



## ANNOUNCEMENT

### 2021 SKATE CANADA: ALBERTA-NWT/NUNAVUT SECTIONALS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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**Dates:** October 29-November 1, 2020  
**Location:** Seven Chiefs Sportsplex  
9911 Chiila Boulevard  
Tsuut'ina Nation, Calgary, AB T2W 6H6  
**Hosted By:** Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut  
**Sanctioned By:** Skate Canada

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#### COMPETITION CONTACT INFORMATION

**Registration Inquiries:**

Central Registration  
[skateabreg@gmail.com](mailto:skateabreg@gmail.com)

**Event Inquiries:**

Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section Office  
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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.

Sectionals allows the Section to feature their talented skaters, train officials and volunteers, recognize sponsors, and provide entertaining skating for audiences at the provincial level.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The 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).

Due to the ongoing pandemic, Skate Canada has suspended competitions rules or portions of rules for the 2020-2021 season. Please see the [Skate Canada release](#) for further information.

## ICE SURFACES

### Competition & Practice Arena

Seven Chiefs Sportsplex  
9911 Chiila Boulevard  
Tsuut'ina Nation, AB T2W 6H6

### Ice Surface Size

Arena One: 85' x 200'  
Arena Two: 85' x 200'

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Listed below is the official hotel for the event:

Grey Eagle Resort & Casino  
3779 Grey Eagle Drive  
Calgary, AB  
T3E 3X8

Please Note: Block hotel booking information will be posted on the Section website.

## QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

- (1) **ASSESSMENT PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the assessments as listed in the Skate Canada Info Centre > Rule Book > Competitions before October 15<sup>th</sup>, preceding the Championships. A skater may also be considered qualified having passed a higher assessment or parts thereof as long as the minimum assessment 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.  
Note: In consideration of ISU Communication 2316, Skate Canada will extend the upper age limits for the 2020-2021 season only for the following categories:  
Junior Ice Dance  
Novice Ice Dance
  
- (3) **COMPETING IN SINGLES AT SECTIONALS:** A skater may compete in Singles events only in the Championships of the Section in which their 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.

## ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

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

- (1) **REGISTRANTS:** Be registrants in good standing of the Association.
- (2) **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 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 2020-2021 Skate Canada Qualifying Competitions are required to complete the Non-Canadian Citizen Application. In order to be eligible to compete in the 2010-2021 Skate Canada Qualifying Competition, you must present an "Acceptance" letter from the Skate Canada National Office when you register for entry into the 2020-2021 Qualifying Competition.

For more information visit the Skate Canada Info Centre > [Non-Canadian Citizens: Eligibility to Compete](#)  
**Deadline to complete the Non-Canadian Citizen Application Form: September 25, 2020.**

## ENTRY FEES

<b>Singles: Pre-Novice to Senior</b>	<b>\$290/entry, 2 practices included</b>
<b>Dance: Pre-Novice to Senior</b>	<b>\$290/team, 2 practices included</b>
<b>Pair: Pre-Novice to Senior</b>	<b>\$290/team, 2 practices included</b>

**Pair and Dance registrations: one partner is to complete the registration for the team.**

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

## 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 refunds. After the closing date of entries, there will be no refunds given for any reason, including medical pulls. No exceptions.

## ENTRY INFORMATION & ENTRY DEADLINE

Entry forms must be submitted online at <https://skateabnwtun.uplifterinc.com/> with entry fees no later than **Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 12:00pm (noon) MT.**

You will be required to upload the following items in order to complete your registration (as applicable):

- Proof of Canadian Citizenship (if born outside of Canada)
- Program Music (in MP3 format) See page 8 for complete music submission details. Ensure the correct version of music is being uploaded.

Note: Minimum Technical Element Scores have been suspended for the 2021 Sectional Championships.

**LATE ENTRIES:** The acceptance of late entries is at the discretion of the Section in consultation with the Technical Representative and subject to available space in the competition schedule. Late entries, if accepted, will have a \$100 late entry fee applied.

## PLANNED PROGRAM SHEETS & DEADLINE

Planned programs must be submitted by **12:00pm (noon) MT on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.**

Planned Program Sheets are required for all events. There will be a \$20 fee per segment 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. Planned Program Sheets will not be accepted onsite.

**Submit your Planned Program Sheets here:**

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

## RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > [Competitions](#)

## TEST AND AGE PREREQUISITES FOR COMPETING

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > [Competition Program Requirements - Competitive](#)

## MUSIC SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### Music Registration

- a. Online music registration will require each skater or team to submit an mp3 file of their program music and the music time online at the time of their registration
- b. Music files will not be kept so skaters and teams will be required to submit their music for each individual competition.
- c. Each skater or team will be required to carry a copy of their music on CD and have it available at rink-side as a backup. Cell phones, iPods, and other personal devices will not be accepted.
- d. If there have been changes to the music after the submission during the online registration, the updated music file must be uploaded by October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. New music can be re-uploaded through your Uplifter account.

