

Azalea Open

Basic Skills Competition



Hosted By:
Augusta Ice Sports Center
Date: July 12, 2009

Events to take place at:
Augusta Ice Sports Center

1249 Augusta West Parkway
Augusta, GA 30909
706-863-0061 x2

Competition Director: Ashley Hawkins

Competition Application Deadline: June 5, 2009

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BASIC ELEMENTS EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

- Each skater will have the option to perform one element at a time
- A. In the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps) **OR**
- B. Will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee
- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- No music

Snowplow Sam - Tots:

1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip
2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3 in a row
3. Forward snowplow stop
4. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row

Basic 1

1. Forward two foot glide
2. Forward two foot swizzles 6 -8 in a row
3. Forward snowplow stop
4. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row

Basic 2

1. Forward one foot glide - either foot
2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line -across width of ice
3. Two foot turn in place forward to backward
4. Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row
5. Moving snowplow stop

Basic 3

Basic 5:

1. Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counterclockwise
2. Backward crossovers 6-8 consecutive - both directions
3. One foot spin - minimum of three revolutions
4. Hockey stop
5. Side Toe hop -either direction

Basic 6:

1. Forward inside three turn - R & L from a standstill
2. Bunny Hop
3. Forward spiral on a straight line - R or L
4. Lunge - R or L
5. T-stop - R or L

Basic 7:

1. Forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R
2. Ballet Jump - either direction
3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise
4. Forward inside pivot

Basic 8:

1. Forward stroking
2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 6 - 8 consecutive
3. Moving forward to backward two foot turn - either direction
4. Backward one foot glide - either foot
5. Two foot spin

1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns R & L
2. Waltz jump
3. Mazurka - either direction
4. Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge
5. Beginning one-foot upright spin - optional free foot position

Basic 4

1. Forward outside three turn - R & L from a standstill
2. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise
3. Forward crossovers 6-8 consecutive both directions
4. Backward stroking
5. Backward snowplow stop - R or L

- **All elements must be skated in the order listed**
- Time: 1:00 or less

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BASIC PROGRAM EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

- 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
- Vocal music is allowed

- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:00 +/- 10 seconds

Snowplow Sam - Tots:

1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip
2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3-in a row
3. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row
4. Forward snowplow stop

Basic 1

1. Forward two foot glide
2. Forward two foot swizzles 6 -8 in a row
3. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row
4. Forward snowplow stop

Basic 2

1. Forward one foot glide - either foot
2. Two foot turn in place - forward to backward
3. Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row
4. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line across width of ice
5. Moving snowplow stop

Basic 3

1. Forward stroking
2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 6 -8 consecutive
3. Moving forward to backward two foot turn in either direction

Basic 5:

1. Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counterclockwise
2. Backward crossovers 6-8 consecutive in both directions
3. One foot spin - min of three revolutions
4. Side Toe hop -either direction
5. Hockey stop

Basic 6:

1. Forward inside 3-turn from a standstill - R & L
2. Bunny Hop
3. Forward arabesque spiral on a straight line R or L
4. Lunge - R or L
5. T-stop - R or L

Basic 7:

1. Forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R
2. Ballet Jump either direction
3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise
4. Forward inside pivot

Basic 8:

1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns R & L
2. Waltz jump
3. Mazurka in either direction
4. Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise - two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward

4. Backward one foot glide - either foot

inside edge

5. Two foot spin

5. Beginning one-foot upright spin - optional free foot position

Basic 4

1. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise

2. Forward crossovers 6-8 consecutive both directions

3. Forward outside 3 turn - R & L from a standstill

4. Backward stroking

5. Backward snowplow stop - R or L

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FREE SKATE ELEMENTS EVENT: FREE SKATE 1-6

- In 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 is allowed
- **The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels**
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:00 or less

Free skate level 1 Compulsory

1. Advanced forward stroking - 4-6 consecutive

2. Basic forward outside edges and forward inside consecutive edges - 2-4 outside and 2-4 inside

3. Scratch spin from backward crossovers

4. Waltz jump from backward crossovers

5. Half flip jump

Free skate level 4 Compulsory

1. Spiral sequence, FI Spiral, FI Mohawk, BO spiral, clockwise or counter clockwise

2. Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets-R or L

3. Sit spin

4. Loop jump

5. Waltz jump/loop jump

Free skate level 2 Compulsory

1. Forward outside spiral - R or L. and a forward inside spiral - R or L
2. Waltz Three's - R or L
3. Beginning back spin - entry optional
4. Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump series
5. Toe loop jump

Free skate level 3 Compulsory

1. Forward crossovers in a figure 8
2. Advanced forward outside swing rolls 4 - 6 consecutive
3. Back spin
4. Salchow jump
5. Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop

Free skate level 5 Compulsory

1. Spiral sequence, FO spiral, forward outside 3 turn, one backward crossover, backward inside spiral
2. Camel spin
3. Forward upright spin to back upright spin
4. Loop/loop jump
5. Flip jump

Free skate level 6 Compulsory

1. Five step Mohawk sequence - 1 set alternating pattern (refer to Basic Skills Curriculum Free skate 6)
2. Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of 4 revolutions total
3. Split jump or stag jump
4. Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow combination
5. Lutz jump

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FREE SKATE EVENT: FREE SKATE 1-6

- The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated.
- **Vocal music is not allowed.**
- **The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels**
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:30+/-10sec

Freestyle 1

1. Advanced Forward stroking. 4-6 strokes
2. Forward outside or inside consecutive edges, 2-4
3. Scratch spin from back crossovers
4. Waltz jump from back crossovers
5. Half flip jump

Freestyle 2

1. Forward outside spiral R or L
2. Waltz three's R or L
3. Beginning back spin
4. Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump
5. Toe loop

Freestyle 3

1. Forward crossovers in a figure 8
2. Advanced forward outside swing rolls 4-6
3. Back spin
4. Salchow
5. Waltz jump/Toe loop or Salchow/toe loop

Freestyle 4

1. Spiral sequence: FI spiral, FI Mohawk, BO spiral R or L
2. Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive R or L
3. Sit spin
4. Loop jump
5. Waltz jump/loop jump

Freestyle 5

1. Spiral sequence: FO spiral, FO 3-turn, 1 back crossover
Backward inside spiral, R or L
2. Camel spin
3. Forward upright spin to back upright spin
4. Loop/loop combination jump
5. Flip jump

Freestyle 6

1. 5 step Mohawk sequence, 1 set alternating patterns
2. Camel/sit spin combination, min of 4 revolutions total
3. Split or stag jump
4. Waltz jump/1/2 loop /Salchow combination
5. Lutz jump

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Suggested Compulsory Event/Test Track and Well Balanced Levels

- In 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 is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .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 their free skate program*

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Limited	1. Waltz jump	Skaters may not have	Time: 1:00
Beginner	2. ½ jump of choice	passed tests higher than	
Compulsory	3. Forward two foot or one foot spin (free leg position optional)	U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate	
	4. Forward or backward spiral	badge tests	
Beginner	1. Toe loop jump	Skaters may not have	Time: 1:00
Compulsory	2. Salchow jump	passed tests higher than	
	3. Forward scratch spin	U.S. Figure Skating	
	4. Forward or backward spiral	Basic Skills free skate badge tests	
No Test	1. Loop jump	Skaters may not have	Time: 1:00
Compulsory	2. Jump combination to include a toe	passed tests higher than	

	loop (may not use a loop or Axel)	U.S. Figure Skating	
	3. Solo spin- sit or camel spin	Basic Skills free skate	
	4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral.	badge tests, no official	
	Additional spirals and balance moves such as Ina Bauers, spread eagles, lunges and shoot the ducks may be included.	U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests passed	
Pre- Preliminary Compulsory	1. Flip jump	Skaters may not have	Time :1:00
	2. Jump combination waltz jump/toe loop jump OR Salchow/toe loop jump	passed tests higher than	
	3. Solo spin- sit or camel spin	U.S. Figure Skating prepreliminary free skate	
	4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral.	test	
	Additional spirals and balance moves such as Ina Bauers, spread eagles, lunges and shoot the ducks may be included.		
Preliminary Compulsory	1. Lutz jump	Skaters must have passed	Time :1:15
	2. Jump combination (may not use Lutz jump or Axel)	at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may	
	3. Camel spin	not have passed tests	
	4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral.	higher than the	
	Additional spirals and balance moves such as Ina Bauers, spread eagles, lunges and shoot the ducks may be included.	preliminary free skate test	

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Competitive Test Track

Skaters may enter EITHER the test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but **NOT** both during the same non-qualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice. 6.0 Judging will be used.

Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from EACH mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra or lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Limited	Two upright spins, no change of foot (min 3 revolutions), jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front). Jump sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests	Time: Up to 1:30 +/- 10
Beginner	Two upright spins, change of foot optional (min 3 revolutions), jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front), single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests	Time: 1:30 +/- 10
Pre-Preliminary	Two solo spins of a different nature, no change of foot (min 3 revolutions and no flying spins), all single solo jumps allowed (no Axels), jump combinations or sequences using only a waltz	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating prepreliminary free skate	Time :1:30 +/-10

	jump, toe loop, and Salchow. Maximum 5 jump elements. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	test	
Preliminary	Two spins of a different nature, combination	Skaters must have passed	Time :1:30
Test	spins allowed (min 3 revolutions each and no flying spins), jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). Jump combinations and sequences are allowed. Maximum 5 jump elements. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test	+/-10

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Well-balanced Program Requirements (U.S. Figure Skating rulebook requirements)

No Test Free skate	A well balanced program consisting of: Jumps: maximum of 5 jump elements. No axels or double jumps permitted. Spins: maximum of 2 spins of a different nature Steps: one step sequence utilizing ½ ice surface	May <u>not</u> have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.	Time: 1:30+/-10
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Refer to U.S. Figure Skating rulebook #3721 for more information

Pre-preliminary Free skate	A well-balanced program consisting of: Jumps: maximum of 5 jump elements. Axels allowed. No double jumps permitted. Spins: maximum of 2 spins of a different nature Steps: one step sequence utilizing ½	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-preliminary free skate test	Time: 1:30 +/-10
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ice surface

Refer to U.S. Figure Skating rulebook #3711 for more information

Preliminary Free skate	A well-balanced program consisting of: Jumps: maximum of 5 jump elements, one of which must be an axel/waltz jump-type jump Spins: maximum of 2 spins of a different nature	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test.	Time: 1:30 +/-10
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Steps: one step sequence utilizing ½ the ice surface

Refer to U.S. Figure Skating rulebook #3701 for more information

Adult Pre-Bronze	Must have passed no higher than adult pre-bronze free skate test or pre-pre free skate test.	Time: 1:40 max
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Refer to U.S. Figure Skating rulebook #3805 for more information

Adult Bronze	Must have passed no higher than adult bronze free skate test or the preliminary free skate test	Time: 1:40 max
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Refer to U.S. Figure Skating rulebook #3801 for more information

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ADULT EVENTS:

Adult Basic Skills Levels - use elements from the Basic Skills Adult 1-4 curriculum Basic-Must have passed no higher than Adult 4. Time: 1:40 max

Adult Pre-Bronze and Adult Bronze see Well-Balanced Program Requirements.

SHOWCASE EVENTS:

Duration: 1:30 or less - may divide into age and level categories

1. Theme of skater's choice or designated by the organization
2. May have music with words
3. Judging to emphasize interpretation of music rather than technical skills
4. Costumes that complement music

May use hand props or any items that skater can get on and off ice without assistance.

INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM:

COMPETITION RULES

The Organizing Committee must pre-select and edit musical choices appropriate for these events. During warm-up skaters will hear selection of music twice. Following the warm-up all skaters except for the first skater will be escorted to a soundproof locker room or another area of the arena. The first skater will hear the music one more time and then perform a program to the music. As each skater performs the next skater in line will be allowed to hear the music for the third time before they perform to the music. The listening skater will not be allowed to view the performing skater.

LEVELS:

Levels should be broken by ability with ages divided appropriately.

JUDGING RULES:

Skaters are judged on originality, pattern, technical (the ability to include jumps and spins) and music interpretation/expression.

Spins and jumps performed must be appropriate to competition level.

TIMING:

Music Duration Limited Beginner- No Test: 1:15 minute

Pre-preliminary- Preliminary: 1:30 minute

COACHING RULES:

There is to be no instruction allowed during this event from coaches, parents, or fellow skaters. Staging area must be kept clear except for ice monitor and listening competitor.

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COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

This USFS Basic Skills Competition is sponsored by the Augusta Ice Sports Center.

ELIGIBILITY

Skaters who have not passed any official USFS tests higher than Basic Skills badge levels or Adult Bronze Free Skating tests (except as noted in the event requirements) and are currently enrolled in either a USFSA Basic Skills Program or are a full USFSA member are eligible to compete. Please read the special eligibility requirements for each event. Eligibility will be based on the skill level as of the *application due date*.

ALL SNOWPLOW SAM AND BASIC SKILLS SKATERS, LEVELS 1 THROUGH 8

Skaters must skate at highest level passed. No official U.S. Figure Skating test may have been passed including MIF or individual dances. Skaters will be divided into groups of a maximum of six (6) skaters, by birth date. Males and females may, or may not, be placed in the same group.

For the FREE SKATE 1-6 AND PRE-PRELIMINARY 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.

PRELIMINARY Skaters may not have tested higher than level competing.

ENTRIES AND FEES

All entries must be postmarked no later than June 5, 2009. The first event is \$30.00 and each additional event is \$10.00. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the competition director, and will be subject to an administrative fee of \$20.00. Please make all checks payable to Augusta Ice Sports Center, Attn. Ashley Hawkins.

