



Toe Pick Tournament Hosted by Kraken Skating Academy 10601 5th Ave NE, Seattle WA 98125 August 11th - August 13th, 2023

Approval # 33627

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS -

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Learn to Skate USA® program and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Learn to Skate USA® program/club or any other Learn to Skate USA® program/club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All SNOWPLOW SAM AND LEARN TO SKATE USA SKATERS THROUGH BASIC 6 must skate at highest level passed or one higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including Moves in the Field or individual dances. Skaters in other events may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

2023 BASIC SKILL SERIES BY PNIC

This competition is part 2023 Basic Skill Series by PNIC. To find out detail information on series, visit PNIC Basic Skill Series

General series information:

- Skater must register to be part of the series, http://www.pacificnwinterclub.com/basic-skills-series.html before registering for competition.
- Must compete in at least 2 Basic Skill Series Competitions. List of competitions can be found on PNIC Basic Skill Series
- Skaters will earn points to get them invited to Championship Round at PNIC Championships.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

Kraken Skating Academy and Kraken Community Iceplex will be complying with all Federal, State, and Local regulations and any additional public health notices in place at the time of the competition, including recommendations from US Figure Skating. We thank you in advance for your full cooperation. In the event that a cancellation is required by LOC, a FULL refund, less processing fees, will be issued.

SKATESAFE® COMPLIANCE

For full details about SkateSafe® compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® webpage: www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe

COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA® Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

MANDATORY ATHLETES

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete SkateSafe® Training. Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-seasons are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SkateSafe® Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be SkateSafe® compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email skatesafe@usfigureskating.org for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

LOCKER ROOMS

Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available at this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive to the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but will not be permitted to change in public restrooms.

EVENT JUDGING – All Compete USA level events will be judged using the 6.0 system.

ENTRIES AND FEES – To register online with secure credit card payment visit entryeeze.com. Online entry must be completed prior to 11:59 PM on June 30th, 2023. Late entries will be accepted until July 15th, 2023, and only at the discretion of the organizers and will be subject to a \$20 late entry fee. Entry fees are per person, in U.S. dollars. There will be NO refunds after closing date unless event is canceled by Kraken Skating Academy. Registration must be completed online.

Events Offered:

Program requirements for the events listed below can be found here:

https://ltsportal.learntoskateusa.com/LearnToSkate/GetFileFromStorage?filepath=LearnToSkate%5CCompetitions%5C2019-20CompeteUSAManual.pdf

The entry fees are as follows:	1 st event	Each additional event	
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Musi	ic \$60.00	\$40.00	
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	n \$60.00	\$40.00	
Excel Free Skate (Beg. – Preliminary Plu	s) \$60.00	\$40.00	
No Test – Preliminary Free Skate	\$60.00	\$40.00	
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	\$60.00	\$40.00	
Adult Free Skate (Beg. – Bronze)	\$60.00	\$40.00	
Compete USA – Spin Challenge	\$60.00	\$40.00	
Compete USA – Jump Challenge	\$60.00	\$40.00	
Hockey Skills Challenge	\$60.00	NA	
Axel Tournament	\$40.00	NA	
Synchronized Skating Team	\$75 per team plus \$10 p	\$75 per team plus \$10 per skater	

SPECIAL EVENT:

Kraken Skating Academy Axel Tournament

Skaters who register for the axel tournament will be divided into groups based on their age. Skaters in each tournament group will be split into pairs. The 2 skaters will then go head-to-head in the axel tournament. Each skater will get to perform 2 single axel attempts. The skaters best attempt will be used, and the winner of the pair will move on to the next round. Judges will be utilizing the grade of execution (GOE) jump chart to base their decisions.

Jump Grade of Execution

- 1. very good height and distance
- 2. good take-off and landing
- 3. effortless throughout (including rhythm in a combination or sequence)
- 4. steps into a jump, unexpected or creative entry
- 5. very good body position from take-off to landing

Tournament Bracket Example.



