

ANNOUNCEMENT

2017 SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS – BC/YK SECTION

Dates: November 10 – 13, 2016

Location: Capital News Centre, Kelowna, BC

Hosted By: BC/YK Section and the Kelowna Skating Club

Sanctioned By: Skate Canada

Deadline for Entries: Wednesday, September 28, 2016

On-line Registration

PURPOSE OF SECTIONALS

Sectionals identify the top skaters in each province (Ontario having four Sections) 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.

Sectionals allow the section to feature their talented skaters, train officials and volunteers, recognize sponsors, and provide entertaining skating for audiences at the provincial level.

In accordance with Skate Canada rules, all Sectional events must be completed no later than the first Sunday following November 30 of the current skating year.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2017 Skate Canada BC/YK Sectionals 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).

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION

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RINKS TO BE USED

Competition ArenaIce Surface SizeCapital News Centre200 ft x 85 ft

4105 Gordon Drive

Kelowna, BC

Practice ArenaIce Surface SizeAs above200 ft x 85 ft

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE (Skate Canada Rule 5401)

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 <u>Section 2100</u>.
- (2) **ASSOCIATE MEMBER**: Be Associate members 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.

(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 (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 515)

- (1) **TEST PREREQUISITES**: Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the tests as listed in paragraph 510 of the Qualifying Competition Handbook (see below) before October 1st preceding the Championships. A skater may also be considered qualified having passed a higher test or parts thereof as long as the minimum test 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 paragraph 510.
- (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

Registration for Sectionals will take place online at Wufoo.com. **The entry deadline is 11:45 pm Wednesday, September 28th, 2016.** Online registration instructions are on page 12 of this Announcement. If you have any problems registering online call the BC/YK Section office (604) 205-6960 or 1-888-752-8322 for assistance. As per BC/YK Section policy, entry fees shall only be refunded if the competition is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the date of closing of entries. Skate Canada Rule 7000 A 1.5 (2)

Skaters who will be applying for or who have been granted byes through Sectionals do not need to register online; however they must contact <u>Danielle Williams</u> (604) 205-6960 at the BC/YK Section office with entry information by the entry deadline of **September 28**th, **2016**.

Planned program sheets must be completed online no later than **Monday, October 31st, 2016.** Further details with instructions for submitting planned program sheets will be provided after close of registration.

NOTE: There will be a \$20 fee assessed for failing to register planned program elements online by the October 31st deadline. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until this fee has been paid and a planned program sheet has been completed.

The host Section/Club must verify the eligibility of all competitors according to paragraphs 510, 515 and 520 of the Qualifying Competition Handbook. The names and registration numbers of all competitors entering Canadian Championship qualifying events must be submitted to the National Office of the Association immediately after the closing date of entries and no later than October 3rd or the next business day following that date.

The acceptance of late entries is at the discretion of the Section in consultation with the technical representative. Please note: All late entries to the Sectional Championships will be assessed double entry fee.

The eligibility of all entries must be verified by the Section in consultation with the Skate Canada national office.

Entry Fees

	SINGLES	PAIR SKATING	ICE DANCE
PRE-JUVENILE U11			
Held only if time			
permits	\$140.00 per skater		
JUVENILE U11/U14	\$140.00 per skater	\$70.00 per skater	\$140.00 per skater
PRE-NOVICE & NOVICE	\$240.00 per skater	\$140.00 per skater	\$140.00 per skater
JUNIOR & SENIOR	\$240.00 per skater	\$140.00 per skater	\$140.00 per skater

Note: The entry fees include the cost of practice ice - one practice for one-part events, and two practices for two-part events. An additional \$7.50 per skater has been added to cover the cost of Live Streaming.

RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY

Refer to Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 530 (5)

TEST AND AGE PREREQUISITES FOR COMPETING

Refer to Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 510

In addition to the categories listed, Pre-Juvenile U11 Singles will be offered if time permits. Skaters must have passed the Junior Bronze Free Skating test or higher and must be under the age of 11 before July 1, 2016.

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 520

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE

Refer to Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 525 (3)

SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENTS - SKATE CANADA BC/YK SECTIONALS (Qualifying Competition Handbook paragraph 520).

All Program Requirements can be found on the <u>Technical Page</u> of the Section website – <u>www.skatinginbc.com</u> as well as on the <u>Skate Canada info centre</u> under <u>Technical</u>

1. PRE-JUVENILE EVENTS

(a) PRE-JUVENILE WOMEN'S U11 SINGLES AND PRE-JUVENILE MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP: These competitions shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.0 or 2.5 minutes (+ or - 10 seconds) in duration.

