



# *Sunset Skate 2025*

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**

## **COMPETITION FOR SINGLES**

*Hosted by:*

*All Year Figure Skating Club*

*Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating*

**Entry Deadline: March 5th**

*Entries may close earlier if ice time fills*

**Music & PPC Deadline: March 12th**

**The Rinks Poway ICE**

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# Welcome to Sunset Skate 2025

## **I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW**

Sunset Skate 2025 will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted in the Members' Only portal 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. Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating club, Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

REFEREE	ACCOUNTANT	COMPETITION Co-CHAIR	COMPETITION Co-CHAIR
Julie Keen	Samantha Yeung	Doug Williams	Kristen Perdue
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### **Entry Restrictions for Sunset Skate due to limited ice time:**

- Entries will be monitored and close when we run out of ice time
- Additional entries may be accepted if additional ice time is available
- If needed, a waitlist will be maintained by the Registrar. To get on the waitlist skaters must send an email with the following information
  - Email: [kperdue@therinks.com](mailto:kperdue@therinks.com)
  - Skaters Name & Club
  - Event requested – example: showcase or freeskate
  - Level requested – example: Pre-Preliminary Boy's o Coach's name

## **II. ELIGIBILITY**

### **SINGLES: EXCEL AND WELL-BALANCED EVENTS**

Skaters must meet at least the minimum singles test requirements for the event's level. A skater's singles test level may be higher than the minimum requirement.

- Competitive Floor: skaters may skate up one level higher than their minimum free skate test requirement allows.

Skaters may not register for an event level lower than allowed by their competitive floor. An athlete's competitive floor is set by one of the following scenarios:

- If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the NQS series, the event level registered for in the most recent NQS will become the lowest level they may compete at in any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event.
- If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the Excel Series, the event level registered for in the most recent Excel series will become the lowest level they may compete in any Excel event. For Well-Balanced and Specialty events the skater will be permitted to register at one level lower than the “floor” set by their excel series entry.
- If an athlete has never had a paid EMS series application in the NQS or Excel series, the athlete may select their level based on their goals and technical skills as long as the minimum test requirements are met.

Skaters are not permitted to enter an Excel free skate and a Well-Balanced free skate event at the same competition (example: Juvenile Girls Free Skate and Juvenile Girls Excel Free Skate). However, they are permitted to enter an Excel and a Well-Balanced event of different types such as a short program (if stand-alone event option), specialty or showcase events (example: Intermediate Women Short Program and Intermediate Women Excel Free Skate). –

For more details about establishing event levels, refer to information sheet [HERE](#) or email [events@usfigureskating.org](mailto:events@usfigureskating.org).

## **ALL OTHER ADULT SINGLES EVENTS**

Skaters must meet the minimum test requirements for the events level, but not exceed the maximum permissible test requirement.

### **“LEARN TO SKATE USA” / “COMPETE USA” PARTICIPANTS**

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current members of either Learn to Skate USA and/ or those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating (including Aspire). Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be a current registered member of Learn to Skate USA or a full member of U.S. Figure Skating. There will be no more than six competitors maximum in an event, and all six should receive an award.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic 1-6 skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher, and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including skating skills or individual dances.

Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements will be skated on half the ice, allowing for multiple levels to compete at the same time.

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) discovers that a skater has been placed in a category that is below their class level, the referee will have the option

to move the skater into the proper division, even if this must be done the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors. It is an ethical violation for coaches to sandbag an event.

**Additional Information:**

- Events will be held in accordance with the rules of the United States Figure Skating Association per the 2025 Rulebook and per the 2024-2025 Competition Rules contained therein, except as otherwise stated herein and/or modified at the 2023 U.S. Figure Skating Governing Council Meeting, U.S. Figure Skating Technical Notifications for the appropriate discipline, ISU Communications for Juniors and Seniors and as otherwise stated herein.
- Ages for entrants are as of close of entries: **March 5, 2025**
- An event must have a minimum of two entries prior to the close of entries to be scheduled, and a minimum of two competitors to be held. At the discretion of the Chief Referee, Snowplow Sam through Free Skate 6, and all Showcase events may be combined, depending on the number of entries. If events are combined, the allowed time for the free skating event will be as for the actual event entered.
- Results will be available online, through a link that will be provided at the competition, at the end of each event. Additionally, results will be available on the All Year FSC website ([www.allyearfsc.com](http://www.allyearfsc.com)) as soon as possible after the competition.

