



ANNOUNCEMENT

2016 SKATE CANADA SKATE CANADA NOVA SCOTIA SECTIONALS

Dates:	November 7th & 8th 2015
Location:	Arthur J. Leblanc Centre, 432 Melanson Road Dieppe
Hosted By:	Skate Canada New Brunswick
Sanctioned By:	Skate Canada

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PURPOSE OF SECTIONALS

Sectionals identify the top skaters in each province (Ontario having four Sections) 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 assigned by the section. Skate Canada provides each section with an orientation kit outlining the responsibilities of the event and event guidelines. Skate Canada provides templates for all Sectionals event promotional materials to insure consistency nationally.

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

In accordance with Skate Canada rules, all Sectional events must be completed no later than the first Sunday following November 30 of the current skating year.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2016 Skate Canada Nova Scotia 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 four or fewer entries (eight or fewer in Quebec) 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).

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION

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RINKS TO BE USED

Competition Arena

Arthur J Leblanc Centre

St Anselme Arena

185 feet x 85 feet

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE (Skate Canada Rule 5401)

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

- (1) **ELIGIBLE PERSON STATUS:** Be eligible persons as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book Section 2100.
- (2) **ASSOCIATE MEMBER:** Be Associate members in good standing of the Association.
- (3) **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 an ice 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.

- (4) **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.)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 515)

- (1) **TEST PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the tests as listed in paragraph 510 of the Qualifying Competition Handbook (see below) before October 1st preceding the Championships. A skater may also be considered qualified having passed a higher test or parts thereof as long as the minimum test 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 in paragraph 510.
- (3) **COMPETING IN SINGLES AT SECTIONALS:** A skater may compete in Singles events only in the Championships of the Section in which his home club is a member.
- (4) **COMPETING IN PAIR OR DANCE AT SECTIONALS:** A pair or dance team composed of skaters having clubs 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.

ENTRY INFORMATION

Entry forms must be forwarded to your section co-ordinator, **Carol Breckon, 586 Heather Crescent, Kingston, NS B0P 1R0** with entry fees no later than **September 18th 2015 at 4:00 pm** in accordance with paragraph 520(8)(d) of the Qualifying Competition Handbook. *The host Section/Club must verify the eligibility of all competitors according to paragraph 510, 515 and 520 of the Qualifying Competition Handbook and submit the names and registration numbers of all competitors entering Canadian Championship qualifying events to the National Office of the Association immediately after the closing date of entries and no later than October 3rd or the next business day following that date.)*

The acceptance of late entries is at the discretion of the Section in consultation with the technical representative.

The eligibility of all entries must be verified by the Section in consultation with the Skate Canada national office.

Entry Fees

Entry fees are as follows:

Singles:	Pre Juvenile & Juvenile\$ 160.00/entry
	Pre Novice to Senior \$ 210.00/entry
Dance/Pairs:	Pre Juvenile & Juvenile \$ 80.00 /per person
	Pre Novice to Senior \$ 105.00/per person

Please make cheques payable to Skate Canada Nova Scotia and send to **Carol Breckon, 586 Heather Crescent, Kingston, NS B0P 1R0** along with your completed entry forms received in hand by 4:00 pm Friday September 18th 2015. E-transfers are also accepted, see the application form for instructions on submitting e-transfers.

No late entries will be accepted, if mailing please use priority or express post. If your application form(s) is complete, a \$10.00 refund will be given at registration. If your application form is not complete or listing the incorrect category your skater's spot in the competition may be in jeopardy and the \$10.00 will not be refunded.

RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 530 (5))

CANADIAN FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- (a) **COMPETING IN THE SAME EVENT DISCIPLINE:** No one shall compete in the same discipline (Singles, Pairs, Dance) in the same event (Novice) at Canadians more than three times.
- (b) **WINNER OF AN EVENT DISCIPLINE:** The winner or the winning pair or dance couple of an event discipline shall not be eligible for the same event discipline again.
- (c) **ONE OF A SENIOR PAIR OR ICE DANCE COUPLE COMPETING IN JUNIOR COMPETITION IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS:** One of a pair or ice dance couple placing first, second or third in a Senior Canadian event discipline shall not enter the same event discipline in the Junior Canadian Championships with a different partner in a subsequent year.

