



AB | NT | NU

2025 SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ANNOUNCEMENT

Dates: October 31 – November 3, 2024
Location: Terwillegar Recreation Centre
2051 Leger Road
Edmonton, Alberta
Hosted By: Skate AB | NT | NU & Derrick Skating Club
Sanctioned By: Skate Canada

COMPETITION CONTACT INFORMATION

Registration Inquiries:

Central Registration
skateabreg@gmail.com

Event Inquiries:

Skate AB | NT | NU 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.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Skate AB | NT | NU 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).

FACILITY

ARENA DETAILS

Facility: Terwillegar Recreation Centre
Address: 2051 Leger Road, Edmonton, AB

ICE SURFACES

Rink A: 85' x 200' (competition rink)
Rink B: 85' x 200' (practice rink)

EVENT CONTACT INFORMATION

For Inquiries about Uplifter and the Registration Process:

- Access to the Uplifter form
- Confirmation of registration and payment
- Corrections to registration submissions – submit using the online form on the AB/NT/NU website
- Planned Programs and Music Submission Questions
- Withdraws – submit using the online form on the AB/NT/NU website

Email/Phone: skateabreg@gmail.com / 780-415-0465

For inquiries relating to the competition information including:

- Technical information
- Competition schedule
- Facility questions

Email: events@skateabnwtun.ca

HOST HOTEL

Host Hotel information will be posted on the Section website Sectionals page.

REGISTRATION FEES & DEADLINE DATES

ENTRY FEES

Category	Entry Fee
Juvenile U10, U12, U14 Singles	\$150 per skater, no practice ice included
Pre-Novice to Senior Singles	\$350 per skater, 2 practices included
Pre-Juvenile Dance	\$150 per team, no practice ice included
Juvenile Dance	\$300 per team, no practice ice included
Pre-Novice to Senior Dance	\$400 per team, 2 practices included
Juvenile Pair	\$150 per team, no practice ice included
Pre-Novice to Senior Pair	\$400 per team, 2 practices included

Pair and Dance Team Registrations: ONE partner is to complete the registration for the team.

CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES - Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 12:00pm (noon) MT

All entries must be received by the closing date of entries. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that their entry is submitted by the closing date.

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 be charged a \$100 late entry fee per entry or 50% of the entry fee (whichever is greater). Late entries will only be considered until **Friday, October 4, 2024, at 12:00pm (noon) MT.**

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 entry (October 1, 2024, at 12:00pm (noon) MT) there will be no refunds given for any reason, including medical pulls. No exceptions.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

HOW TO REGISTER

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

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

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

- Proof of Canadian Citizenship (if born outside of Canada)
- Program Music (in MP3 format) See page 6 for complete music submission details. Ensure the correct version of music is being uploaded.
- Proof of Minimum Technical Element Score Achieved (as applicable)

Technical Element Score (TES) Submissions are to be achieved within the following timeframe: November 2, 2023 – September 29, 2024. [Click here for complete TES details](#)

REGISTRATION CHANGES – must be submitted by October 10, 2024

Confirm which event to register in with your coach before submitting your registration. No category changes or skater information changes will be accepted after October 10, 2024. Submit your registration changes using the online form on the AB | NT | NU website.

REGISTRATION CHANGE FEE: for any changes that are required to be made to a skater's registration, there will be a \$25 Registration Change Fee applied.

PLANNED PROGRAMS & DEADLINE

Planned Program(s) - must be submitted by Wednesday, October 23, 2024, 12:00pm (noon) MT.

Planned Program(s) are required for all categories. Planned Program(s) to be submitted a minimum of once per season. If you did not submit your planned program for the 2024 Wild Rose Invitational, then you MUST submit it for Sectionals. If there are any changes made to your planned program, changes must be submitted through your Uplifter account by **October 23 at noon.**

It is the skater's responsibility to ensure that the proper planned program is detailed within your uplifter account.

Fee for not submitting planned program: There will be a \$25 fee per segment for failing to register your Planned Program(s) by the deadline date. The invoice will be sent to you through your Uplifter account. **Planned Program(s) will not be accepted onsite.**

MUSIC SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Music Registration

New this season – only USBs are being accepted as back up music. (no CD's)

- 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. **This includes music for pattern dances.**
- 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 USB 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 **Wednesday, October 23, 2024.** New music can be re-uploaded through your Uplifter account.

Labelling Skaters Music USB

Skaters or team's first and last name(s), category name and home club shall be clearly printed:

- a. Identify the USB by placing the USB in a Ziploc bag and labelling the bag. Use a permanent marker when labelling the Ziploc bag.

Recording Specifications

- b. The only format for online upload of music will be mp3.
- c. When providing a USB, ensure only the current skating programs for the event you are entering are downloaded onto the USB. Each program must be clearly specified on the USB Ziploc bag. For example: John Doe, Pre-Novice Short or Jane Smith, Junior Free

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.

EVENT DETAILS

ONSITE REGISTRATION

All competitors must check in at the registration desk at least one hour prior to their first event. Skaters must also check-in with the ice captain.

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.

Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile categories: practice ice is not included in the cost of the registration fees. Once registration has closed, practice ice for these categories may be available to purchase if space permits. Practice ice fees: \$25 per skater for a 20-minute session. **Two coaches will be permitted at ice level for the practice as determined by the skater/team. There are no refunds for practice ice purchases.**

DRAWS

As per Skate Canada Competitions rule 3.2: the draw for starting order for subsequent segments will be in reverse order. (as applicable)

MEDALS

Medals will be presented on-site. In the case of only one entry in the qualifying categories (Pre-Novice-Senior), an exhibition shall be performed but no medal shall be awarded. In the case of only one entry in Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile categories (non-qualifying) a medal will be presented.

LEADING EDGE SERIES

The Leading Edge Series medallists for the Podium Pathway singles categories will be presented at the 2025 Sectional Championships.

START ORDERS/RESULTS/DETAIL SHEETS

The start order/results and detail sheets will be posted on the Skate AB | NT | NU website. Results and detail sheets will NOT be posted or provided on-site at the event.

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. **Protests and clarification requests are to be submitted through the online form posted on the Section website.**

SECTIONALS PATTERN DANCES TO BE SKATED

Pre-Juvenile Pattern Dances: Baby Blues, Fiesta Tango

Juvenile Pattern Dances: Tenfox, European Waltz

Pre-Novice Pattern Dances: Tango, Starlight Waltz

Novice Pattern Dances: Starlight Waltz, Argentine Tango

COACHES ACCREDITATION

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

Two coaches will be permitted at ice level as determined by the skater/team.

Skate Canada Coaches must meet the following conditions:

- Meet the NCCP Requirements for the level of athlete attending with
- Be a current Skate Canada Coach in good standing

Sectionals Accreditation: Coaches must sign in at the Sectionals registration desk. Coaches must wear their Sectionals accreditation tag to access change rooms, practice arena and competition arena. If your name does not appear on the coaches list for Sectionals, coaches must be prepared to show proof of in good standing status prior to receiving accreditation.

All coaches attending a competition in the Skate AB | NT | NU Section will be required to purchase a Section accreditation tag holder and lanyard. Cost is \$20 and must be purchased prior to the event using the online form available on the Sectionals page of the Skate AB | NT | NU website.

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.

Competition Categories ↓	Domestic Events					NCCP Certification ↓
	Sectional & Regional Championships	Skate Canada Challenge	Canadian National Skating Championships	Skate Canada Trophy	Skate Canada Cup	
Pre-Juvenile & Juvenile	✓					Regional Coach
Pre-Novice	✓			✓		Provincial Coach
Novice	✓			✓	✓	Provincial Coach
Junior	✓	✓	✓			National Coach
Senior	✓	✓	✓			National Coach
Gold	✓				✓	Provincial Coach
Open	✓				✓	Provincial Coach
Elite 12	✓				✓	National Coach

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

Skate Canada Coaches in good standing who are in the process of achieving an NCCP certification may obtain a one-time exemption during one skating season. Those with a NCCP in-training or trained status may obtain temporary accreditation privileges provided the NCCP status of the coach aligns with the Competition Category and the Skate Canada event. An exemption request must be submitted to the Section for consideration and approval by Skate Canada. Please submit exemption requests by submitting the online form

available on the Sectionals page of the Skate AB | NT | NU website.

- To obtain accreditation privileges, non-resident coaches who are not registered Skate Canada coaches in good standing, must submit proof of a valid screening to safesport@skatecanada.ca from their home country prior to traveling to a Skate Canada domestic event.

LIVE STREAM VIDEO ORDERS

Capture the memories by purchasing your skaters' performances. Videos will be sent to you electronically after the event.

One program: \$30.00

Two programs: \$40.00

For those skaters that skate double disciplines, purchase up to 3 programs \$50

For those skaters that skate double disciplines, purchase up to 4 programs \$60

Deadline to purchase your skaters' videos: **November 6, 2024.**

Visit the AB | NT | NU website Sectionals page for the link to purchase videos.

JUDGING SYSTEM

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

ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate AB | NT | NU 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. You may only take photos or video of your own 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 AB | NT | NU, 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 AB | NT | NU. If you do not wish to have your skate photographed or live streamed, inform the Skate AB | NT | NU Section Office.

We cannot guarantee that you will not be photographed or live streamed, but we will do our best to accommodate the request.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

If an official photographer is secured for the event, information about how to purchase photos of your skaters' performances will be available prior to the event through the skaters and coaches' welcome letters.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

- (1) **ASSESSMENT PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the assessments by the registration deadline of October 1, 2024. 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.
- (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 anyone, 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 (pre-novice – senior categories) for Canadian Championships shall be:

- (1) **REGISTRANTS:** Be registrants in good standing of Skate Canada.
- (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 they intend in good faith to become a Canadian citizen. If the entrant is an alien minor, they 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 Skate Canada Qualifying Competitions are required to complete the Non-Canadian Citizen Application. In order to be eligible to compete in the Skate Canada Qualifying Competition, you must present an "Acceptance" letter from the Skate Canada National Office when you register for entry into the 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 for the 2024-2025 season: August 25, 2024.

RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY

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

ASSESSMENTS AND AGE PREREQUISITES FOR COMPETING

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

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.