There will be **NO REFUNDS** after the closing date unless an event is canceled by the facility. ENTRY FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY and returned with fees.

Check / Money Order must be made out to the corresponding arena. A \$30.00 fee will be charged for returned checks.

AWARDS

Medals will be awarded by the organizers of the competition to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each competition, 4th, 5th, and 6th place will receive ribbons.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

A schedule of events will be emailed to each participant no later than one week prior to the start of the competition (please print email address clearly). Information regarding groups and skating times will also be emailed to each participant.

PRACTICE ICE

A schedule of Practice Ice will be posted along with competition schedule. To reserve practice ice payment must be sent in with registration form. Otherwise practice ice will be on a first-come first-serve basis. A maximum of 20 skaters will be allowed on the ice during any one session. Each practice session must be paid in full prior to taking the ice.

MUSIC

Music for free skating programs and showcase must be provided on a CD. CD's should be clearly marked with the following: skater's name, event entered, home arena, and coach's name. CD's must be turned in at the time of registration. We encourage you to have an additional copy in case of emergency. Please no CDRW's.

PHOTOGRAPHS

A photographer may be available during the competition.

Area Hotels

Accommodations: Days Inn 3654 Wheeler Rd. Augusta, GA 30909 (706) 868-8610.

Doubletree-Augusta 2651 Perimeter Parkway Augusta, GA 30909 (706) 860-1720.

Questions

Please contact the Augusta Ice Sports Center's skating director. Contact: Ashley Hawkins
Email: aisc.hawkins@gmail.com

Mission Statement

The purpose of the competition is to promote a Fun, introductory, competition experience for the beginning skater.

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PRACTICE ICE SESSION:

Each practice session must be paid in full prior to taking the ice. A maximum of 20 skaters will be allowed on the ice during any one session.

Skater's name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Session 1:

Saturday July 12th 6:30-7:00am _____ \$10

Session 2:

Saturday July 12th 7:00-7:30am _____ \$10

Practice ice requests will be honored on a "first come first served" basis.

No refunds will be issued for un-used ice reservations.

Make checks payable to the Augusta Ice Sports Center

Mail to: Augusta Ice Sports Center, Attn: Ashley Hawkins, 1249 Augusta West Pkwy, Augusta GA 30909

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BASIC SKILLS COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Name _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Area Code/Phone # _____ Birth date _____

U.S. Figure Skating number _____ Highest Level Passed _____

Rink/Club: _____

Please check the event(s) you are entering:

Basic Elements:

_____ Snowplow Sam
_____ Basic 1 _____ Basic 5
_____ Basic 2 _____ Basic 6
_____ Basic 3 _____ Basic 7
_____ Basic 4 _____ Basic 8

Basic Free Skate Program:

_____ Snowplow Sam
_____ Basic 1 _____ Basic 5
_____ Basic 2 _____ Basic 6
_____ Basic 3 _____ Basic 7
_____ Basic 4 _____ Basic 8

Free Skate Elements:

_____ Free Skate 1 _____ Free Skate 4
_____ Free Skate 2 _____ Free Skate 5
_____ Free Skate 3 _____ Free Skate 6

Free Skate Program:

_____ Free Skate 1 _____ Free Skate 4
_____ Free Skate 2 _____ Free Skate 5
_____ Free Skate 3 _____ Free Skate 6

Compulsory:

_____ Limited Beginner
_____ Beginner
_____ No Test
_____ Pre-Preliminary
_____ Preliminary

Free Skate Program:

_____ Limited Beginner-Test Track
_____ Beginner-Test Track
_____ Pre-Preliminary-Test Track
_____ Preliminary –Test Track
_____ No Test- Well Balanced
_____ Pre-Preliminary A(without axel)-Well Balanced
_____ Pre-Preliminary B (with axel)-Well Balanced
_____ Preliminary

Showcase: _____ Solo _____ Couple (Indicate your skate Level) **Interpretive:** _____

Adults: _____ Adult 1 _____ Adult 2 _____ Adult 3 _____ Adult 4
_____ Adult Pre-Bronze _____ Adult Bronze

ENTRY FEE IS \$30.00 PER EVENT, \$10.00 PER EACH ADDITIONAL EVENT

First Event \$ _____

Additional Event \$ _____

Additional Event \$ _____

Total: \$_____

Make Checks or money order payable to: Augusta Ice Sports Center

*Mail to: Augusta Ice Sports Center Azalea Open*1249 Augusta West Parkway*Augusta, Ga. 30909 Attn:
Ashley Hawkins*

Competition Application Deadline: June 5, 2009

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Program/Club Affiliation: _____

Director's/Instructor's Name: _____

Date: _____

