

CHARTER OAK OPEN WEEKEND



August 5 - 7

Charter Oak Open

August 7

Gold Level Test Session

IJS & Critiques For:
Juvenile – Senior Events for Short Program & Free Skate Events

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Eligibility: This competition is open to all eligible skaters, who are members in good standing and eligible to compete in non-qualifying competitions according to US Figure Skating Rule 3055. Competitors may enter as many events for which they are qualified by test level and age. Skaters may compete at one level higher than their current test level. Test Level and age requirements are as of the entry deadline. When entering more than one event, please remember that two ice surfaces will be used during this competition. Therefore, the Competition Committee cannot be responsible for skaters' individual schedules having conflicting events, although every effort will be made to avoid scheduling conflicts.

Events: All competition events will be governed by the **2012 USFS Rulebook**. The Competition Committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries, eliminate events, combine and/or divide groups as necessary

Deadline: Entry deadlines must be postmarked by **July 13, 2011** and must be submitted with the entrance fee. Private postage meters will not be accepted as proof of postmark date. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee and must include a double entry fee.

Fees: Entrance fees must be paid in US dollars. Checks payable to: *Charter Oak FSC*. There will be a \$25.00 charge for any returned checks and re-submittal of the entry form will require a money order or certified check.

| | 1st Event | 2nd Event | 3rd Event |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Individual Entry | \$85 | \$55 | \$35 |
| Couples Dance Entry | \$45 (each competitor) | | |

Skater Credentials: Each skater will receive one competitor and one chaperone pass with each paid registration.

Coach Credentials: There will be a limit of 2 professionals per skater. Only the professionals who are listed as a "registered coach" with US Figure Skating will be allowed to instruct/coach at this event. ****This is an annual requirement, please register on or before July 1 so registration process can be completed on time.**

Contact Info: If you have any questions, please e-mail competition@charteroakfsc.com or call 860-651-8299

IJS: The International Judging System will be used for Juvenile through Senior freeskate and short programs, as well as the Adult Gold FreeSkate event. All other events will be judged using the 6.0 system. **All IJS competitors are required to complete the planned program content form through EntryEeze no later than July 28, 2011.**

Accidents & Refunds: In accordance with Rules 3222 and 3235, no refunds will be made unless an event is cancelled. In such cases, refund checks will be mailed within two weeks of the conclusion of the competition. If you register online (via EntryEeze), the processing fee is not refundable for any reason

Critiques: Critiques will be offered to all IJS competitors Juvenile and above. The critiques will be held immediately following each flight in Locker Room 4 of the same rink competing on.

Music: Only CDs will be accepted. Due to compatibility and reliability issues, **no music may be submitted on re-recordable "CD-RW" disc**. Each CD should be submitted in a paper sleeve, have only one recorded track and be labeled clearly with the skaters name and length of music. All competitors should bring an extra copy of their music

Awards: Medals will be presented for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place finishers in all events.

Skating Facilities: The International Skating Center of Connecticut has two rinks and a snack bar. Olympic rink measures approximately 100 x 200 feet with rounded corners. NHL rink measures 85 x 200 feet with rounded corners.

Video / Photography: Professional video and photography services will be provided. Those interested in videotaping will be restricted to the bleachers. Tripods are not allowed. For the safety of all skaters, NO flash photography.

Schedules/ Practice Ice: All competition and practice ice schedules will be posted on www.charteroakfsc.com/events
No confirmations will be mailed. After practice ice schedule is posted, competitors will be able to pre-purchase sessions through EntryEeze.

Official Hotel: Avon Old Farms, Avon, CT 06001. GREAT RATE! Make your reservation by 7/6/2011 to guarantee the rate!

Test Session: A gold panel test session will be conducted on Sunday, August 7th, 2011. Test applications are available on www.charteroakfsc.com/tests. Deadline for the test application is Sunday, July 31st, 2011.

Competition Requirements

All events will be run using the 2012 Rulebook. Please refer to the USFS website for specific program requirements.