2. JUVENILE EVENTS

- (a) **JUVENILE WOMEN'S SINGLES AND JUVENILE MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**: These competitions shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or 10 seconds) in duration.
- (b) **JUVENILE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or -10 seconds) in duration.
- (c) JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) PATTERN DANCES: The following two dances shall be skated in the order listed: Ten Fox – 3 sequences
 European Waltz– 2 sequences
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE:** A free dance to music of 2.0 minutes (+ or 10 seconds) in duration.

3. PRE-NOVICE EVENTS

- (a) **PRE-NOVICE WOMEN'S SINGLES & PRE-NOVICE MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**: These competitions shall consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (b) **PRE-NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP**: This competition will consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (c) **PRE-NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
 - (i) **PATTERN DANCES:** The two pattern dances drawn for **Sectionals** are Rocker Foxtrot (4 sequences) and Starlight Waltz (2 sequences).

Challenge: Harris Tango (2 sequences) and Blues (2 sequences)

The five pieces of music will be played during practice in numerical order. The last (sixth) tune of the dance shall only be used during the warm-up of each starting group.

FREE DANCE: A free dance to music of 2 minutes 30 seconds (+/- 10 sec) in duration.

4. NOVICE EVENTS

- (a) **NOVICE WOMEN SINGLES & NOVICE MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: These competitions shall consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (b) **NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: This competition shall consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (c) **NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: This competition shall consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
 - (i) PATTERN DANCES
 - (ii) FREE DANCE

3. **JUNIOR EVENTS**

- (a) JUNIOR WOMEN'S SINGLES & JUNIOR MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA: These competitions shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (b) **JUNIOR PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (c) **JUNIOR DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) SHORT DANCE
 - (ii) FREE DANCE

4. SENIOR EVENTS

- (a) **SENIOR WOMEN'S SINGLES AND MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: These competitions shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM

- (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (b) **SENIOR PAIR SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (c) **SENIOR ICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA**: This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) SHORT DANCE
 - (ii) FREE DANCE

REGISTRATION

Registration for skaters, officials and coaches will commence **Wednesday November 9th**, **2016** at Capital News Centre from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

Registration will continue at Capital News Centre as listed below:

Thursday November 10 6:00 am - 6:00 pmFriday November 11 7:00 am - 9:00 pmSaturday November 12 5:45 am - 9:00 pmSunday November 13 7:00 am - 12:00 pm

Registration desk hours are subject to change dependent on the final competition schedule.

REGISTRATION AND PRACTICE ICE FOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (as per the Qualifying Competition Handbook paragraph 520 (8(i)-(j))

- (1) **REGISTRATION**: Competitors at Sectional Championships must register for the competition before their official practice session immediately prior to the first portion of their event.
- (1) **PRACTICE ICE**: Upon registration or attendance at an officially scheduled practice session competitors are not permitted to skate on ice other than the official practice or competition ice as scheduled for the event. Violators of this rule shall be subject to suspension from the competition in question. This rule is applicable to all qualifying events including Regional/Sub-Sectional, Skate Canada Challenge, and Canadian Championships.

ACCREDITATION FOR COACHES

By-law 2403 (Skate Canada Policies and Procedures) shall apply.

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

- ➤ Be Intermediate STARSkate/Provincial Coach certified
- ➤ Be a current Professional Coaching Member of Skate Canada
- > Hold a valid First Aid Certificate
- > Coaches must register in person at the registration desk to receive accreditation for the competition

NEW COACHES: New professional coaches who do not meet the above criteria for accreditation or funding will have three years in which to become Level 2/ISPC Certified and four years to become Level 3 Certified from the date of registering as a Skate Canada Professional Coach.

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. Official protests must be lodged within one hour after the posting of the result.

MUSIC

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the Performing Rights Society.

Competitors who 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 television, or appropriate clearance from the Performing Rights Society.

<u>For the information of Pre-Novice and Novice Dance competitors</u>: The ISU pattern dance music to be used for all practices and events is the 2001 Revised Version produced by the ISU.

Music Requirements

NEW: Music will only be accepted electronically in an MP3 file submitted online as part of the registration process

- Skaters must also submit 2 CDs at registration which will be easily accessible to the music players should the need arise.
- Alternate electronic items such as iPhones, tablets, mp3s etc. will not be accepted for playing music on site.
- The following requirements must be met for the backup CDs:
 - > Only one program shall be recorded on each CD.
 - > The start of the music shall be recorded on the CD with less than two seconds of lead in.
 - ➤ Competitor's name followed by category, program type short or free and music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on the CD label.
 - ➤ Each CD shall be enclosed in a plastic case, also marked with the skater's name, home club, category, program type short or free and total music time.
- Competitors must hand in their music at the registration desk at least one hour prior to the start of their event. The Organizing Committee will accept no responsibility against damage but will take every precaution to safeguard each CD.
- CD's that do not meet the above requirements will not be accepted.

