

# 2020 NW/NE STARSkate Invitational

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**SYNCHRONIZED SKATING ASSESS TO STANDARD EVENTS**



**January 31 - February 2, 2020**

**Scott Safety Centre – Whitecourt Twin Arenas  
72 Sunset Blvd  
Whitecourt, AB**



**Sanction #1005**

## HOST CLUB & EVENT INFORMATION

**Event Name** 2020 NW/NE STARSkate Invitational

**Event Dates** January 31 – February 2, 2020

**Host Club Name** Whitecourt Skating Club

### Competition Chair

**NAME** Natasha Smith  
**EMAIL / PHONE NUMBER** [wsccompetition@gmail.com](mailto:wsccompetition@gmail.com) / 780-286-9896

### Registration Chair

**NAME** Central Online Registration  
**EMAIL / PHONE NUMBER** [skateabreg@gmail.com](mailto:skateabreg@gmail.com)

### Technical Representative

**NAME** Kristen Belcourt (Pre-Event Only) Christine Low (Onsite Only)  
**EMAIL** [kristen.belcourt@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.belcourt@gmail.com) [low@ualberta.ca](mailto:low@ualberta.ca) / 780-999-5546

### Arena Details

**Name:** Scott Safety Centre – Whitecourt Twin Arenas  
**Address:** 72 Sunset Blvd, Whitecourt, AB  
**Ice Surface Dimensions:** Athabasca – 200' x 85', McLeod – 190' x 85'

**Registration Times:** Registration begins 1 hour before the 1<sup>st</sup> event of each day.

### Accommodation Information

**Hotel:** Kanata Whitecourt  
**Address:** 3315 33 St, Whitecourt, AB  
**Phone:** 780-706-3900  
**Room Rate:** \$100 - \$180 + GST (there is no group rate for the competition)  
[https://www.hotelsone.com/whitecourt-hotels-ca/the-kanata-by-bcminns-whitecourt.html?as=g&aid=158094093111&dsti=625393&dstt=8&akw=kanata%20whitecourt&asrc=Search&ast=&gclid=CjwKCAiAxMLvBRBNEiwAKhr-nE4YEbCiB9umxTj-kHVRZtYc5JMExlGxABYBVUCYsAEpBTnCkfx3nRoCkiIQAvD\\_BwE](https://www.hotelsone.com/whitecourt-hotels-ca/the-kanata-by-bcminns-whitecourt.html?as=g&aid=158094093111&dsti=625393&dstt=8&akw=kanata%20whitecourt&asrc=Search&ast=&gclid=CjwKCAiAxMLvBRBNEiwAKhr-nE4YEbCiB9umxTj-kHVRZtYc5JMExlGxABYBVUCYsAEpBTnCkfx3nRoCkiIQAvD_BwE)

**Hotel:** Microtel  
**Address:** 3315 33 St, Whitecourt, AB  
**Phone:** 866-238-4218  
**Room Rate:** \$100 - \$150 + GST (there is no group rate for the competition)  
<https://www.guestreservations.com/microtel-inn-suites-by-wyndham-whitecourt/booking?checkIn=12%2F11%2F2019&checkOut=12%2F12%2F2019&rooms=1&adults%5B1%5D=2&children%5B1%5D=0&currency=CAD>

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Event is being held under the current rules of the Association Official Rulebook. The nature of the Event is defined in the Skate Canada Rule Book > Competitions. The Association reserves the right to alter the overall procedures to be followed during any part of the Event, if such alteration is considered to be in the best interest of the skaters or the Association. The Technical Representative, Chief Referee, or Senior Referee present will be the agent of the Association in such an instance.

2. **CATEGORIES:** The following Categories are to be held:

**STAR Freeskate Events:**

STAR 1  
STAR 2  
STAR 3  
STAR 4: U10, U13, 13 & Over  
STAR 5: U10, U13, 13 & Over  
STAR 6  
STAR 8  
STAR 10  
Gold Freeskate  
Pre-Juvenile Women U13

**STAR Short Program Events:**

STAR 7  
STAR 9

**Artistic Events:**

STAR 5 Artistic  
STAR 7 Artistic  
STAR 9 Artistic  
Gold Artistic

**Team Element Events:**

STAR 2  
STAR 3  
STAR 4  
STAR 5  
STAR 6  
STAR 7/8  
STAR 9/10  
Gold  
Open

**Adult Freeskate Events:**

Adult Intro Open Freeskate  
Adult Bronze Freeskate  
Adult Silver Freeskate  
Adult Gold Freeskate  
Adult Masters Freeskate  
Adult Masters Elite Freeskate

**Adult Interpretive Events:**

Adult Intro Interpretive  
Adult Bronze Interpretive  
Adult Silver Interpretive  
Adult Gold Interpretive  
Adult Elite Interpretive

