

ANNOUNCEMENT

2023 ATLANTIC REGIONAL SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dates: January 7-8, 2023

Location: Cavendish Farms Community Events Centre

In Conjunction With: Skate Canada PEI

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EVENT PHILOSOPHY

The Regional Synchronized Skating Championships are part of the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championship qualifying system. These events are planned, managed, and executed by Skate Canada Sections on a rotational basis, in conjunction with a local volunteer organizing team.

The purpose of this competition is to provide a developmental and competitive experience for synchronized skating teams which allows them the opportunity to qualify for the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships in Novice, Intermediate, Open, Junior, and Senior categories. The top team in each of the five qualifying categories in every Region may advance to the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships. Additional entries are allotted to regions based on their teams' placement at last year's National Championships and regional membership sizes.

In selecting host sites for these Championships, every attempt is made to move the event across each region in a regular cycle, to balance the costs faced by participants from year to year as much as possible, and to allow synchronized skating to be presented in various communities in each section.

In addition to experiencing the challenges and personal growth involved in competing at this level, one of the features of this competitive system is to allow skaters an opportunity to experience the cultural diversity of Canada through exploration of the area holding the championships.

The focus for skaters at this event is not only on qualifying for the Skate Canada Cup, but on the whole experience: self-satisfaction in achieving competitive goals and meeting competitors from across the region and experiencing the camaraderie of traveling as part of a team.

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ARENA TO BE USED

Cavendish Farms Community Events Centre

Ice Surface Size: 200 ft x 85 ft 7085 Barlow Road, Route 2 Tyne Valley, PE,

ACCOMMODATIONS

Skaters, team managers, coaches and parents will be required to book accommodations directly with the hotel of their choice as required.

REGISTRATION

All registration will be completed on the Skate Canada Prince Edward Island Registration website: https://skatecanadapei.uplifterinc.com/

Registration Closes: Wednesday, December 10,2022 at 11:59PM (PE)

***Late Entries will not be accepted.

Registration will only be accepted from teams registered with Skate Canada for the 2022/2023 season. Clubs/Team Managers are responsible to ensure <u>ALL</u> skaters and teams are registered with Skate Canada before completing online registration.

REGISTRATION FEES

Qualifying Teams (Novice-Senior): \$275 + \$35 per skater *Includes two programs and official practices. **Non-Qualify Teams (Star 3 - Pre-Novice, Adult)** - For details refer to the Friendship Invitational announcement.

Refund Policy: Registration fees will be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the registration deadline. There will be a \$25.00 administration fee applied to all refunds. After the closing date of entries, there will be no refunds given unless supporting medical documents are provided.

Payments can be made online. Online payment methods include VISA, VISA Debit, MasterCard and e-transfer. Send e-transfer to scpeitreasurer@gmail.com. In the comments add your team name and invoice#.

All payments are due by the deadline for registration.

There will be a \$20 fee per category charged for failing to submit a PPC or MP3 file by the deadlines stated. Teams will not be permitted to register at the competition until this fee has been paid and a PPC sheet along with a MP3 music file has been submitted.

EVENT ADMISSION - Donation at the door

ON-SITE REGISTRATION

All teams, coaches and team managers must register on-site at the Cavendish Farms Community Event Centre. Registration on Saturday, January 7 will begin 1 hour prior to the start of the first scheduled practice or event.

Only those skaters whose names appear on the team registration form as team members/alternates will be permitted to skate. Only those skaters whose names are listed on the team registration form for the Regional Synchronized Skating Championships will be permitted to skate in the 2023 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships. No substitution or addition shall be allowed. The number of allowable alternates on each team is four.

ACCREDITATION POLICY

Coaches: In order to receive accreditation at the 2023 Regional Synchronized Skating Championships and 2023 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships (Novice-Senior), all coaches must be registered Professional Coaches in good standing with Skate Canada, throughout the event, and must meet the requirements as outlined in the Skate Canada Accreditation for Events Policy.

Team Managers and Chaperones: All team managers and chaperones must be current Skate Canada registrants. Two coaches, one team manager and two chaperones, for a total of five people per team, will be accredited. The names and Skate Canada numbers for these accreditations must be included on the Team Summary Sheet along with the online application by Saturday, December 10, 2022.

The main coach and one alternate (skater) will stand at the entrance to the ice, and the team manager and other alternates in the exit area (Kiss & Cry). The chaperones will be allowed in the dressing rooms ONLY and will not have access to ice level during practice and competition (including Kiss & Cry).

MUSIC

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights society. Teams that have music composed especially for their programs, either wholly or in part, shall be 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 society.

Planned Program Sheet (PPC): Completed forms must be submitted by January 1, 2023, in a PDF format only (screenshots of the PPC will not be accepted).

Music Requirements:

Music (MP3 file) must be submitted online no later than January 1, 2023. One CD or USB must be submitted at the time of registration. Music should be clearly labeled on the CD as well as the case, indicating the name of the team, the event and music length. CD/USB's should be picked up as soon as possible after the event.

