



2016 – 2017

General Technical Package

Categories offered at Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Competitions

All Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Event Announcements shall take precedence to the information in this document.

STARSkate Invitationals/Region Opens/NWT Territorials	Combined & Competitive Invitational Competitions
STAR 1 – 5 STAR 6 – 10 and Gold Freeskate Special Olympics Freeskate Level 1 – 6 Adult Supplementary Events: Introductory to Gold Interpretive Couples Introductory to Gold Interpretive STAR 2 – Open Team Events Showcase Singles 3 & 4 Element Events Bronze to Gold Creative Skating Skills	Pre-Juvenile – Senior Competitive Singles Pre-Juvenile – Senior Competitive Dance Pre-Juvenile – Senior Competitive Pairs STAR 3 – 5 (<i>STAR 3 optional</i>) STAR 6 – 10 and Gold Freeskate
Synchronized Skating	STARSkate & Adult Championships
Beginner I,II Elementary Intermediate Juvenile – Senior Open Adult Sys Class I,II,III	STAR 4 – 5 STAR 6 – 10 and Gold Freeskate Triathlon Introductory – Gold Interpretive Adult Special Olympics Freeskate Level 1 – 6

Eligibility to Compete

Competitive Events Age as of July 1, 2016:

Pre Juvenile
Singles U11, U13 / Pair U14 / Dance U14
Juvenile
Singles U12, U14 / Pair U16 / Dance U16
Pre Novice
Singles U16 / Pair U18 / Dance U18
Novice
Singles U17 / Pair No Age / Dance ISU Junior Age
Junior
Singles ISU Junior Age / Pair No Age / Dance ISU Junior Age
Senior
Singles No Age / Pair No Age / Dance No Age

STARSKATE Events Age as of July 1, 2016:

STAR 1 – No Age (may be grouped according to age)
STAR 2 – No Age (may be grouped according to age)
STAR 3 – No Age (may be grouped according to age)
STAR 4 – U10 / U13 / 13&O
STAR 5 – U10 / U13 / 13&O

Registration Details:

1. Proof of age will be required to register for events with age restrictions. Competitors in age restricted categories may be required to show proof of age at a competition, and should carry their birth certificate with them to each competition.
2. Any skater entered in an age-restricted category, for which they are not qualified, shall be disqualified. The skater will not be permitted to change categories after the designated change cut-off date as indicated in the announcement. Entry fees shall not be refunded after the registration deadline.
3. Registration deadlines shall be set by the host committee and the Technical Representative. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the technical representative in consultation with the host competition chair (should there be the availability of resources to allow for a late entry). Double the entry fee shall apply to all late entries. The allowance of late entries will be indicated in the announcement.
4. Registration in a category one level up is permitted in non-qualifying events, *except the STARSkate Introductory Interpretive. All skaters registering for the Introductory Interpretive event must have passed the Introductory Interpretive Test.*

Competitive Skaters and STARSkate Competition Event Eligibility:

COMPETITIVE SKATER Definition – a skater at the Juvenile level and higher who is currently registered with Skate Canada as a “COMPETITIVE” skater.

Competitive skaters registered to compete in any event at the Novice level or higher at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition do not qualify to compete in STARSkate events in any category at any level. Skaters registered to compete in the Juvenile and Pre-Novice level at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition may register to compete in event categories at the STARSkate level other than those competed in at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition.

NOTE: STARSkate events include freeskate and interpretive singles events only. Competitive skaters may enter recreational events (ie: team events, interpretive couples). All other skaters, including Synchronized skaters, are classified as STARSkate athletes and are eligible to compete at STARSkate competitions

Competitive Category (registered for Sectionals or Sectional qualifying event).	Events skaters are eligible to enter at STARSkate events.
Novice and higher in Singles, Pairs & Dance	No events
Juvenile – Pre-Novice <u>Competitive Dance</u>	Free Skate, Pairs, Interpretive, Skating Skills, Triathlon
Juvenile – Pre-Novice <u>Competitive Singles</u>	Pairs, Dance, Interpretive, Skating Skills
Juvenile – Pre-Novice <u>Competitive Pairs</u>	Free Skate, Dance, Interpretive, Skating Skills, Triathlon
Synchronized Skater	All events

Warm-Up Times

The following Warm-Up times are standardized by Skate Canada:

Team Events	3 minutes
Creative Skills	5 minutes
Interpretive	4 minutes
Competitive Singles & Pairs	6 minutes
Pattern Dance	1 minute without music/ 3 minutes with music
Short/Free Dance	5 minutes
STAR 1	4 minutes
STAR 2	4 minutes
STAR 3	4 minutes
STAR 4	4 minutes
STAR 5	4 minutes
STAR 6	5 minutes
STAR 7	5 minutes
STAR 8	5 minutes
STAR 9	5 minutes
STAR 10	5 minutes
Gold Freeskate	5 minutes

All other events as specified in the Skate Canada Rulebook

Warm up Period for Synchronized Skating:

Each team shall be allowed one (1) minute of warm up on the competition ice surface immediately prior to the performance (all categories). A team must not take more than thirty (30) seconds to enter the ice prior to the warm up (this time will begin from the moment the first skater enters the ice surface) and thirty (30) seconds to exit the ice after the program has ended. No music will be played.

Music

1. Music registration

- a. Each skater or team shall register ALL music at the music registration desk.
- b. Each skater or team shall register 2 copies of each program (2 CD's). Coaches/skaters are recommended to carry a backup CD and/or iPod or similar device.

2. Labeling

Skaters or Team's first and last name(s), category name, total music time (not skating time) and home club shall be clearly printed:

- a. Identify the CD by writing on the front of the CD using a permanent marker.
- b. DO NOT write on the recorded side of CD
- c. Label the back of the CD case. Do not apply stick on labels to the CD.

3. Recording Specifications

- a. Only one program (using one track only) shall be recorded on each CD.
- b. Music shall be recorded on the CD not less than .25 second and not more than .5 second after the PLAY button is pressed on the CD player.

Scheduling

When scheduling, every attempt will be made to avoid conflicts. Should conflicts be unavoidable (in non-qualifying events), there will be no revisions made to the schedule. It is the responsibility of the skater to notify the host committee of a conflict, and the skater will be required to choose the category he/she will skate. If notified in advance of the competition (by the change deadline as indicated in the announcement), the skater will be given a full refund.