REFUNDS - Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. Contested credit card charges will be charged a fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in events. Notification of competition times will be available by through KSA at EntryEeze.com **Sorry, online processing fee is not refundable for any reason.**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS – Competition schedules and groups will be posted on EntryEeze. Competition schedules will not be available by phone, mail, or email.

FACILITIES – The ice surface is indoors, 85' X 200', with slightly rounded corners. It is located at Kraken Community Iceplex, 10601 5th Ave NE Seattle, WA 98125

COMPETITION CHECK-IN – The official check-in desk will be located at Kraken Community Iceplex lobby, beginning 60 minutes before the start of first event of the competition. All Competitors are required to check-in as soon as possible after arrival at the rink. Although every effort is made to remain on schedule, for various reasons skating competitions occasionally run ahead of schedule or behind schedule; be sure to arrive with ample time to accommodate schedule.

AWARDS – Everyone who competes will receive an award. There will be no more than six competitors in an event and all six will receive an award. All events will be final rounds. Awards will be given at the photographer's table immediately after the official posting of each event. Award photographs will be taken (or space will be provided for family photos) and we ask that all award winners pose for the group picture even if you do not plan on purchasing a picture.

ADMISSION - No admission will be charged.

MUSIC UPLOAD/SUBMISSION - Online music submission is the ONLY acceptable method to submit the program music. After you have paid for your events, the system will prompt you to upload your music for each event that requires music. If your music is not available at that time, you can logout of your account and return later to upload your music by going to the "Competition" tab and then selecting "My Music." Please be sure you are uploading the correct music for the correct event segment. Be careful, for example, not to mix up your short program and your free skate! All music must be uploaded by July 15, 2023, 11:59PM PT.

The uploaded program music MUST conform to the following specifications:

Programs per file: One (1) - Only one piece of competition program music (e.g., Well balanced, Showcase, Interpretive etc.) per file is allowed.

mp3 - The uploaded file music must be an mp3 file (MPEG-1 or MPEG-2 Audio Layer III). Simply changing the file extension to "mp3" from another file format is not acceptable.

192 kbps is requested (bit rates between 128 and 320 kbps will be accepted). Maximum file size: 10 MB

Maximum run time: Five (5 minutes)

ID3 Metadata (tags): None - The Chief Music Coordinator strongly requests that mp3 files DO NOT contain any ID3 metadata, commonly called tags. This is especially true of any embedded images such as album cover art, picture of the skater, etc. Please, NO EMBEDDED IMAGES!

Maximum leader: The Chief Music Coordinator requests that there be NO leader. The leader is the silence between the start of the track and the actual start of the program music.

: The Chief Music Coordinator requests that there be NO trailer. The trailer is the silence between the end of the program music and the end of the actual track.

Backup Music at Event (CDs)

In addition to submitting the music online, all competitors/teams must also have at least one (1) backup copy of their competition music on CD, AT RINKSIDE, during the actual competition event segment. CDs must meet the following requirements:

- In standard Audio CD format (Compact Disc Digital Audio). Other formats, including mp3 are NOT acceptable.
- Clearly marked with a permanent marker (e.g. Sharpie, do NOT use a label or tape) as follows: First Name, Last Name, (Club Optional but requested), Event, Event Segment and Music Length (e.g. Jane Smith, Acme FSC, Novice Ladies, Free Skate, 3:10 or Synchro Team, Widget FSC, Preliminary, Free Skate, 1:59)
- Each CD may have only ONE (1) music track on it. In the case where a skater competes in both a short program/dance and a free skate/free dance, two (2) separate discs must be available. Any disc with more than one (1) track is NOT acceptable.
- Lead in time (time before the music begins) on CDs may not exceed two (2) seconds.
- Due to the compatibility and reliability reasons, music may NOT be submitted on re-recordable "CD-RW" discs.

PLEASE, no CD-RWs!!

OFFICIAL NOTICES - An official bulletin board will be maintained at the competition site on the day of competition. The official schedule showing starting times for each event and the draw will be posted on the bulletin board. The official schedule supersedes all other schedules. Notices posted on this bulletin board are considered as sufficient notice to all competitors. Skaters are to be in the rink and ready to skate 30 minutes before their event is scheduled to begin. **Events will not be delayed for skaters who arrive late**.