**Special Olympics Freeskate Events:**

Special Olympics Level 1 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Level 2 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Level 3 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Level 4 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Level 5 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Level 6 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Open Freeskate  
Special Olympics Masters Level 1/2 Freeskate  
Special Olympics Masters Level 3/4 Freeskate

**Synchronized Skating Events:**

Beginner I  
Beginner II  
Elementary

**STAR:**

[2019-2020 STAR Competition Program Requirements](#)

**Special Olympics:**

[2019-2020 Special Olympics Competition Program Requirements](#)

**Adult:**

[2019-2020 Adult Competition Program Requirements](#)

**Synchronized Skating:**

[2019-2020 Synchro Assess to Standard Competition Program Requirements](#)

3. **ENTRY FEES:**

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Events Offered	Fees	Multiple Event Discount
STAR 1	\$90 per skater	\$30 discount for additional events a competitor registers in
STAR 2 – 10, Gold Freeskate, Pre-Juvenile Women U13	\$120 per skater	
STAR 5 – Gold Artistic	\$120 per skater	
Adult Events	\$120 per skater	
Special Olympics Freeskate	\$90 per skater	
Team Element Events	\$100 per team	
Synchronized Skating Events	\$265 per team + \$35 per skater (including alternates)	Does not apply to STAR 1, Team or Synchro Events
<b>Note:</b> \$5 from every entry fee is paid to the Section to help support the programs and services the Section provides.		

4. **PRACTICE ICE:** No practice ice will be available.

5. **SCHEDULE OF PRACTICE TIMES AND EVENT SCHEDULE:** A schedule will be posted on the Section website - [www.skateabnwnun.ca](http://www.skateabnwnun.ca).

6. **ENTRIES:** Entrants in Events shall be:

- a) Eligible persons as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book > Competitions > 2.1
- b) Be Associate members in good standing of the Association.

**Restriction of Entries** – If necessary, entries will be capped at 700 to adhere to the Section guidelines for hours of competition. Competition may not begin before 12pm on Friday, may not run more than 12 hours on Saturday, and must be completed by 5pm on Sunday. Approval from the Competition Committee is required to go outside of these restrictions.

**Skaters entering multiple events do so with the understanding that there may be conflicts that cannot be resolved.**

7. **SKATING UP:** Skating up one level is permitted, however skaters are permitted to enter only one level per category (ie: one freeskate event, one artistic event).

8. **CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES:** All entries must be received no later than **January 8, 2020 at 12:00pm (noon) MT**. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that their entry is submitted through the online registration system by the closing date. All test requirements must be passed by the closing date of entries.

9. **LATE ENTRIES:** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Technical Representative and if space permits in the event. Entries received after the deadline date will have a late entry fee of \$100 applied per entry. Late entries may be accepted up until **January 10, 2020 at 12:00pm (noon) MT**. No entries will be accepted after the late entry registration deadline.

10. **REFUND OF ENTRY FEES:** Entry fees shall be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the date of close of entries. There will be a **\$10.00** administration fee applied to all withdrawal refunds. **After the closing date of entries (January 8) there will be no refunds given for any reason, including medical pulls. No exceptions.**
11. **MARKING SYSTEM:** STAR will be judged as per the STAR Event Management Guide. Synchronized Skating Assess to Standard will be judged as per the Synchronized Skating Learn to Train Event Management Guide. All other events will be judged using the CPC marking system.
12. **DRAW:** As per Skate Canada Competitions rule 3.2, the random draw will be used for subsequent starting order draws (where applicable).
13. **MUSIC REGISTRATION:**  
Each skater or pair will provide: **2 CDs (1 marked "Master")** copies must be turned in at registration. Information regarding the requirements and standards for music are listed in the Section Technical Package as posted on the Section's website: [www.skateabnwtun.ca](http://www.skateabnwtun.ca). Competitors are responsible for the recovery of their own music at the completion of the event.
14. **ACCIDENTS:** The Association and Committee of the Host Club undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skater. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in this event, 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. An agreement must also be deemed to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the Association, the Host Club, and their officers. Entries shall be accepted only in accordance with these conditions.
15. **ON-SITE REGISTRATION:** Skaters must register at least one hour prior to the start of their scheduled category or practice. Music must be turned in at the time of first registration (**2 copies of music must be registered**). Skaters must report to the Ice Captain one hour prior to their scheduled Category.
16. **FLIGHT SYSTEM:** If the number of competitors in a category warrants it, a flight system will be used.
17. **EVENT SPECIFICATIONS:** In normal circumstances, each category offered at the competition will be held for men and women separately. It is permissible for events that do not progress skaters on to a subsequent level of Interclub competition to combine events as follows:
  - (a) Combine two or more categories in the same event when each category has fewer than three entries;
  - (b) Combine two or more categories in the same event when one category has insufficient entries to hold the event;The decision to combine categories is at the discretion of the Technical Representative with the input of the Host Committee.  
Categories may be combined, due to low entries for either age categories (ie: U10, U13, 13O) or combined male/female events.
15. **CANCELLATION OF EVENTS:** The host club reserves the right to cancel events.
16. **COACH ACCREDITATION:** All coaches must be minimally NCCP Regional Coach In Training and carry proof of current membership within the Association and a valid First Aid certificate. Coaches will be required to register at the registration desk.
17. **WARM UP TIMES:** Skate Canada has standardized warm up times for all events. Refer to the Section Technical Package as posted on the Section's website: [www.skateabnwtun.ca](http://www.skateabnwtun.ca) for all warm up times.
18. **AWARDS:** It is the responsibility of any skater receiving a medal to wear their skates and skating attire for the medal presentation.