TEST AND AGE PREREQUISITES FOR COMPETING (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 510)

PRE-JUVENILE

(1) PRE-JUVENILE EVENTS:

(a) SINGLES:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Pre-Juvenile Singles competitors shall be grouped in two age categories as follows:
 - a. **U11:** under the age of 11 before July 1 preceding the event.
 - b. **U13:** under the age of 13 before July 1 preceding the event.

(b) PAIR:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Pre-Juvenile Pair competitors shall be under the age of 14 before July 1 preceding the event.

(c) DANCE:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Dance test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Pre-Juvenile Dance competitors shall be under the age of 14 before July 1 preceding the event.

(2) JUVENILE EVENTS:

(d) SINGLES:

- (iii) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating Test or higher.
- (iv) **AGE:** Juvenile Singles competitors shall be grouped in two age categories as follows:
 - a. **U12:** under the age of 12 before July 1 preceding the event.
 - b. **U14:** under the age of 14 before July 1 preceding the event.

(e) PAIR:

- (iii) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating test or higher.
- (iv) **AGE:** Juvenile Pair competitors shall be under the age of 16 before July 1 preceding the event.

(f) DANCE:

- (iii) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Dance test or higher.
- (iv) **AGE:** Juvenile Dance competitors shall be under the age of 16 before July 1 preceding the event.

(1) PRE-NOVICE EVENTS:

(a) SINGLES:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Pre-Novice Singles competitors shall be under the age of 16 before July 1 preceding the event.

(b) PAIR:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Pre-Novice Pair competitors shall be under the age of 18 before July 1 preceding the event.

(c) DANCE:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Dance test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Pre-Novice Dance competitors shall be under the age of 18 before July 1 preceding the event.

(1) NOVICE EVENTS:

(a) SINGLES:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Novice Singles competitors shall be under the age of 17 before July 1 preceding the event.

(b) PAIR:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** No age requirements.

(c) DANCE:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the at least two pattern dances from the Gold Dance Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Shall meet ISU Junior age criteria (maximum age limit only applies).

(2) JUNIOR EVENTS:

(a) SINGLES:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Shall meet ISU Junior age criteria (maximum age limit only applies).

(b) PAIR:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** No age requirements for qualifying competitions in Canada.

(c) DANCE:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Dance Test or higher.
- (ii) **AGE:** Exception for 2014-2015 season only: regardless of ISU regulations men must not have reached the age of 21 for competitions in Canada.

(3) SENIOR EVENTS:

(a) SINGLES:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test
- (ii) **AGE:** No age requirement.

(b) PAIR:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Free Skating Test
- (ii) **AGE:** No age requirement.

(c) DANCE:

- (i) **TEST:** Must have passed the complete Gold Dance Test
- (ii) **AGE:** No age requirement.

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph Section 520(10))

All entries must be approved and filed by the Section Chair or his/her nominee.

(a) NORMAL QUOTA OF ENTRIES

Selection of Entries from Skate Canada Sectionals to Skate Canada Challenge or Canadian Figure Skating Championships is as follows:

- (i) **PRE-NOVICE and NOVICE:** Pre-Novice and Novice competitors who place first, second, third and fourth (first through eighth inclusive in Quebec) in each of the Sectional qualifying events, except Quebec Section, may be selected to represent the Section in the respective Skate Canada Challenge, but the selection of fewer than four entries shall be at the discretion of the Section Executive.
- (ii) **JUNIOR AND SENIOR EVENTS:** Junior and Senior competitors who place first, second, third and fourth (first through eighth inclusive in Quebec) in each of the Sectional qualifying events and meet the requirements in regulation 520 (10.)(b) (i), may be selected to represent the Section in the respective Skate Canada Challenge, but the selection of fewer than four entries (eight entries in Quebec) shall be at the discretion of the Section Executive.

2015-2016 PROCEDURES FOR FILLING CHALLENGE ENTRIES

This procedure provides guidance for the Membership on the process for athletes qualifying for Challenge. It expands on the Qualifying Competition Handbook, regulation 520(10.) included in Appendix A.

Definition: Challenge Minimum Score (CMS)

The CMS is the benchmark Technical Element Score (TES) for the free program that must be met or exceeded in order to enter Challenge. This CMS must be met in the time period from October 20, 2013 until the deadline date for entries for the 2016 Skate Canada Challenge (within 24 hours of the completion of Skate Canada Sectionals). The CMS must be met at the same or lower level of competition as that to be competed at the 2016 Skate Canada Challenge. The CMS must be met in the same discipline as that to be competed at the 2016 Skate Canada Challenge. Any STARSkate free program score may also be used to meet the established CMS.