REFEREE - The decision of the Chief Referee on all matters will be final. The Chief Referee, along with the LOC, shall have the right to exclude any person(s) whose behavior is unruly or unsportsmanlike or against the Covid-19 protocol set forth by LOC. Additionally, the Chief Referee reserves the right to combine or split events to best accommodate the number of entries and schedule of events.

LIABILITY - U.S. Figure Skating, LTS USA®, Kraken Skating Academy, Kraken Community Iceplex accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

NOTE TO COACHES - All Coaches must have proper coach compliance. Any coach not appearing on the US Figure Skating Coach Registration list or Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Registration will not receive competition credentials and will not be permitted rink-side during the competition. If a coach/instructor attempts to work at this event without the proper credentials, he or she is in violation of U.S. Figure Skating ethics and code of conduct rules and, as such, is subject to disciplinary action.

PRACTICE ICE —Practice Ice will be available at Kraken Community Iceplex for \$20 per 20 minutes. Registration will take place via our DaySmart registration platform.

NOTE: Depending on the size of the competition, practice ice selection might be limited to one- or two-time choices. We cannot guarantee additional practice sessions.

If space permits, additional practice ice will be available for purchase during the competition for \$20.00/20 minutes at the registration desk with credit/debit only. **No Changes - No Refunds. Practice ice fees are nonrefundable, and you may not assign your practice ice to another skater.**

PRIVACY POLICY – Information provided to the Kraken Skating Academy on the entry form is intended for internal use of the competition committee, the Chief Referee, and the Chief Accountant only. We will never intentionally disclose any personal information about you (such as, for example, your full name, Street address, telephone number, or e-mail address) to any third party without having received your permission.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY - A professional videographer will be at the competition and is responsible for all filming within the arena. All other videotaping is prohibited. For safety purposes, flash photography is prohibited within the arena. After the ceremony, parents and coaches will be allowed to photograph only the skater with which they are affiliated. Personal photos of ONLY YOUR SKATER are allowed outside the arena and outside the awards area.

VENDORS – Kraken Community Iceplex offers limited space for vendors. If you are interested in being a vendor for this competition, please contact the Competition Co-Chairpersons by email.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For additional information regarding this announcement, please contact the following individuals

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GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

- Events with large numbers of entries may be split into multiple groups.
- Events with multiple groups will be split by age.
- Two entries in a group will constitute an event. If only one entry is received in an event, at the discretion of the Chief Referee and the LOC, the skater will have the choice of either competing as an individual competitor in accordance with Rule 3055 or withdrawing for a refund.
- This competition is governed by the current Compete USA Manual except as modified by this announcement, and the Compete USA Manual errata as posted on the Learn to Skate USA® website.

Events

The following events will be offered:

- Basic Program Event: Snowplow Sam, Basic 1 through Basic 6
- Free Skate Program Events: Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 6
- Well Balanced Program Events: No Test, Pre-Preliminary through Preliminary
- Special: Jump Challenge, Spin Challenge
- Hockey Skills Challenge
- Axel Tournament
- Synchronized Skating

ISI conversion Chart: If you are in an ISI program and have passed

Snowplow Sam

Enter the US Figure Basic Skills event

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Pre-Alpha (Age 7 and older) Basic 1 Advanced Pre-Alpha Basic 2 Advanced Pre-Alpha (except 2-foot spin) Basic 3 Alpha/Gamma Basic 4 Beta (except 1 foot spin) Basic 5 Delta (except for spiral) Basic 6

Gamma (except Scratch spin & ballet jump)

Pre-FreeSkate Delta-Freestyle 1 Pre-FreeSkate

Accommodations

Hampton Inn & Suites by Seattle/Northgate

9550 1st Ave NE

Seattle, WA 98115

(206) 522-6991

Please use the booking link for special pricing.

Booking Link:

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