Post-Event Segment or Event: Music and skater detail sheets can be picked up from registration, approximately 30 minutes after the completion of each event.

AWARDS

Atlantic Regional Championships (Qualifying Categories – Novice – Senior): The top three placements in each category shall be awarded a prize. If there is only one team entered in an event, an exhibition skate shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded.

Friendship Invitational (Star 3-Pre-Novice and Adult) - For details refer to the Friendship Invitational announcement.

Awards will be presented, to skaters, on-ice following the official posting of results. Presentation times will be announced and posted at the Cavendish Farms Community Event Centre.. Skaters should wear competition outfits and skates.

EVENT SCHEDULE

A finalized schedule of events and practices (qualifying categories only) will be posted on the event website: https://skatecanadapei.uplifterinc.com/

All practices and competition will occur on Saturday, January 7, 2023, and Sunday, January 8, 2023.

CEREMONIES

Opening Ceremonies will take place, on-ice, after the conclusion of official practices on Sunday, January 8, 2023.

LIABILITY

Skate Canada, the Prince Edward Island Section, and the local organizing committee 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 local organizing committee and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

RULES

All events will follow the Synchronized Skating Eligibilities as outlined by Skate Canada. Teams are responsible to check the Skate Canada Info Centre for rule updates and changes.

ELIGIBILITY

The 2023 Atlantic Regional Synchronized Skating Championships is open to all teams from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador sections, registered with Skate Canada and meeting the requirements outlined in the description of events to be held. There is no qualification process to enter the event.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

As per the Skate Canada 2022/2023 Synchronized Skating Technical Requirements.

EVENTS TO BE HELD

The following qualifying events will be included in the 2023 Atlantic Regional Synchronized Skating Championships: Novice, Intermediate, and Open

The following non-qualify events will be held in conjunction with the Atlantic Regional Synchro Championship: Star 3, Star 4, Juvenile, PreNovice, Adult I, Adult II, and Adult III. For more details refer to the Friendship invitational announcement.

ALTERNATES

There can be up to a maximum of 4 alternates for any team in all categories.

SINGLE ENTRY TEAMS (Atlantic Regional Championships)

Should a category only have one entry, the team will be given the option to not attend the Regional Championships and will qualify directly to the Synchronized Skating Championships. Single entries will be notified no later than one week following the entry submission deadline and will be given the option to skate an exhibition and be assessed/monitored by a full panel of officials. Detail sheets by officials will be provided following the performance in this case. If two or more entries have registered, the event will take place regardless of qualifying entry quotas.

PROBLEMS DURING A PERFORMANCE

The Technical Representative or his/her designate (ice level referee) may ask a team alternate to go on the ice during a performance to retrieve any objects that have dropped onto the ice (hair accessories, etc.) so that a performance does not have to be interrupted and so that there is no danger to the skaters. To this end, it is requested that each team, where possible, have an alternate dressed with skates on and skate guards off, available at the entrance area during the team's performance.

DRAWS/START ORDERS

A random draw will be used for the first portion of all events. The starting order for the first portion of the event will be available a minimum of 7 days prior to the start of the competition. The drawn starting orders (initial and subsequent) shall also apply for the official practice ice for all parts of the competition (qualifying events only).

The start orders for subsequent events for qualifying categories will be in reverse order of the results of the preceding segment. Start Orders will be posted at the Cavendish Farms Community Event Centre as soon as possible following the results of the first segment.

CONDUCT OF EVENTS

As per Skate Canada Rules of Sport > Competitions > Conduct of an Event

RESULTS CALCULATION/JUDGING SYSTEM

All events will be judged using the Cumulative Points Calculation (CPC) System Guide. Events held under the Friendship invitational will use the CPC system along with the OBO

MARKING/JUDGING SYSTEM

Judging of Novice, Intermediate, and Open free programs will be as follows:

Each team will skate their free program twice. Final results will be based on the combined results of both skates as per the following factors:

- In the first portion of the event, the total score of the free program will be multiplied by a factor of 0.5. In the second portion of the event, the total score of the free program will be multiplied by a factor of 1.0.
- The draw for the second free program will be seeded, based on the results of the first program, in the same manner as an event with a short and free program component.
- The second mark (Program Components) will be used to break a tie in both free programs.

QUALIFICATIONS TO COMPETE AT 2023 SKATE CANADA CUP

Teams will qualify for the 2023 Skate Canada Cup as per Skate Canada Rules of Sport > Competitions > Synchronized Skating Competitions

PRACTICE ICE

Practice ice will be provided to teams in qualifying categories (Novice - Senior).

ENTERING AND EXITING THE ICE SURFACE

As per current Skate Canada and ISU regulations.

SERVICES

MEDICAL SERVICES Provided on site.

INFORMATION/LOST AND FOUND Available at the registration desk.

MERCHANDISE AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Should the local organizing committee offer these services, it will be posted in a second announcement and information will be emailed to clubs/team managers.

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