WELL BALANCED FREESKATE

| EVENT | REQUIREMENTS | PROGRAM TIME |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| BEGINNER | No Free Skate test passed. Only single jumps - NO AXEL | 1:30 minutes |
| PRE-PRELIMINARY | Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test but no higher. With Axel – NO DOUBLE JUMPS | 1:30 minutes |
| PRELIMINARY | Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test but no higher than Preliminary. With axel – up to two different double jumps | 1:30 minutes |
| PRE-JUVENILE | Preliminary Free Skate Test but no higher than Pre-Juvenile. | 2:00 minutes |
| JUVENILE | Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Test but no higher than Juvenile. Under 14 yrs old as of 07/13/2011 | 2:15 minutes |
| OPEN JUVENILE | Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Test but no higher than Juvenile. Age 14 or older as of 07/13/2011 | 2:15 minutes |
| INTERMEDIATE | Juvenile Free Skate Test but no higher than Intermediate. | 2:30 minutes |
| NOVICE | Intermediate Free Skate Test but no higher than Novice. | 3:00 minutes ladies 3:30 minutes men |
| JUNIOR | Novice Free Skate Test but no higher than Junior. | 3:30 minutes ladies 4:00 minutes men |
| SENIOR | Junior or Senior Free Skate Test. | 4:00 minutes ladies 4:30 minutes men |
| ADULT EVENTS | Must be at least 21 years old | |
| ADULT NO-TEST | May not have passed any US Figure Skating tests and no higher than ISI FS2. Only half jumps, salchows and toeloops. | Not to exceed 1:40 minutes |
| ADULT PRE-BRONZE | Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate Test but no higher than Adult Pre-Bronze, Pre-Preliminary Free Skate or ISI FS 3. NO LUTZ, AXEL, OR DOUBLE JUMPS | Not to exceed 1:40 minutes |
| ADULT BRONZE | Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate Test but no higher than Adult Bronze, Preliminary Free Skate or ISI FS 4. NO AXEL – NO DOUBLE JUMPS | Not to exceed 1:50 minutes |
| ADULT SILVER | Adult Bronze Free Skate Test but no higher than Adult Silver, Pre-Juvenile Free Skate, or ISI FS 5. | Not to exceed 2:10 minutes |
| ADULT GOLD | Adult Silver or Gold Freestyle Test but no higher than Juvenile Free Skate or ISI FS 6. | Not to exceed 2:40 minutes |
| ADULT MASTERS | Standard Intermediate Free Skate Test or 3 rd Figure Test (prior to 10/01/77) | Not to exceed 3:40 minutes |

SHORT PROGRAM

| EVENT | REQUIREMENTS | PROGRAM TIME |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| INTERMEDIATE SHORT | Juvenile Free Skate Test but no higher than Intermediate | Not to exceed 2:00 minutes |
| NOVICE SHORT | Intermediate Free Skate Test but no higher than Novice | Not to exceed 2:30 minutes |
| JUNIOR SHORT | Novice Free Skate Test but no higher than Junior | Not to exceed 2:50 minutes |
| SENIOR SHORT | Junior or Senior Free Skate Test | Not to exceed 2:50 minutes |

SHOWCASE / ADULT INTERPRETIVE

Skaters will be judged on their ability to interpret the music based on skating choreography, costume/props, music interpretation, audience appeal. Eligibility rules of the corresponding freeskating level apply to all showcase events. Vocal music may be used. Any prop must be hand-held and may **NOT** be placed on the ice or boards at any time during the program. Groups will be divided according to Free Skate Test Level. Men & Ladies will be grouped together.

| SHOWCASE | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| EVENT | PROGRAM TIME |
| PRE-PRELIMINARY (no axel or doubles) | Not to exceed 1:30 min |
| PRELIMINARY (Axel permitted, no doubles) | Not to exceed 1:30 min |
| PRE-JUVENILE (Axel permitted, no doubles) | Not to exceed 2:00 min |
| JUVENILE / INTERMEDIATE (Axel & Doubles are permitted) | Not to exceed 2:30 min |
| ADULT INTERPRETIVE (must be at least 21 years old) | |
| EVENT | PROGRAM TIME |
| PRE-BRONZE / BRONZE / SILVER | 1:40 minutes |
| GOLD / MASTERS | 1:40 minutes |

IMPROVISATIONAL SKATE

Music will be chosen by the COFSC Open Committee and will be 1:00-1:30 length for all levels. Music shall be age-appropriate and gender-neutral. Ladies and Men will be grouped together. NO props may be used on the ice. Skaters will be judged on their ability to interpret the rhythm and character of the music, through edges, footwork and timing of jumps and spins. The music will be played three times during the warm-up. Groups will be divided according to Free Skate test level. No coaching will be allowed.