**EVENTS OFFERED**

This event will follow [program requirements](#) for the 2024-2025 competition season. Please be sure to check all rules and Technical Notifications from U.S. Figure Skating for any changes or updates.

SINGLES	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event	3 <sup>rd</sup> Event
<a href="#">Well Balanced Free Skate</a> (Pre-Preliminary – Open Juvenile)	IJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<a href="#">Well Balanced Short Program</a> (Juvenile – Open Juvenile)	IJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<a href="#">Excel Free Skate</a> (Pre-Preliminary – Juvenile Plus)	IJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<a href="#">Adult Free Skate</a> (Adult Pre-Bronze – Adult Gold)	IJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
SHOWCASE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event	3 <sup>rd</sup> Event
<b>Emotional Performance</b> (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Pre-Bronze – Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<b>Choreographic Artistry</b> (Juvenile – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<b>Lyrical Pop</b> (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Pre-Bronze – Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<b>Character Performance</b> (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Pre-Bronze – Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80

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<b>Comedic Impressions</b> (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Pre-Bronze – Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<b>Duets/Trios</b> (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Pre-Bronze – Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<b>Inflatables</b> (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Senior Elite/ProAm; Adult Pre-Bronze – Masters)	CJS	\$115	\$80	\$80
<b>COMPETE USA EVENTS</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Event</b>
<a href="#"><u>Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Program w/ Music</u></a>	6.0	\$90	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements</u></a>	6.0	\$90	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Aspire 1-4 Program w/ Music</u></a>	6.0	\$90	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Showcase</u></a> (Basic 1 – Aspire 4)	6.0	\$90	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music</u></a>	6.0	\$90	\$50	\$50

## OUR COMMUNITY

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understand its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

## NON-DISCRIMINATION

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® Program received, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the most current [SkateSafe® Program Handbook](#) for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating's Code of Ethics (GR 1.01) and Code of Conduct (GR 1.02), as detailed within the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit [www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe](http://www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe) or email [SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org](mailto:SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org).

## SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE

For full details about SkateSafe compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe webpage: [www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe](http://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe).

## COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into two categories, Coach Compliance (includes choreographers) and Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Compliance. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

Coaches of foreign athletes: If you are a coach of a foreign athlete only, you are not subject to U.S. Figure Skating coach compliance and will only be asked to provide a letter of good standing for the federation your athlete represents.

Coaches Credentials will be provided as follows:

- Two coaches per skater will receive a credential at no charge

With EMS, coaches must be included within a skater/team's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal via "[My Coaches](#)" or "Team Personnel." All coaches declared at the time of registration will be included on the registration confirmation email. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

*Note: There is no registration approval process within EMS as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating database.*

EMS Coach Resources (not SYS or TOI):

- [My Competitions](#)
- [My Skaters](#)
- [Coach Schedule](#)

## U.S. FIGURE SKATING TRAVEL POLICY

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

### **III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS**

Online registrations will be accepted via EMS. Payment must be made at the time of registration by credit card only. Each transaction includes a 3% transaction fee.

1. Go to [www.usfsaonline.org](http://www.usfsaonline.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](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).
3. Click EMS then "Competition Registration"
4. Choose "**Sunset Skate 2025**" from the list of nonqualifying competitions. Updated 10/23/2023 a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org).

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** March 5, 2025, at 11:59 pm ET

**LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** March 9th, 2025 at 11:59 pm ET

**LATE FEE:** \$50.00

*\*The host club reserves the right to close registration at any time if event capacity is met*

#### **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 "NonMember? Create Account" option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

#### **DRAW FOR SKATING ORDER**

The skating order will be determined by closed draw prior to each segment. Draw for skating order will be a closed draw, drawn in accordance with Rule 2725.

#### **COMBINATION OF GENDERS**

In the following events both genders may be combined in the same event at the discretion of the referee: all Learn to Skate (Basic Skills) events; Adult Bronze and below Free Skating events; For Beginner through Pre-Juvenile Free Skating events, where only one skater has entered their single gender event and has agreed to skate in the combined gender event.

#### **TEST CREDIT**

Skaters entered in an event that would meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit forms at registration. Reminder – Test Credit is only available for Excel Juvenile-Senior levels (Rule 4200). Forms requesting a TEST CREDIT packet must be filled out and submitted to the Registration desk, along with a **\$10 fee, prior to the start of their Free Skate event**. Once the event is over, only a skater who achieves a test "pass" will receive the full packet from the accounting room.

## MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD

Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **March 12, 2025 at 11:59 PM ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$35 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.

### [HOW TO UPLOAD MUSIC](#)

If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)

**MUSIC DEADLINE:** March 12, 2025, 11:59pm ET

**LATE FEE:** \$35.00

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rink side whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector (AUX port), 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.

## PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD (FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY)

Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **March 12, 2025 at 11:59 PM ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$35 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

### [HOW TO UPLOAD PPC](#)

If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)

**PPC DEADLINE:** March 12, 2025, 11:59pm ET

**LATE FEE:** \$35.00

## REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after close of entries on **March 5, 2025**, unless no competition exists, or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$40 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.



## **LIABILITY**

U.S. Figure Skating, All Year FSC and The Rinks Poway ICE 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.

## **IV. COMPETITION DETAILS:**

### **FACILITIES**

The competition will be held at the The Rinks Poway ICE, 12455 Kerran Street, Suite 100 Poway, CA 92064. The ice surface is approximately 85' x 200', slightly rounded at the corners. The arena has restrooms, a cafe, a pro shop and free parking. There are restaurants within driving distance of the arena.

### **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS**

**Locker rooms as changing areas will not be available this competition.** All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). The locker rooms are available for athletes to put on skates on but changing will not be permitted in these spaces. All doors to the available locker rooms must be always kept open and are used for storage of skates, equipment and props only.

**Please click [here](#) to review SkateSafe Locker Room and Change Area Policy.**

### **OFFICIAL NOTICES**

An official posting area will be maintained inside the lobby area of the arena. The official schedule of events will be posted on Entryeeze and the All Year FSC website ([www.allyearfsc.com](http://www.allyearfsc.com)). It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board and websites listed above frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information.

During the competition, updates will be posted through the on-line portal and will supersede all other schedules. Notices posted on the All Year FSC website will be considered sufficient notice to all skaters. No schedules will be mailed. Skaters are requested to arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted as noted above prior to the competition.

**Online results will be available during the competition. A QR code for access, will be provided and posted throughout the building. '**

### **SCHEDULE**

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time for the announced dates of the competition. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available by email and

on Entryeze and on the AYFSC website links (<http://www.allyearfsc.com>). This will be considered sufficient notification of the scheduled events.

### **ONSITE CHECK-IN**

Check-in will open on Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> or Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, dependent on the official schedule being posted with the first day of competition being confirmed. On-Site Check in through EMS will be used at the Registration which will be located at the Front Desk just inside the main doors to the rink.

### **PRACTICE ICE**

Depending on the number of applicants, practice ice for the competition may be offered. If offered, final details for scheduling practice ice will be made available to competitors through EMS. Any practice sessions will be considered to be Unofficial Practice Ice (UPI) and no music will be played.

### **AWARDS**

Awards will be presented for the first four placed skaters in each event level/group. There will be no Final Rounds at this event.

Compete USA Awards will be presented for the first through sixth place skaters in each level/group.

## **V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

### **SPECTATOR ADMISSION**

No admission will be charged to the general public for viewing the competition.

### **VOLUNTEER INFO**

A Jotform or the volunteer platform through EMS will be available on the competition website if you are interested in volunteering opportunities.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY**

Coronado Video (<http://coronadoproductions.tripod.com>) will be the official videographer. Cynthia Slawter Photography is the professional photographer (<http://cynthiaslawterphotography.com>) for award and action photographs at the rink.

All other videotaping and photography are restricted to hand-held battery-operated equipment, without the use of a tripod. No photography or videotaping, except by the official photographer, without the express permission of the person being photographed or videotaped is allowed.

Solicitation by any photographer, or agent, of anyone to be the subject of still or video photography is not permitted. NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY DURING THE EVENTS IS ALLOWED.

Live and on-demand streaming, and sales and distribution of U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned and approved events, programs, and activities that include the playback of music is strictly prohibited. This prohibition does not apply to the distribution of footage that does not include music. Questions about this can be directed to [music@usfigureskating.org](mailto:music@usfigureskating.org).

*NOTE: per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own team is strictly prohibited.*

#### **AIR TRAVEL**

Airport: San Diego International Airport [SAN Official Site](#) | [Welcome to San Diego International Airport](#)