



Skate Nova Scotia

2026 SNS WinterSkate Competition Announcement January 23 to 25, 2026

Sanctioned by Skate Canada. Rules in accordance with Skate Canada.

HOST

Queen's County Blades SC

ARENA LOCATION & ICE SURFACE

**Queen's Place Emera Centre, Liverpool, NS

Dimensions of Stadium: 85 feet x 200 feet

Entrants in events shall be members in good standing of Skate Canada

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

AGE PREREQUISITES: For competitors entering the requirements for age are as of July 1st 2025.

Skaters may 'skate-up' one level above their test qualifications.

Skaters may enter one singles short program and one singles free program.

ENTRIES AND FEES

All registrations must be done online skatecanadans.uplifterinc.com beginning , **December 5, 2025 at 8:00 am until , **December 9, 2025 at 11:00 pm with payment at the time of registration by credit card. Second event discount on short programs will only be given if both programs are registered at the same time. Music must also be uploaded at the time of registration.

Registering on your cell phone is not advised as the program is not designed to work with that format.

Priority will be given to skaters registered with a club in Nova Scotia for the first 24 hours. Registration will be closed early if maximum entries are received before **December 9, 2025. No refunds after close of registration. If the competition is cancelled for any reason \$40.00 will be retained by the clubs for expenses already incurred.

Entry fees are:

STAR 4 to Gold/PreJuvenile/Juvenile Singles/Adult	\$165.00 per skater
Second event Star 7 or Star 9 short program only	\$ 90.00
Introductory Pairs/Juvenile Pair/Dance one part event	\$ 180.00 per team
PreNovice to Senior Singles combined event	\$ 255.00 per skater
PreNovice to Senior Pairs/Dance combined event	\$ 275.00 per team
Artistic Events (Star 5, 7, 9, Gold and Adult)	\$ 100.00
Partnered Dance (Star 6/7, 8/9 and Gold)	\$ 100.00
STAR 4 Synchro	\$ 100.00 per team
STAR 6 and above Synchro	\$ 160.00 per team

- Online payment with visa or mastercard is accepted. Late entries will not be accepted. There are no refunds after the closing date of registration for any reason. Entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

Registering with Uplifter:

- Go to skatecanadans.uplifterinc.com
- You will be asked to set up an account. The message you will see is "You must login or create an account to register for events."
- As you are registering at the bottom of the page you will see "Message Lists" click yes to all, to make sure that you will receive e-mails regarding the schedule and order of skate.
- Now register each of the skaters in your family
- Once all the skaters in your family are added you can then proceed to registration
- Click competition name on the black banner. On the registration page click on the category you are looking for and then click on REGISTER for that event
- Event, then category, fill in the necessary information then confirm and choose the method of payment.
- Planned Program sheets for all Freeski and Artistic events must be submitted through Wufoo (link on Uplifter) by **January 9, 2026.
- <https://skatens.wufoo.com/forms/z1aqyz621vmkcq1/>

- **There will be a \$20 fee per event for any skater not completing a planned program sheet through Wufoo. This amount is due prior to registering at the competition, payment in etransfer to skatecanadans@sportnovascotia.ca.**
- All skaters must submit music online as part of the registration process. Music will only be accepted electronically in MP3 format and file identified with skater's full name and category. Music files are not kept from competition to competition.
- **There will be a \$20 fee for any skater not uploading the music file correctly labelled with the full skater's name and event at the time of registration. This amount is due when registering at the competition, payment in cash only. Any change to music will only be accepted at the competition with a \$20 fee.**
- **NO REFUNDS AFTER THE CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR ANY REASON (INCLUDING MEDICAL)**

LIABILITY

**Queen's County Blades SC as the organizers of this competition undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries therein, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injury to the competitor's person and property resulting from, caused by, or connected with the conduct and management of the competition and to release any and all claims which they may have against the officials, the Association and the organizers holding the competition and against their officers, and, their entries shall only be accepted on this condition.

Should this competition be cancelled for any reason, an administration fee will be charged (\$40.00) and deducted from the return entry fees.

MEDALS

Medals will be awarded to first, second and third place winners. If only one competitor is entered in the category then no award will be made. The presentation of medals will be done during Flood breaks. (Star 4 Synchro skaters will receive ribbons)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

A list of entries will be sent to each competitor through Uplifter by Skate Nova Scotia as the formal receipt and acknowledgment of entry after the close of registration. During the competition all events will start on time after the flood. **All information regarding the competition can be found on the Sportity app, event code 2026WIN**

Skaters entering multiple events do so with the understanding that there may be conflicts that cannot be resolved.

EVENTS

Please check the Skate Canada website www.skatecanada.ca info@skatecanada.ca for details on categories.

FREESKATE

STAR 4 U10, U13, O13

STAR 5 U10, U13, O13

STAR 6

STAR 7 under 14

STAR 7 O14

STAR 8

STAR 9

STAR 10

Gold

PreJuvenile U11

PreJuvenile U13

Juvenile U12

Juvenile U14

Adult

Introductory Pairs

PreNovice to Senior Singles, Pairs and Dance

Partnered Dance Categories open to all skaters, all ages, all gender
– **Series 8 music only**

Star 6/Star 7

Star 8/Star 9

Star 10/Gold

ARTISTIC

Star 5

Star 7

Star 9

Gold

Adult

Synchro

Star 4

Star 6 and above

Adult

REGISTRATION ON SITE

Registration will take place throughout the weekend at **Queen's Place Emera Centre. Registration opens one hour prior to the first event. **The schedule, start orders and results will be posted on the Sportity app event code 2026WIN.**

MUSIC

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the Performing Rights Society.

Competitors who have music composed especially for their programs, either in whole or in part, shall be responsible for obtaining a written release from the composer for the use of such music on radio and television, or appropriate clearance from the Performing Rights Society.

Skaters are asked to bring an MP3 version back-up of their music on a USB stick to the event, to be kept ice level with their coach. For skaters competing in more than 1 category, it is HIGHLY recommended that a separate back-up USB drive be available for each piece of music. Alternative electronic items such as cellphones, tablets, mp3 players etc. will not be accepted.

All music used must be legally obtained and covered by the collective societies who manage music performance rights, reprography, and mechanical reproduction rights in Canada. Competitors who have music composed specifically for their programs either wholly or in part, that has been significantly mixed or altered from the original recording, are also responsible for obtaining the appropriate licenses to create a derivative work for the compositions and sound recordings selected.

COACHES

Coaches must be a minimum of NCCP Regional Certified and must meet the following accreditation standards:

- be a current Professional Coaching Member of Skate Canada in **good standing**

It is mandatory for all participating coaches to register at the competition and show their accreditation at all times during the competition in order to be at ice level during the events. Coaches not in good standing by **January 15, 2026 will not be permitted to be at ice level.

Each skater is permitted a maximum of two coaches at the boards during warm up and event.

All such Fully Certified Coaches must ensure that they have proof of their Skate Canada registration on them at all times during the competition.

Events will not start more than 30 minutes ahead after each flood. Skaters should be at the rink 1 hour prior to the start of their event.

The schedule, start orders and results will be posted on the Sportity app. The detailed assessments will not be provided at registration following the event. The start orders will not be posted in the arena.