

**The 2023 Mohawk Valley Classic
And
Mohawk Valley Learn to Skate Competition**

Saturday, January 14, 2023



Hosted by
The Skating Club of New Hartford
scnh.org

New Hartford Recreation Center
4 Mill Street, New Hartford, NY 13413



Entry Deadline: December 12, 2022

FOR INFORMATION E-MAIL:
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Register at Entryeeze:

<http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=511>

I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The 2023 Mohawk Valley Classic and Mohawk Valley Learn to Skate Competition will be held on January 14, 2023 and will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and who are currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current [rulebook](#) for non-U.S. citizens.

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

Consistent with updated CDC guidance on mask use, face coverings are no longer required to be worn indoors at U.S. Figure Skating-sanctioned events or activity if community levels are Low or Medium. The LOC will provide updated information via email to all registered skaters and coaches regarding any COVID mitigation policies after the close of entries.

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy. Click [here](#).

EVENTS OFFERED:

[Click HERE to view the program requirements for the current season.](#)

SINGLES	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Excel Free Skate (Beginner–Senior; Adult; Masters)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Well Balanced Free Skate (No-test – Pre-Juvenile)	6.0	\$65	\$30
SPECIALTY	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Compulsory Moves (No Test–Senior; Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beginner–Excel Preliminary)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$65	\$30
SHOWCASE*	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Emotional Performance (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Choreographic Artistry (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Lyrical Pop (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Character Performance (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Comedic Impressions (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30
Duets/Trios (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$65	\$30

COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$40	\$30
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$40	\$30
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$40	\$30
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$40	\$30
Compete USA – Showcase (Basic 1-6 to High Beginner)	6.0	\$65	\$30

Showcase* Skaters should register for their appropriate Showcase category (artistic, lyric pop, emotional, etc.) but will be divided by category only if entry numbers support it. All Individual Entertainment Events may first be grouped first by appropriate test level and then by age (if number of entries merits this).

All events at the 2023 Mohawk Valley Classic will use the 6.0 Majority marking system.

II. ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL

TEST LEVEL

Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. Skaters may skate up one level for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event.

Skaters entering pre-juvenile and lower events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

For all events where permitted by US Figure Skating, if there are insufficient entries to hold separate contested events, male and female skaters will compete against each other in a combined event.

Except for Adult events, skaters entering Showcase events must compete at the highest test level for which they qualify.

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 SafeSport™ Training.

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport™ 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.

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. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

Coach/Choreographer (domestic/non-foreign):

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual Member OR member OR Learn to Skate USA instructor membership
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check. *
 - o The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training. *
 - o The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Must complete the Professional Coach/Choreographer Coaching Education Requirement (CER) through the Professional Skaters Association (PSA).
- ✓ Must submit proof of general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/ \$5 million aggregate.
- ✓ Must agree to the U.S. Figure Skating Code of Ethics. *
- ✓ Must complete three waivers: 1) Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Release and Indemnification Agreement, 2) Medical Consent and 3) Name and Likeness Release and Consent Agreement. *
- ✓ If attending a qualifying competition or traveling as a part of Team USA and/or International Selection Pool (ISP), must be a full member of the Professional Skaters Association (PSA).
- ✓ Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Deadline: 12/12/22 at 11:59 ET

Late registrations will be accepted only at the discretion of the Competition Committee – \$25 Late Fee

ENTRIES:

The Local Organizing Committee and Chief Referee reserve the right to divide an event, limit the

number of entries, hold an event with only one entry and cancel an event with only one entry (with refund), in order to accommodate ice time constraints and availability of judges. In the event that a single-entry event is cancelled, the skater will have the option to skate up one level or receive a full refund. Entry fees will be refunded in accordance with the stated refund policy. All entry CHANGES after the close of entries on December 10, 2022 are subject to referee approval and a \$25.00 change fee.

The online processing fees are not refundable.

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

Competitors are required to upload their music on Entryeeze when submitting their application. 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.”

Only one piece of competition program music (e.g. Free Skate, Showcase) per file is allowed. The deadline for online music submission is December 20, 2022 at 11:59 pm. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and a \$20.00 Late Fee will be added to the Skater’s Cart. Late fees must be paid prior to a skater being allowed to compete. Competitors must also bring a digital copy as a backup in case of technical difficulty and this back up must be available rink side during the competition.

How to upload music to ENTRYEEZE:

<http://comp.entryeeze.com/Files/How%20to%20Upload%20Music.pdf>

1. File Format: MP3
2. Bit Rate: 192 kbps or higher and Sample Rate 44,100 kHz. The Music Chair may request a corrected file should the music not meet these criteria.
3. No Leaders or trailers should be included in the file submitted.

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists, or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, The Skating Club of New Hartford, and the New Hartford Recreation Center 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.

IV. COMPETITION DETAILS

FACILITIES:

The competition will be held at the New Hartford Recreation Center
4 Mill St. New Hartford, NY 13413

The ice surface at the New Hartford Recreation Center measures 85 'x 185 'with rounded ends.

LOCKER ROOMS:

All athletes are expected to come to the arena ready to skate. Limited locker rooms will be assigned on a case-by-case basis for skaters entered in more than one event who need to CHANGE between showcase/freeskate costumes. Locker rooms will not be available for skate/bag storage. The locker rooms are available for skaters only. An exception will be made for athletes 11 years old and younger

that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SafeSport Handbook (both found on the [U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe](#) page).

U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:

OFFICIAL NOTICES: A white board will be maintained at Registration and at the door to the rink. We will also be utilizing the Remind system to update times for those not inside the rink. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent, and coach to check the bulletin board and Remind app frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive 1 hour prior to the scheduled time of their event. As a non-qualifying competition, events may run ahead of schedule. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

SCHEDULE

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

PRACTICE ICE: Available practice ice will be determined after the close of entries. A schedule of event times and practice ice times will be posted on our web-site at least one week prior to competition. Practice ice - if available - will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis only. Sessions will cost \$15.

ONSITE CHECK-IN:

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AWARDS: Individual medals will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers. Ribbons will be awarded for 4th and 5th place finishers. At this time, there will be no official Awards Ceremonies. Skaters may pick up their medals and ribbons at the registration desk. An awards podium will be available for individual photographs.

Results will be posted on an online link available through the competition website instead of on the wall.

PHOTO/VIDEO: Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Hampton Inn and Suites of New Hartford, located at 201 Woods Park Drive, Clinton NY 13323.

The promotional rate for the competition is \$119.

Families may contact the hotel directly at 315-793-1600 and identify the Mohawk Valley Classic block, or they may use the group booking link: www.my-event.hilton.com/mohawkvalleyclassic/

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition website: SCNH.org

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Event/Music Questions: Stephanie Bevins (315) 525-3469

Competition Referee: Elizabeth Hotvedt