTUAL SUBMISSION - Teams from NS, NB, PEI ONLY

Video submissions must be received not later than Wednesday, January 24, 2024. Please contact your Section for information on dates and filming requirements.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION

All teams, coaches and team managers must register on-site. Registration will begin 1 hour prior to the start of the first scheduled practice or event.

Only those skaters whose names appear on the team registration form as team members/alternates will be permitted to skate. Only those skaters whose names are listed on the team registration form for the Regional Synchronized Skating Championships will be permitted to skate in any Skate Canada qualifying events. No substitutions or additions shall be allowed. The number of allowable alternates on each team is four.



ACCREDITATION POLICY

Coaches: In order to receive accreditation at the Regional Synchronized Skating Championships, all coaches must be registered Professional Coaches in good standing with Skate Canada, throughout the event, and must meet the requirements as outlined in the [Skate Canada Accreditation for Events Policy](#). To receive accreditation for non-qualifying categories coaches must be Regional Coach In-Training.

Team Managers and Chaperones: All team managers and chaperones must be current Skate Canada registrants. Two coaches, one team manager and two chaperones, for a total of five people per team, will be accredited. The names and Skate Canada numbers for these accreditations must be included on the Team Summary sheet. Team Summary sheets must be completed using the following survey, by the deadline for online registration: <https://skatecanada.wufoo.com/forms/rsii4lf16ob87i/>

The main coach and one alternate (skater) will stand at the entrance to the ice, and the team manager and other alternates in the exit area (Kiss & Cry). The chaperones will be allowed in the dressing rooms ONLY and will not have access to ice level during practice and competition (including Kiss & Cry).

MUSIC

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights society. Teams that have music composed especially for their programs, either in wholly or in part shall be 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 society.

All music must be submitted electronically with online registration. ***Please ensure correct music files are uploaded.*** Music file changes and mislabeled music files will be charged a \$25 administrative fee. Teams/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 files **must** be MP3.
- Music uploads **must** be named in the format: **Home Club-Category-Team Name**

Planned Program Content Sheets: Must be completed using the following survey, by the deadline for online registration: <https://skatecanada.wufoo.com/forms/r1ybrjrr0if7y40/>

AWARDS

Atlantic Regional Championships: The top three placements in each category shall be awarded a prize. If there is only one team entered in a category, an exhibition skate shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded.

Elizabeth Swan Memorial Invitational: The top three placements in each category shall be awarded a prize. In a category where there are less than three entries, then the number of prizes shall equal the number of entries.

Awards will be presented to teams off-ice following the official posting of results. Presentation times will be announced and posted at the Arena. Skaters should wear competition outfits and skates.



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EVENT SCHEDULE

A finalized schedule will be posted on the Event website: [Elizabeth Swan Memorial Synchro – Skate Canada – Newfoundland & Labrador \(skatenl.com\)](https://skatenl.com) as soon as possible following the deadline for entries.

LIABILITY

Skate Canada, Skate NL, and the local organizing committee 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, Skate Canada, the local organizing committee and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

RULES/TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

All events will follow the Synchronized Skating Eligibilities and Technical Requirements as outlined by Skate Canada. Teams are responsible to check the Skate Canada Info Centre for rule updates and changes.

ELIGIBILITY

The Atlantic Regional Synchronized Skating Championships is open to all teams from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador sections, registered with Skate Canada, and meeting the requirements outlined in the description of categories to be held. There is no qualification process to enter the Event.

SINGLE ENTRY TEAMS (Atlantic Regional Championships)

Should a category only have one entry, the team will be given the option to not attend the Regional Championships and will qualify directly to the Synchronized Skating Championships. Single entries will be notified no later than one week following the entry submission deadline and will be given the option to skate an exhibition and be assessed/monitored by a full panel of officials. Detail sheets by official will be provided following the performance in this case. If two or more entries have registered, the event will take place regardless of qualifying entry quotas.

PROBLEMS DURING A PERFORMANCE

The Technical Representative or his/her designate (ice level referee) may ask a team alternate to go on the ice during a performance to retrieve any objects that have dropped on to the ice (hair accessories, etc.) so that a performance does not have to be interrupted and so that there is no danger to the skaters. To this end, it is requested that each team, where possible, have an alternate dressed with skates on and skate guards off, available at the entrance area during the team's performance.



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DRAWS/START ORDERS

A random draw will be used for the first portion of all events and all non-qualifying events. The starting order for the first portion of the event will be available a minimum of 7 days prior to the start of the competition. The drawn starting orders (initial and subsequent) shall also apply for the official practice ice for all parts of the competition (qualifying events only). The start orders for subsequent events for

qualifying categories will be in reverse order of the results of the preceding segment. Start Orders will be posted as soon as possible following the results of the first segment.

CONDUCT OF EVENTS

As per Skate Canada Rules of Sport > Competitions > Conduct of an Event

QUALIFICATIONS TO COMPETE AT THE SKATE CANADA CUP

Teams will qualify for the Skate Canada Cup as per Skate Canada Rules of Sport > Competitions > Synchronized Skating Competitions

APPENDICES

- Appendix A: **Online Registration Instructions**



Skate NL Synchronized Skating Registration Instructions

1. Set up an Account:

- Go to the Skate Canada NL Registration website (<https://skatenf.uplifterinc.com>)
- Click “Login” at the top of the page.
- Follow the instructions under “First Time Registering?” OR login to an existing Skate Canada NL Uplifter TEAM account.
- If creating a new account or adding a new team enter the following:
 - Email Address – Team managers will either:
 - Create a new profile with a unique email address for their team (RECOMMENDED) OR
 - Add the team as a new participant under an existing Skate Canada NL Uplifter profile (login and under “My Account” enter the team as a new participant)
 - NOTE: You should not add team members as individual participants
 - First Name – Enter the “Home Club”
 - Last Name – Enter the “Team Name”
 - If you have created a unique profile for your team, click on “I will be registering myself into programs”.
 - At the bottom of the page click “Yes” to subscribe to all message lists to receive important information/updates regarding the competition.
- Once you have set up the account, you will be brought back to the main page.

2. Complete Team and Skater Registration:

- Click on the event name under the “Registration” tab
- Choose the category or under “Quick Search”, enter your category (ie: STAR 3)
- Click the “Register” button. A box will appear asking you to choose the participant for this program. Ensure this is the team’s name.
- Go to your “Shopping Cart” to complete the registration.
- Click on “Purchase Products” to add the Per Skater Registration.
- Under “Items for Purchase”, choose Synchro Skater Registration enter the number of skaters on the team in the “QTY” box, click “Add”.
- In your Shopping Cart, proceed with payment. Note: You must accept all associated policies to proceed with the registration.
- After you have successfully completed the payment process, you will receive an electronic invoice via email.

If you have any questions regarding online registration, please contact Jennifer Osmond at scnljennifer@sportnl.ca