The CMS for the 2015-2016 season are as follows:

CMS	
Category	(TES from Free Program)
Pre-Novice Men	14
Pre-Novice Ladies	14
Pre-Novice Pair	10
Pre-Novice Ice Dance	10
Novice Men	17
Novice Women	17
Novice Pair	13
Novice Ice Dance	12
Junior Men	25
Junior Women	22
Junior Pair	23
Junior Ice Dance	22
Senior Men	30
Senior Women	27
Senior Pair	28
Senior Ice Dance	30

Following Sectionals each Section will review the results to determine the number of entries allocated as follows:

1. Normal Quota Entries:

Pre-Novice/ Novice - The normal quota of entries is granted to each Section [4 (or 8 for QC)] without limitation.

Junior/ Senior: - The normal quota of entries is granted to each Section [4 (or 8 for QC)] if the CMS has been met. It is the Sections responsibility to confirm that the minimum score has been achieved.

Exception to CMS: – For any category, if a section has no entries who have met the CMS the CMS requirement will be waived for one entry in that category.

(b) ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS

- (i) **MINIMUM QUALIFYING SCORES:** competitors must also meet a minimum qualifying score according to the guidelines announced annually by the High Performance Development Committee on or before July 1. In the case that a section has no competitors who have met the minimum score guidelines for a given category, the section has the right to enter one competitor in the category.

(c) BYES

- (i) **BYED SKATERS:** Those who have been granted byes through Sectional qualifying events (see Byes Policy in **Policies and Procedures**) may enter their Skate Canada Challenge event or Canadian Figure Skating Championships event (or qualifying round at Canadians) as applicable without further qualification.

(d) WILD CARD ENTRIES FROM SECTIONALS

- (i) **ALLOCATION OF WILD CARD ENTRIES FROM SECTIONALS:** Once the total number of qualified entries is determined as is defined in paragraph 520 (10.)(a), (b) and (c), wild card entries will be allocated so that warm-up groups for each category are filled. In all cases,
 - i. Wildcards will continue to be allocated until all 10 warmup groups for Pre-Novice Women and Novice Women have been identified or there are no remaining athletes who meet the minimum eligibility requirements as identified in 520(10)(b)(i);
 - ii. For other categories, if there are fewer than five warm-up groups, wildcards will continue allocated until five warm-up groups have been filled, or there are

no remaining athletes teams who meet the minimum eligibility requirements as identified in 520(10)(b)(i).

Wildcards will be allocated first considering the next highest sectional qualifying score meeting the minimum qualifying technical score until the warm-up groups are filled.

- (e) **ALTERNATES:** The next placed competitor in each Sectional event may be nominated as an alternate entry and may replace an entrant who has withdrawn before the start of the event.

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE (Qualifying Competition Handbook, paragraph 525 (3))

- (a) **FINAL RESULT:** The final result in each Skate Canada Challenge event shall determine the competitors eligible to enter the equivalent Canadian Figure Skating Championship event as follows.
 - (i) **NOVICE:** The Skate Canada Novice Challenge is entitled to enter the top 18 placed singles in each of the Men's and Women's events, 12 placed Pair and 15 placed Ice Dance competitors, which include any byes awarded in each respective event at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships in the same skating season.
 - (ii) **JUNIOR:** The Skate Canada Junior Challenge is entitled to enter the top 18 placed singles in each of the Men's and Women's events, 12 placed Pair and 15 placed Ice Dance competitors, which include any byes awarded in each respective event, at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships in the same skating season.
 - (iii) **SENIOR:**
 - (a) **SENIOR SINGLES:** The maximum number of competitors in the Senior singles events shall be 18. Such entries shall be filled in accordance with subsection (e) below.
 - (b) **SENIOR PAIR:** The maximum number of competitors in the Senior Pair event shall be 12. Such entries shall be filled in accordance with subsection (e) below.
 - (c) **SENIOR ICE DANCE:** The maximum number of competitors in the Senior Dance events shall be 15. Such entries shall be filled in accordance with subsection (e) below.

