



# ANNOUNCEMENT

## 2018 SKATE CANADA ALBERTA-NWT/NUNAVUT SECTIONALS

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<b>Dates:</b>	<b>November 2 – 5, 2017</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>ATB Centre 74 Mauretania Road W Lethbridge, AB</b>
<b>Hosted By:</b>	<b>Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut</b>
<b>Sanctioned By:</b>	<b>Skate Canada</b>

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## **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 be completed no later than the first Sunday following November 30 of the current skating year.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The 2018 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut 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

ATB Centre  
74 Mauretania Road W  
Lethbridge, AB

East Arena and West Arena – Ice Surface Size 85' x 200'

## ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

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
- (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.

All Non-Canadian citizens interested in competing in the 2017-2018 Skate Canada Qualifying Competitions are required to complete the [NON-CANADIAN CITIZEN APPLICATION](#). In order to be eligible to compete in the 2017-2018 Skate Canada Qualifying Competition, you must present an "Acceptance" letter from the Skate Canada National Office when you register for entry into the 2017-2018 Qualifying Competition.

Please complete the [NON-CANADIAN CITIZEN APPLICATION](#) and forward it to the attention of Laura Baker, High Performance Analyst postmarked by no later than August 22, 2017.

- (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)

- (1) **TEST PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the tests as listed in the Qualifying Competition Handbook (see above) before October 1<sup>st</sup> 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.
- (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

Entry forms must be submitted online at <https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/pages/2018Sectionals/> with entry fees no later than **Monday, September 25, 2017 at 12:00pm (noon) MST.**

You will be required to upload the following items in order to complete your registration:

- Proof of Canadian Citizenship
- Proof of Age
- Proof of Tests Passed
- Proof of Minimum Technical Element Score achieved (if applicable)

The acceptance of late entries is at the discretion of the Section in consultation with the technical representative.

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



### **Entry Fees**

Entry fees are as follows:

Singles:	Pre-Juvenile to Juvenile	\$150/entry
	Pre-Novice to Senior	\$200/entry
Dance:	Pre-Juvenile	\$150/couple (\$75/entry)
	Juvenile to Senior	\$200/couple (\$100/entry)
Pair:	Pre-Juvenile to Juvenile	\$150/couple (\$75/entry)
	Pre-Novice to Senior	\$200/couple (\$100/entry)

**NOTE:** For pairs and dance events, each partner must submit a registration for the couple's registration to be complete.

All payments must be made online through the Uplifter registration system at the time of registration.

**PLANNED PROGRAM SHEETS:** Planned Program Sheets are required for all events. Planned programs must be submitted by **12:00pm (noon) MST on October 26, 2017**. There will be a \$20 fee for failing to register your Planned Program Sheet by the deadline. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until the late fee has been paid and their Planned Program Sheet completed.

**NOTE: If you have submitted a planned program sheet for a Section competition in the 2017 – 2018 season, you are only required to submit a new planned program sheet if there has been a change to your program. Only the most recent version will be used.**

Submit your Planned Program Sheets here:

<https://skateabregistration.wufoo.eu/forms/r15f2qvh1xcjx4v/>

### **RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY**

Refer to **Qualifying Competition Handbook, [paragraph 530](#)** (5)

### **TEST AND AGE PREREQUISITES FOR COMPETING**

Refer to **Qualifying Competition Handbook, [paragraph 510](#)**

Please note the following information as it relates to STAR test equivalencies:

- Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile and Pre-Novice Singles and Pair skaters must have passed either the former Junior Bronze Free Skate test OR the new STAR 5 Free Skate Program test.
- Pre-Juvenile Dance – skaters must have passed either the former Junior Bronze level dance for Fiesta Tango and Willow Waltz OR the new STAR 4b: Fiesta Tango and STAR 5a: Willow Waltz.
- Juvenile Dance – skaters must have passed either the former Junior Bronze level dance for the Willow Waltz OR the new STAR 5a: Willow Waltz.



Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut requires the following minimum Technical Element Score (TES) for registration in the 2018 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Sectionals:

- Pre-Juvenile U11 Women      TES 8
- Juvenile U12 & U14 Women    TES 10
- Pre-Novice Women              TES 18
- Novice Women                  TES 22
- Junior Women                  TES 24
- Senior Women                  TES 30

## **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 ALBERTA-NWT/NUNAVUT SECTIONALS (Qualifying Competition Handbook [paragraph 520](#))**

### **1. PRE-JUVENILE EVENTS**

- (a) **PRE-JUVENILE U11 WOMEN'S SINGLES & PRE-JUVENILE U11 & U13 MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions shall consist of one part: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
  - (i) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) **PRE-JUVENILE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of one part: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
  - (i) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (c) **PRE-JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of one part: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)
  - (i) **PATTERN DANCES**  
Dances to be skated as per the 2017-2018 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section draw are the Fiesta Tango and Willow Waltz.

2. **JUVENILE EVENTS**

(a) **JUVENILE U12 & U14 WOMEN'S SINGLES & JUVENILE U12 & U14 MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions shall consist of one part: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)

(i) **FREE PROGRAM**

(b) **JUVENILE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of one part: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)

(i) **FREE PROGRAM**

(c) **JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of two parts: (refer to the Skate Canada Technical Requirements for the current season)

(i) **PATTERN DANCES**

Dances to be skated as per the 2017-2018 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Willow Waltz and Keats Foxtrot.

(ii) **FREE DANCE**

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**

Dances to be skated as per the 2017-2018 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Rocker Foxtrot and Paso Doble.

(ii) **FREE DANCE**

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**  
Dances to be skated as per the 2017-2018 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Cha Cha Congelado and Argentine Tango.
- (ii) **FREE DANCE**

5. **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**



6. **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 AND PRACTICE ICE FOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (Qualifying Competition Handbook paragraph 520, 8(i –j))**

- (1) **REGISTRATION:** Unless otherwise listed in the event announcement competitors must register for the competition before their official practice session immediately prior to the first portion of their event.
- (2) **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.

**Please note: Skaters must visit the Registration desk to receive their accreditation tag and hand in both their Short and Free program music when applicable prior to accessing practice ice or for their competition event. Skaters must wear their accreditation tag to access dressing rooms, practice ice and competition ice areas.**

**Note: Official practice ice is available for Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior categories only.**

## ACCREDITATION FOR COACHES

[Skate Canada Policies and Procedures](#) shall apply.

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

- Meet the NCCP Requirements for the level of athlete attending with
- 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 Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior event categories.

## **MUSIC**

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights societies.

Competitors who have music composed specifically for their programs either wholly or in part, are responsible for obtaining a written release from the composer for the use of such music on radio and/or 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 – as per section guidelines

## **AWARDS**

Standard Skate Canada Sectional medals will be presented to the top three finishers of each event. 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 shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded. The presentation schedule will be available at registration.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

Listed below is the official hotel for the event.

### **Holiday Inn Lethbridge**

2375 Mayor Magrath Dr S  
Lethbridge, AB  
T1K 7M1

Rate: \$129 including breakfast

Below is the online link and the block code is STC. Block booking deadline for the rate is October 7, 2017.

<https://www.holidayinn.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=hi&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=YQLHI&PMID=99801505&GPC=STC&viewfullsite=true>

## ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate Canada, the Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut 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 and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### **Camera Policy**

Flash photography is not permitted. 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.

There will be a photographer on site with "On Sight Photo" where you will be able to purchase professional pictures taken of your skater(s).

### **Live Streaming / Photography**

The event may be photographed and/or live streamed. By virtue of your registration for the competition, you are consenting to being included in the live streaming/photography of this event that will help to train others and to promote skating in Canada. You release Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut, its officers and employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the video & audio recordings. By attending and competing at the competition, you waive any right to inspect or approve any video or audio recordings taken by Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut. If you do not wish to have your skate photographed or live streamed, inform the Competition Chair of the event. We cannot guarantee that you will not be photographed or live streamed but we will do our best to accommodate the request.

## TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets can be purchased at the event. The pricing for tickets are as follows:

TICKETS	DETAILS	PRICE OF TICKET
All Event Pass	Adult	\$10
	Senior / Child (60+ / 7-12 years)	\$5
	Children 6 & Under	FREE
Daily Pass	Adult	\$5
	Senior / Child (60+ / 7-12 years)	\$3
	Children 6 & Under	FREE

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