### Labelling

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.

### Recording Specifications

- d. The only format for online upload of music will be mp3.
- e. Only one program (using one track only) shall be recorded on each CD.
- f. 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.

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.

## ONSITE REGISTRATION

Refer to the Skate Canada Rule Book > [Competitions](#)

Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior competitors must enter the building at their assigned arrival time to register at the event.

Specific information regarding the on-site registration process will be sent out to skaters and coaches prior to the event.

## PRACTICE ICE

**Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior categories:** official practice ice is provided for these categories and is included in the cost of the registration fees.

Only **one** coach will be allowed at ice level for the practice as determined by the skater/team.

## WARM UP GROUPS

As per Skate Canada Competitions rule 3.2, the sub-groups within a warm-up group draw will be used for subsequent starting order draws.

## MEDALS

Medals will not be presented on-site. The medals will be sent to the top three finishers of each event once the competition has concluded. In the case of only one entry in an event, an exhibition shall be performed but no medal shall be awarded.

## SPECTATORS

Spectators are **not** permitted at the 2021 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/NUN Sectional Championships.

Should a skater be unable to register themselves on-site, a Parent will be admitted into the facility to assist in the registration process for no longer than 15 minutes.

## SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > [Competitions](#)

## SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > [Competitions](#)

## SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENTS

Refer to [Skate Canada Guides](#) for the current season Technical Requirements for each category

### 1. PRE-NOVICE EVENTS

- (a) **PRE-NOVICE WOMEN SINGLES & PRE-NOVICE MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions will consist of two parts:
  - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
  - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) **PRE-NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of two parts:
  - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
  - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (c) **PRE-NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of two parts:
  - (i) **PATTERN DANCES**  
Dances to be skated as per the 2020-2021 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Tango and Blues.
  - (ii) **FREE DANCE**

### 2. NOVICE EVENTS

- (a) **NOVICE WOMEN SINGLES & NOVICE MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions will consist of two parts:
  - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
  - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) **NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of two parts:
  - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
  - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**

(c) **NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of two parts:

(i) **PATTERN DANCES**

Dances to be skated as per the 2020-2021 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Blues and Westminster Waltz.

(ii) **FREE DANCE**

### 3. JUNIOR EVENTS

(a) **JUNIOR WOMEN SINGLES & JUNIOR MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions shall consist of two parts:

(i) **SHORT PROGRAM**

(ii) **FREE PROGRAM**

(b) **JUNIOR PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of two parts:

(i) **SHORT PROGRAM**

(ii) **FREE PROGRAM**

(c) **JUNIOR DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of two parts:

(i) **RHYTHM DANCE**

(ii) **FREE DANCE**

### 4. SENIOR EVENTS

(a) **SENIOR WOMEN SINGLES AND MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions shall consist of two parts:

(i) **SHORT PROGRAM**

(ii) **FREE PROGRAM**

(b) **SENIOR PAIR SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of two parts:

(i) **SHORT PROGRAM**

(ii) **FREE PROGRAM**

(c) **SENIOR ICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition shall consist of two parts:

(i) **RHYTHM DANCE**

(ii) **FREE DANCE**

## COACHES ACCREDITATION

[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 in good standing

## 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	Sectionals and Regional Synchronized Skating	Skate Canada Challenge	National Skating Championships	Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships	Member In-Good Standing	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	✓	✓	National Coach
Open	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	National Coach

### ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Coaches who are in the process of achieving an NCCP certification may be considered for accreditation provided they have an in-training or trained status in the same context that certification is required. Approval as such is granted at the Section level. Please contact [coaching@skateabnwtnun.ca](mailto:coaching@skateabnwtnun.ca) to receive approval.
- Non-resident coaches who do not have an NCCP status may be considered for accreditation provided that a valid screening is provided at time of competition entry and on-site at the event.

Two coaches per entry will be accredited. Only **one** coach will be permitted at ice level as determined by the skater/team.

Coaches are required wear their accreditation tag to access dressing rooms, practice ice and competition ice areas. Specific information regarding the event accreditation process will be sent to coaches prior to the event.

### JUDGING SYSTEM

The Cumulative Points Calculation (CPC) Judging System will be used for all event categories.

### ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

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, Skate Canada, the volunteer team and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.



## **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.)

## **CAMERA POLICY**

Flash photography is not permitted. There will be a photographer onsite 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 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section Office. We cannot guarantee that you will not be photographed or live streamed, but we will do our best to accommodate the request.