COMPETITIVE TEST TRACK

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but **NOT** both during the same nonqualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice. 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. **Skaters must be 20 years or younger.** The 6.0 judging system will be used. Please refer to the USFS website for the Sept 2010 specific program requirements found under "Programs".

| LEVEL | REQUIREMENTS | PROGRAM LENGTH |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| LIMITED | Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests | Up to 1:30 +/- 10 |
| BEGINNER | Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests | 1:30 +/- 10 |
| PRE- | No higher than pre-preliminary free skate test | 1:30 +/-10 |
| PRELIMINARY | Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test but no higher than the Preliminary | 1:30 +/-10 |
| PRE-JUVENILE | Preliminary Free Skate Test but no higher than Pre Juvenile | 2:00 +/-10 |
| JUVENILE | Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Test but no higher than Juvenile | 2:15 +/-10 |
| INTERMEDIATE | Juvenile Free Skate Test but no higher than Intermediate | 2:30 +/-10 |
| NOVICE | Intermediate Free Skate Test but no higher than Novice | Ladies 3:00 +/-10 ~ Men 3:30 +/-10 |
| JUNIOR | Novice Free Skate Test but no higher than Junior | Ladies 3:30 +/-10 ~ Men 4:00 +/-10 |
| SENIOR | Junior or Senior Free Skate Tests | Ladies 4:00 +/-10 ~ Men 4:30 +/-10 |

INDIVIDUAL COMPULSORY MOVES

Skaters may compete at their current freestyle test level or may skate up one level. Connecting steps are allowed, but must be limited to the minimum necessary to link elements. **All programs must be under 1 ½ minutes and will be skated without music on half-ice.**

| EVENT/ REQUIREMENT | DESCRIPTION |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Pre-Preliminary / Adult Pre-Bronze Passed no higher than Pre-Pre FS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward crossovers in a figure eight • Salchow • Waltz Jump • Forward Spiral • One foot Spin |
| Preliminary / Adult Bronze Passed no higher than Prelim FS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consecutive Forward Outside Spirals (one on each foot) • Loop jump • Jump Combination: Waltz-toe loop (no steps/turns between) • Sit Spin • Back Spin |
| Pre-Juvenile / Adult Silver Passed no higher than Pre-Juv FS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutz jump • A single jump combination, must include a loop (no step or turn between jumps) • Camel Spin • Consecutive Forward Inside Spirals (one on each foot) • Combination Spin (One change of foot, one change of position) • Flip jump |
| Juvenile / Adult Gold & Masters Passed no higher than Juv FS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axel • Split, Stag or Falling Leaf • Spin Combination (One change of foot, max. 3 changes of position) • Jump Combination (Single/Single combination – no step or turn between jumps) • MIF – eight step Mohawk sequence (one direction) • Layback or attitude spin – ladies / Camel – men • Lutz jump |

JUMP CHALLENGE

Eligibility rules of the corresponding freeskating level apply to all jump challenge events. Skaters may compete at their current freestyle test level, or skate up one level. Jumps should be skated in the order presented below, using each jump once. Only the minimum stroking, edging and turns necessary to prepare for each jump will be permitted. Girls and boys will be grouped separately, as will Ladies and Men.