- (b) **DETERMINING SENIOR ENTRIES:** The Senior events at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships shall be filled in accordance with the following priority until such time as the maximum number of competitors for the relevant event has been reached:
 - (i) firstly, those competitors who have received an automatic or individual bye; and
 - (ii) the balance of the entries shall be determined in accordance with the results of the Skate Canada Senior Challenge event, as applicable.
- (c) **ALTERNATES:** The entry with the next highest score from the applicable Challenge event may replace an entrant at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships who has withdrawn before the start of an event.
- (d) **NORMAL QUOTA AT THE CANADIAN FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS NOT EXCEEDED:** When the normal quota at The Canadian Figure Skating Championships is not exceeded (i.e. 18 for Singles, 12 for Pair and 15 for Ice Dance) after the total number of eligible entries from the Skate Canada Challenge are combined, that event will be held, but may not be Pattern at the Skate Canada Challenge even if the maximum event quota at one of the Skate Canada Challenge is exceeded.
- (e) **FILING OF ENTRIES:** Entries from the Skate Canada Challenge must be filed by the General Chair of the Organizing Committee or his/her nominee.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENTS - SKATE CANADA NOVA SCOTIA SECTIONALS (Qualifying Competition Handbook paragraph 520)

Juvenile Dance Entries

Only 2001 Skate Canada Series 8 music will be used for the Juvenile Dance event.

- (1) **PRE-JUVENILE EVENTS:** Juvenile events shall consist of the four disciplines and specifications set forth below:
 - (a) **PRE-JUVENILE WOMEN'S SINGLES AND PRE-JUVENILE MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS:** These competitions shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The composition of the free skating program and the requirements for a well-balanced program shall be as communicated each season.

- (b) **PRE-JUVENILE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS:** This competition shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The composition of the free skating program and the requirements for a well-balanced program shall be as communicated each season.

- (c) **PRE-JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS:** This competition will consist of one part:

PATTERN DANCES: Two pattern dances to be skated to be drawn from the Junior Bronze Dance list.

- (2) **JUVENILE EVENTS:** Juvenile events shall consist of the four disciplines and specifications set forth below:

- (a) **JUVENILE WOMEN'S SINGLES AND JUVENILE MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS:** These competitions shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The composition of the free skating program and the requirements for a well-balanced program shall be as communicated each season.

- (b) **JUVENILE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS:** This competition shall consist of a free skating program to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The composition of the free skating program and the requirements for a well-balanced program shall be as communicated each season.

- (c) **JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS:** This competition will consist of two parts:

PATTERN DANCES: Two dances listed below shall be skated in the order listed:

Year 1 (2015-2016) - Willow Waltz and Foxtrot

FREE DANCE: A free dance to music of 2.0 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season.

1. **PRE-NOVICE EVENTS**

- (a) **PRE-NOVICE WOMEN'S SINGLES & PRE-NOVICE MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP:** These competitions shall consist of two parts:

- (i) **SHORT PROGRAM:** A short program to music which shall not exceed 2 minutes, 30 seconds in duration containing the group of elements announced by Skate Canada for the current season.

- (ii) **FREE PROGRAM:** A free skating program to music of 3.0 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season.
- (b) **PRE-NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of two parts:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM:** A short program to music which shall not exceed 2 minutes, 50 seconds in duration containing the group of elements announced by Skate Canada for the current season.
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM:** A free skating program to music of 3.0 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season.
- (c) **PRE-NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP:** This competition will consist of two parts:
 - (i) **PATTERN DANCES:** Two of the four dances listed below shall be drawn for each qualifying event and skated in the order listed.

Harris Tango, Rocker Foxtrot, Blues, and Starlight
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE:** A free dance to music of 2.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season.

2. NOVICE EVENTS

- (a) **NOVICE WOMEN SINGLES & NOVICE MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** These competitions shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM:** A short program to music which shall not exceed 2 minutes, 30 seconds in duration containing the group of elements announced by Skate Canada for the current season.
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM:** A free skating program to music. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season. The length of the program is as follows:

Women: 3.0 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)

Men: 3.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds)

- (b) **NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM:** A short program to music which shall not exceed 2 minutes, 50 seconds in duration containing the group of elements announced by Skate Canada for the current season.
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM:** A free skating program to music of 3.5 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season.
- (c) **NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) **PATTERN DANCES:** Two of the four dances listed below shall be drawn for each qualifying event and skated in the order as listed.

Starlight Waltz, Cha Cha Congelado, Argentine Tango, Silver Samba
Note: One pattern dance to be an option to change pending announcement of ISU Junior Short Dance Rhythm.
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE:** A free dance to music of 3.0 minutes (+ or – 10 seconds) in duration. The requirements for this program shall be as communicated each season.