AWARDS

Standard Skate Canada Sectional Medals will be presented to the top 3 finishers of each event. _Pewter medals will also be presented to the 4th place finishers in Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior. In the case of only two entries, each entry shall be awarded a prize. In the case of only one entry in an event an exhibition may be performed but no prize shall be awarded. The presentation schedule will be posted during the competition.

ARTISTIC AWARDS:

Winners of the most Artistic Skater Award shall be chosen from the skaters appearing in the Women's and Men's Free Skating events.

ADDITIONAL AWARDS:

The Edward S. Barton Musicality Award

Two awards may be awarded in the following events:

Women Singles – Junior or Senior Events Men's Singles - Junior or Senior Events

The Richard Gilbert Memorial Award may be awarded to a couple for artistry in pairs or dance.

TEAM TROPHY: Vancouver Province Trophy

• 2 entries 1st place 2 points

REGION CHAMPIONS

The top-scoring competitor from each Region in each BC/YK Skate Canada Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior Sectionals event will be named the 2017 Region Champion. Winners will be presented with a certificate.

POND TO PODIUM SUPER SERIES CHAMPIONS – JUVENILE TO SENIOR

Skate Canada BC/YK Sectionals is the final competition in the 2016 Pond to Podium Super Series. The top three scores for skaters from the series of competitions will determine the final result. Trophies will be awarded to the top three skaters in each event and the winners will be presented with the Super Series Champion Trophy. Please note that trophies are only awarded if there are at least 3 skaters, each with 3 events.

ACCOMMODATION

Host Hotel – Manteo Resort Waterfront Hotel & Villas

3762 Lakeshore Road, Kelowna, BC V1W 3L4 1 800 445 5255

Rates: \$105 Deluxe Guestroom Mountainside View \$120 Deluxe Guestroom Lakeside View 1 & 2 bedroom suites may be available subject to availability.

All rates are subject to applicable taxes.

TRANSPORTATION

There will be **no** organized transportation available.

ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate Canada BC/YK Section, Skate Canada 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. Their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

PUBLICITY WAIVER

Skate Canada BC/YK Sectionals events will be live streamed on the Skating in BC website. Please read the following publicity waiver in full. As part of the online registration process, skaters will be asked to accept or decline the waiver.

"The undersigned hereby acknowledges and consents to the fact that the 2017 Skate Canada Qualifying and Championship events may be broadcast either in whole or in part for showing on a world-wide basis. The undersigned athlete hereby consents to the use of his or her performances, name, biography and likeness on or in connection with any television or radio program, video/DVD, web streaming, web archiving, print media or the advertising and publicizing of such program as may be designated by Skate Canada and waives all rights to remuneration or otherwise in connection with the above.

The foregoing is subject to assurance that the eligible status of the athlete will be fully protected by Skate Canada."

MEDICAL SERVICES

Medical Personnel will be onsite during the competition. There will be no on site physio service available.

OTHER INFORMATION

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY: The Super Series is providing professional video with graphics of the skater's name and club combined with footage of the skaters and coaches in the kiss and cry. The videographers have the best location in the rink to catch all the action and emotion. Personal videoing is permitted but the locations are restricted. Video cameras must be battery operated and not require electrical connections.

The Super Series is also providing professional action shots for every performance. The photographer will have a judges side location for the best shots and close ups. Personal photos are permitted but locations are restricted and flash photography is strictly forbidden for the safety of the skaters.

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.

ENTRY ADMISSION: All event passes \$10.00

Daily admission \$5.00 Children 6 and under free

Children with Skate Canada membership cards will be admitted free

BC/YK SECTION Online Registration & Planned Program Instructions

Skate Canada-BC/YK Section has an online registration system with the company <u>Wufoo.com</u>. All registrations must be completed using this online system.

The entry process requires two files to be attached - the skater's proof of Citizenship and the skater's MP3 Music file. Do not begin registering until you have both these files accessible to submit. Click here to register.

The registration system will generate an automatic email to the skater and the primary coach. Coaches are encouraged to check the confirmation email to ensure their skater(s) is registered in the correct event.

There is no login required to fill out the Wufoo Competition form. Skaters enter their information in all the required fields and then click "Submit". After clicking the submit button skaters will be taken to PayPal to pay their competition registration fee. All skaters must pay their competition entry fee through PayPal. Please note that it is <u>not</u> necessary to have a PayPal account to complete the registration process.

If skaters are unsure of what to enter in the various entry form fields, please contact your coach.

Online Planned Program Instructions will be sent to registered skaters after close of registration.

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