All programs must be 1 minute or less and will be skated without music on half-ice.

| EVENT | DESCRIPTION |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BEGINNER | Waltz Jump; Salchow; Single-Single Combination (no Axel) |
| PRE-PRELIMINARY | Salchow; Toe Loop; Single-Single Combination (no Axel) |
| PRELIMINARY | Loop; Flip; Single/Single Combination |
| PRE-JUVENILE | Lutz; Double Toe Loop; Single/Single Combination |
| JUVENILE | Axel; Double Toe Loop; Double/Single or Double/Double combination |
| ADULT EVENTS | |
| ADULT PRE-BRONZE | Waltz Jump; Half-Flip; Salchow |
| ADULT BRONZE | Salchow; Toe Loop; Waltz Jump/Toe Loop Combination |
| ADULT SILVER | Loop; Flip; Loop/Toe Loop Combination |
| ADULT GOLD/MASTERS | Lutz; Axel; Two Different jump combinations (may include doubles) |

SPIN CHALLENGE

Eligibility rules of the corresponding freeskating level apply to all spin challenge events. Skaters may compete at their current freestyle level or skate up one level. Programs shall not exceed the stated times, but may be shorter. All revolutions are minimum values. Spins may be skated in any order, using each spin only once. Only the minimum stroking and edging necessary to prepare for the spin will be allowed. Ladies and Men may be grouped together. **The program will be skated on ½ ice, without music.**

| EVENT | DESCRIPTION | TIME LIMIT |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| PRE-PRELIMINARY | Forward Scratch Spin: minimum 3 revolutions Backward Scratch Spin: minimum 3 revolutions Sit Spin: minimum 3 revolutions | 1:00 Minute |
| PRELIMINARY | Forward Scratch to Back Scratch: minimum 5 revolutions Forward Sit Spin: minimum 3 revolutions Camel Spin: minimum 3 revolutions | 1:30 Minutes |
| PRE-JUVENILE | Combination Spin: 1 change of position, 1 change of foot Forward Sit Spin: minimum 4 revolutions Camel Spin: minimum 4 revolutions | 1:30 Minutes |
| JUVENILE | Flying Camel: minimum 4 revolutions Layback (Ladies)/Camel (Men): minimum 4 revolutions Combination Spin: Forward Sit to Back Sit | 1:30 Minutes |
| ADULT EVENTS | | |
| ADULT PRE-BRONZE | Two-foot Upright Spin: minimum 3 revolutions One-foot Forward Upright Spin: minimum 3 revolutions | 1:00 Minute |
| ADULT BRONZE | Forward Scratch Spin: minimum 3 revolutions Backward Scratch Spin: minimum 3 revolutions Sit Spin: minimum 3 revolutions | 1:30 Minutes |
| ADULT SILVER | Forward Scratch to Back Scratch: minimum 5 revolutions Forward Sit Spin: minimum 3 revolutions Camel Spin: minimum 3 revolutions | 1:30 Minutes |
| ADULT GOLD/MASTERS | Combination Spin: 1 change of position, 1 change of foot Forward Sit Spin: minimum 4 revolutions Camel Spin: minimum 4 revolutions | 2:00 Minutes |

SOLO DANCE

Solo dance events are open to both female and male competitors. Skaters may enter any number of events for which they are eligible. Requirements listed are the maximum testing achievements permitted to participate in that event.

| EVENT | REQUIREMENTS | DANCES |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Preliminary | Must not have passed more than 3 Preliminary Dance Tests | Dutch Waltz |
| Pre-Bronze | Must not have passed more than 3 Pre-Bronze Dance Tests | Cha Cha |
| Bronze | Must not have passed more than 3 Bronze Dance Tests | Ten Fox |
| Pre-Silver | Must not have passed more than 2 Silver Dance Tests | European Waltz |

(COUPLE) FREE DANCE

A dance couple will consist of an eligible male and female skater, both must be 21 years of age or older to skate in the Adult Category.

Team eligibility and requirements are in accordance with 2010 USFS qualifying competition rules.