3. JUNIOR EVENTS

- (a) **JUNIOR WOMEN'S SINGLES & JUNIOR MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:**
These competitions shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) **JUNIOR PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (c) **JUNIOR DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) **SHORT DANCE**
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE**

4. SENIOR EVENTS

- (a) **SENIOR WOMEN'S SINGLES AND MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** These competitions shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) **SENIOR PAIR SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) **SHORT PROGRAM**
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (c) **SENIOR ICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP OF CANADA:** This competition shall consist of two parts as defined by the ISU:
 - (i) **SHORT DANCE**
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE**

REGISTRATION

Registration for skaters, officials and coaches will commence at the Arthur J Leblanc Centre 1 hour before the first scheduled practice

REGISTRATION AND PRACTICE ICE FOR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (Qualifying Competition Handbook paragraph 520, 8(i –j))

- (1) **REGISTRATION:** Competitors at Sectional Championships must register for the competition before their official practice session immediately prior to the first portion of their event.
- (2) **PRACTICE ICE:** Upon registration or attendance at an officially scheduled practice session competitors are not permitted to skate on ice other than the official practice or competition ice as scheduled for the event. Violators of this rule shall be subject to suspension from the competition in question. This rule is applicable to all qualifying events including Regional/Sub-Sectional, Sectional, Skate Canada Skate Canada Challenge and Canadian Championships.

ACCREDITATION FOR COACHES

By-law 2403 (Skate Canada Policies and Procedures) shall apply.

In order to receive accreditation from Skate Canada at Sectionals, Skate Canada professional coaches must meet the following conditions:

- Be Intermediate STARSkate/Provincial Coach certified
- Be a current Professional Coaching Member of Skate Canada
- Hold a valid First Aid Certificate
- Coaches must register in person and show their Skate Canada Professional Coach Membership Card which includes their photo

NEW COACHES: New professional coaches who do not meet the above criteria for accreditation or funding will have three years in which to become Level 2/ISPC Certified and four years to become Level 3 Certified from the date of registering as a Skate Canada Professional Coach.

Two coaches per entry will be accredited. Only two people will be allowed at ice level – determined by the skater/team.

JUDGING SYSTEM

The Cumulative Points Calculation (CPC) Judging System will be used for Pre Juvenile, Juvenile, Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior event categories.

MUSIC

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.

Pre-Novice and Novice Dance competitors: The ISU pattern dance music to be used for all practices and events is the 2001 Revised Version produced by the ISU.

Only 2001 Skate Canada Series 8 music will be used for the Juvenile Dance event.

Music Requirements

Each entry must provide two CDs for the competition upon registration, one for competition - marked "Master" and one for back up - marked "Copy", with the time of the program, short or free and category. No labels can be attached to the CD's.

Standard Specifications for CDs

- (1) Only one program shall be recorded on each CD
- (2) The start of the music shall be recorded on the CD with less than two seconds of lead in.
- (3) Competitor's name followed by category, program type – short or free, and music time shall be shown on the CD.
- (4) Each CD shall be enclosed in a plastic case marked with the skater's name, category, program type – short or free, and total music time.

AWARDS

Standard Skate Canada Sectional medals will be presented to the top three finishers of each event. In the case of only two entries, each entry shall be awarded a prize. In the case of only one entry in an event an exhibition shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded. The presentation schedule will be available at registration.

ACCOMMODATION

Listed below are the official hotels for the event.

(INSERT RELEVANT HOTEL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPETITORS AND OTHERS)

<p>Crowne Plaza Moncton 1005 Main Street, Moncton 1-506-854-6340</p> <p>Skate Canada New Brunswick rate \$121.00</p> <p>Here is the link to reserve: http://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=cp&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=YQMMS&_PMID=99801505&GPC=F20</p>	<p>Holiday Inn Express 425 Adelard Savoie Blvd., Dieppe 1-877-660-8550</p> <p>Rate \$121.00</p>
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ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate Canada, the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Sections, 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 Sections, the Skate Canada, the volunteer team and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

OTHER INFORMATION

Camera Policy

Flash photography is not permitted. Skate Canada would encourage you to not use cameras or video equipment during Skate Canada organized events out of respect for the safety of competing athletes.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION

Skater On-Line Profile Update

When registering for Sectional events and above, all athletes must update their Personal Profile online (skate Canada website – Members Only).

TICKET INFORMATION

- Tickets can be purchased at the door

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