19. **PICTURES & VIDEOS:** Persons wishing to take photographs of on ice performances are reminded that use of flash cameras is forbidden. The use of video cameras must be restricted to areas that do not hamper the skaters or officials. **NOTE:** You may only take pictures or videos of your own skater.
20. **PROTEST POLICY:** Skate Canada Protest Policy for competitions using CPC will be followed. In addition, if there is an event using manual calculation where the results are not posted within one hour of the completion of the last event of the day, the protest must be made to the Event Referee within the first hour of the following day's competition. If the Event Referee is unavailable, the protest may be made to the Technical Representative or Chief Referee.
21. **LEADING EDGE SERIES:** The Section is proud to offer the Leading Edge Series to provide skaters an additional pathway of recognition for their accomplishments achieved throughout a skating season. All Alberta-NWT/Nunavut skaters that are entered into a Section competition are automatically entered into the Leading Edge Series. Visit the Section website for complete details about the Series.

### **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:**

**REGISTRATION CHANGES:** After the registration deadline date, changes to entries will only be made by the Technical Representative. Confirm which event to register in with your coach before submitting your registration. No changes will be made after **January 17, 2020**.

**PROOF OF AGE:** For all categories, age shall be the age of the skater before **July 1, 2019**. You do not have to submit your proof of age document when registering. Please bring the skater's birth certificate to the competition so that it may be produced upon request. If you cannot produce proof of age when requested, the skater may be withdrawn from the event. It is your responsibility to ensure the skater is entered in the correct category according to Skate Canada's age and test requirements.

**PLANNED PROGRAM SHEETS:** Planned Program Sheets are required for:

- STAR 5 & higher Freeskate Events
- STAR Short Program Events
- Adult Freeskate Events
- Special Olympics Events
- Alberta & Arctic Winter Games Events

There will be a \$20 fee for failing to register Planned Program Sheets by **January 24, 2020 at 12:00pm (noon) MT**. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until the late fee has been paid and a Planned Program Sheet has been completed.

If a skater has submitted a planned program for the current skating season (starting August 2019), a new planned program does not need to be submitted. Changes to elements from previously submitted planned programs can be done by logging into your Uplifter account (<https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/>) and selecting "Update Invoice Information".

Note – Planned programs will not be transferred between categories, ensure you have a planned program submitted for each category you have entered (ie: Juvenile and STAR 6 require different planned program submissions).

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

- All registrations must be completed using the Uplifter online registration form
- Refer to the [How to Register](#) link on the Skate Alberta-NWT/Nunavut registration site for detailed instructions
- All payments must be paid online using a credit card at the time of registration

### **REGISTER HERE**

<https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/>

**Registration must be completed by January 8, 2020 at 12:00pm (noon) MT**

### **SUBMIT PLANNED PROGRAM SHEET HERE**

<https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/>

**Planned Program Sheets must be submitted by January 24, 2020 at 12:00pm (noon) MT**

*New this season - planned programs will be submitted through Uplifter. See "How to Submit a Planned Program" link on the registration page for assistance in completing your planned program content sheet.*

## **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.

All video recordings will be archived and posted to the Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Daily Motion website. 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.

## **COMPETITION CONTACTS**

In an effort to simplify the registration and communication process and ensure timely and correct responses, please use the following contacts.

- For inquiries relating to competition registration including:
  - Access to the Uplifter form
  - Confirmation of registration and payment
  - Corrections to registration submissions
  - Withdrawals prior to the registration deadline**Central Registration – [skateabreg@gmail.com](mailto:skateabreg@gmail.com)**
- For inquiries relating to competition information including:
  - Technical information
  - Competition schedule
  - Event flights
  - Withdrawals after the registration deadline**Technical Representative      Kristen Belcourt – [kristen.belcourt@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.belcourt@gmail.com) (pre-event only)**  
**Christine Low – [low@ualberta.ca](mailto:low@ualberta.ca) (onsite only)**
- For inquiries relating to venue logistics:  
**Competition Chair – Natasha Smith – [wsccompetition@gmail.com](mailto:wsccompetition@gmail.com)**