Free dance is offered as listed below according to rules set forth in sections 4200-4435.

| EVENT | REQUIREMENTS | TIME |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| JUVENILE | Refer to rule 4435 Under 16 yrs of age as of Sept. 1 of this year | 2:15 min +/- 10 sec |
| INTERMEDIATE | Refer to rule 4425 Under 18 yrs of age as of Sept. 1 of this year | 2:30 min +/- 10 sec |
| ADULT EVENTS | | |
| Adult Couples must be 21 years of age or older | | |
| ADULT PRE-BRONZE | Refer to TR-54.06 | 1:40 min |
| ADULT BRONZE | Refer to TR-54.07 | 2:25 min |
| ADULT SILVER | Refer to TR-54.08 | 2:40 min |

2011 Charter Oak Open Entry Form – Postmark Deadline: 07/13/2011

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Skater's Name: _____ Street: _____ _____ City / State / Zip Code (_____) _____ (_____) _____ Home phone No. Cell phone No. _____ Email Address _____ | Age (as of 07/13/2011) | Date of Birth | Sex M F | USFSA No. |
| Home Skating Club: _____ | | | | |
| Highest Tests Passed (as of July 13, 2011) FS _____ MIF _____ Dance _____ | | | | |
| Two Coach Credentials will be distributed per skater. Please print. Professional's Name(s): _____ Professional's E-mail(s): _____ | | | | |
| EACH PARTNER MUST FILL OUT A SEPARATE ENTRY FORM Partner's Name (if applicable): _____ Partner's Home Club: _____ | | | | |

PLEASE ENTER ME IN THE FOLLOWING EVENTS - Please check all you are registering for:

Well Balanced FS

- Beginner
- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile
- Open Juvenile
- Intermediate
- Novice
- Junior
- Senior
- Adult No Test
- Adult Pre-Bronze
- Adult Bronze
- Adult Silver
- Adult Gold
- Adult Masters

Short Program

- Intermediate
- Novice
- Junior
- Senior

Test Track

- Limited Beginner
- Beginner
- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile
- Intermediate
- Novice
- Junior
- Senior

Compulsory Moves

- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile
- Adult Pre-Bronze
- Adult Bronze
- Adult Silver
- Adult Gold/Masters

Spin Challenge

- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile
- Adult Pre-Bronze
- Adult Bronze
- Adult Silver
- Adult Gold/Masters

Jump Challenge

- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile
- Adult Pre-Bronze
- Adult Bronze
- Adult Silver
- Adult Gold/Masters

Solo Dance

- Preliminary
- Pre-Bronze
- Bronze
- Pre-Silver

Couples FreeDance

- Juvenile
- Intermediate
- Adult Pre-Bronze
- Adult Bronze
- Adult Silver

Showcase

- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile/Interm.

Adult Interpretive

- Pre-Brz/Brz/Silver
- Gold/Masters

Improvisational

- Beginner
- Pre-Preliminary
- Preliminary
- Pre-Juvenile
- Juvenile/Interm.
- Adult PBrz/Brz/Silver
- Adult Gold/Masters

I certify that the above applicant is an eligible member in good standing with _____ (club).

Signature of Club Officer / Title

Date

In case of an accident, I agree to adhere to USFSA Rule 3222: Charter Oak Figure Skating, Inc, US Figure Skating, and the International Skating Center of Connecticut undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters and/or officials. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of the entries or participation therein, all entrants, their family members and officials shall be deemed to agree to assume all risk of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by, or connected with, the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, US Figure Skating, Charter Oak Figure Skating, Inc, the International Skating Center of Connecticut, and their officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Signature of Skater (Competitor)

Signature of Parent / Guardian (if skater is under 18 years old)

First Event: \$85 Second Event: \$60
Additional Event(s): \$35 per Event Couples Free Dance: \$45 per Skater

Please make checks payable to: **Charter Oak FSC** and mail to: P.O. Box 253, Simsbury, CT 06070.

Official Use Only: Date received: _____ Amount: _____ Check No.: _____ No. of Events: _____

2011 Charter Oak Open Program Skater Best Wishes Order Form

Skaters Name: _____ Parent's Name: _____
Phone #: (_____) _____ Email address: _____

Size of Message:

_____ Business card Black & White Ad (\$10) – 10 words or less

Choose the Type of Font:

_____ Sample _____ *Sample* _____ **SAMPLE** _____ *Sample* _____ *Sample*

Circle the Graphic of your Choice:

_____ No Graphic



Place message in box below. Please print clearly:

Example



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Postmark by July 23rd, 2011.