



ANNOUNCEMENT

2018 SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS – BC/YK SECTION

Dates:	November 9 – 12, 2017
Location:	Oceanside Place Arena, Parksville, BC
Hosted By:	BC/YK Section and the Vancouver Island Region
Sanctioned By:	Skate Canada
Deadline for Entries:	Wednesday, September 27, 2017

[On-line Registration](#)

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.

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 conclude a minimum of seven days prior to Skate Canada Challenge in the current competitive season.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2018 Skate Canada BC/YK Sectionals will be conducted in accordance with the Skate Canada Competitions Rules and the Competition Scoring Rules. Discipline specific Competition Program Requirements, 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

Technical Representative	Pat Mayne	
Assistant Technical Representative	Courtney Baerg	
Technical Inquiries	Janice Hunter janicedhunter@gmail.com	
BC/YK Section Contact (all enquiries regarding entries)	Danielle Williams bcyksection@skatinginbc.com	604-205-6960 toll free 1-888-752-8322

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REGION TEAM LEADERS (subject to change)

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CNCR	TBA		
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RINKS TO BE USED

Competition Arena
Oceanside Place Arena
830 West Island Highway
Parksville, BC V9P 2X4

Ice Surface Size
200 ft x 85 ft

Practice Arena
As above

Ice Surface Size
200 ft x 85 ft

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

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

Be Skate Canada registrants in good standing.

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.

ANTI-DOPING POLICY AND DOPING CONTROL POLICY: Agree to be subject to Skate Canada rules 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 Skate Canada. (See Skate Canada Policies and Procedures.)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

- (1) **TEST PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the tests as listed in the [Skate Canada Rulebook](#) 2017-2018 Competition Program Requirements for each discipline 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 the [Skate Canada Rulebook](#) 2017-2018 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

Registration for Sectionals will take place online at Wufoo.com. The entry deadline is 11:45 pm Wednesday, September 27th, 2017. [Online registration](#) instructions are on page 10 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.

Skaters who will be applying for or who have been granted byes through Sectionals to Skate Canada Challenge do not need to register online; however, they must contact [Danielle Williams](#) (604) 205-6960 at the BC/YK Section office with entry information by the entry deadline of September 27th, 2017. If a skater has been granted a bye and chooses to compete at Sectionals, the skater must register for Sectionals regardless of the bye. The results of a

byed skater competing at Sectionals do not affect the quota of skaters who will be selected for Skate Canada Challenge.

Planned program sheets must be completed online no later than Monday, October 30th, 2017.

[Click here](#) to submit planned program content.

NOTE: There will be a \$20 fee assessed for failing to register planned program elements online by the October 30th 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. The names and registration numbers of all competitors entering qualifying events must be submitted to Skate Canada 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.

Entry Fees

	SINGLES	PAIR SKATING	ICE DANCE
PRE-JUVENILE U11	\$120.00 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. Competitor's programs will not be played during the official practice sessions. Official practice ice will not be offered for Pre-Juvenile Singles categories but there will be the opportunity to purchase unofficial practice ice. An additional \$7.50 per skater has been added to cover the cost of Live Streaming.

RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS

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EVENTS: The following events are mandatory for 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

In addition, Pre-Juvenile Singles and Juvenile Singles, Pairs and Dance events will be held.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENTS - SKATE CANADA BC/YK SECTIONALS

Refer to the [Skate Canada Rulebook](#) 2017-2018 Competition Program Requirements for each discipline

Note that Pre-Juvenile Singles events may have a program time of either 2:00 minutes +/- 10 seconds or 2:30 minutes +/- 10 seconds

REGISTRATION

Registration for skaters, officials and coaches will commence Wednesday November 8th, 2017 at Oceanside Arena from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

Registration will continue at Oceanside Arena as listed below:

Thursday November 9	6:00 am – 6:00 pm
Friday November 10	7:00 am – 9:00 pm
Saturday November 11	5:45 am – 9:00 pm
Sunday November 12	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](#) (does not apply to Pre-Juvenile competitors at this competition)

REGISTRATION: Competitors at Sectional Championships must register for the competition before their official practice session immediately prior to the first portion of their event.

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, Sectional, Skate Canada Challenge, and Canadian Championships.

ACCREDITATION FOR COACHES

[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:

- Meet the NCCP Requirements for the level of athlete with whom they are attending
- Be a current Professional Coaching Member of Skate Canada
- Hold a valid First Aid Certificate

ACCREDITATION MATRIX

- As per the NCCP pathways, coaches may obtain accreditation privileges provided the qualifications in the accreditation matrix below are valid at time of competition entry and on-site during the event. The Skate Canada qualifying events are categorized below as events 1-4.

Categories	EVENT #				COACH MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING			
	1	2	3	4	Registered	First Aid	Screening	NCCP Certification
Pre-Juvenile	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	Regional Coach
Juvenile	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	Regional Coach
Pre-Novice	✓	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	Provincial Coach
Novice	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	National Coach
Junior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	National Coach
Senior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	National Coach
Intermediate	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	Provincial Coach
Open	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	Provincial Coach

The accreditation guidelines for all other Skate Canada sanctioned competitions (as applicable) are determined by the Sections.

Additional Considerations:

- Coaches who are in the process of achieving a [NCCP certification](#) may be considered for accreditation provided the necessary in-training or trained status as stipulated in the relevant NCCP coach pathway is achieved. Please note: the [NCCP coach pathways](#) are currently being revised to reflect the changes in this policy. We will notify you when this information has been updated on Info Centre.
- Non-resident coaches who do not coach in a Skate Canada club or skating school may be considered for accreditation provided that a valid screening is provided at time of competition entry and on-site at events.

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, are 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 societies.

Pre-Novice and Novice Dance competitors: The ISU pattern dance music to be used for all practices and events is the 2001 Revised Version produced by the ISU.

Music Requirements

- All skaters must submit music online as part of the registration process.
- Music will only be accepted electronically via MP3 format. Do not begin the registration process until you have your music file ready to load. Questions can be directed to Courtney Baerg at bcyksection@skatinginbc.com
- Music files are not kept for the next competition. Skaters must submit their music for each

individual competition.

- Competitors must hand in their back up file – either USB flash drive or CD - 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 USB/CD.
- A backup USB flash drive or CD must be submitted at registration.
- Alternate electronic items such as iPhones, tablets, mp3 players etc. will not be accepted for playing music.
- The preferred backup format is a USB flash drive. If submitting a back-up CD, the following requirements must be met:
 - 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 music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on one side of the CD.
 - Each CD shall be enclosed in its plastic container, also marked with the skater's name, home club, event, and total music time.

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 will receive a medal. In the case of only one entry in an event an exhibition may be performed but no medal will 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

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| • 4 or more entries | 1 st place | 5 points |
| | 2 nd place | 3 points |
| | 3 rd place | 2 points |
| • 3 entries | 1 st place | 3 points |
| | 2 nd place | 2 points |
| • 2 entries | 1 st 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 2017 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

Information will be posted on the [sectionals competition page](#) when it becomes available.

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 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.

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 Wufoo.com. 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 not 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.

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