

2016 Magnolia Open Basic Skills Competition



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ENTRY DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 8, 2016

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COMPETITION CHAIR & REGISTRAR – Christi Fisher



The **2016 MAGNOLIA OPEN BASIC SKILLS COMPETITION** is designed to promote a fun introduction to the competitive sport of figure skating for beginning skaters. The competition is open to Snowplow Same, Basic 1-8, Free Skate 1-6, Beginner/High Beginner and Adult 1-4 skaters, and will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which 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 is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

The competition is open to all skaters who are members of either the Basic Skills Program and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must be a member in good standing.

All Snowplow Sam and Basic Skills skaters through Basic 8 must skate at the highest level passed or one level higher and no official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including Moves in the Field or individual dances.

Skaters will be divided by age in all divisions. All events are separate, and there will be no final rounds.

ENTRY FEES:

First Event	\$45.00
Each Additional Event	\$25.00

Entries must be completed via **EntryEeze** at www.entryeeze.com or by visiting www.atlantafsc.org to access the link by **Monday, February 8, 2016, 7pm EST**. Late entries will be subject to the approval of the Competition Chair and Chief Referee and will be assessed a late entry fee of \$30.

Club permissions and Coach approval will be processed through EntryEeze. After the completion of skater's registration, e-mails will automatically be sent to the skater's club and coach for their approvals. **PLEASE NOTE: Once a skater's event(s) have been coach approved, any entry change (event, level) are subject to referee approval and a \$20 change fee. No change will be processed until fee is paid.**

REFUND POLICY:

No refunds will be granted under any circumstances. The Atlanta FSC reserves the right to divide an event, limit the number of entries, and cancel an event (with refund) with only one entry. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held at The Cooler, which is located at 10800 Davis Drive, Alpharetta, GA, 30004. The two ice surfaces measure 200' x 85' with rounded corners and hockey barriers. The Cooler has locker rooms and a snack bar.

MUSIC: Skaters are to provide their CDs (standard format only, no CD-RW discs) with only one program on each and no more than a 2-second lead. The official competition music must be turned in at the **Registration Desk** at the time of check-in, at least one (1) hour prior to event. Skaters should have a back-up CD available. Vocal music is allowed for all events.

Music may be picked up at the registration desk following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Atlanta Figure Skating Club cannot be responsible for music left at the end of the competition.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, the Atlanta Figure Skating Club, and The Cooler 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.

JUDGING SYSTEM:

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for all events.

REGISTRATION:

The Registration Desk will open one (1) hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The registration desk will be located adjacent to the entrance of the rink. Please register promptly upon arrival.

PRACTICE ICE:

Practice ice will be available during the designated times throughout the competition. The cost of reserved practice ice (available at the time of registration through EntryEeze) is \$12.00 per 20-minute session. Those skaters who purchase reserve practice ice will have a selection period of one week in which to choose their sessions. This will then be followed by open sales for any remaining practices at a cost of \$18.00 for walk-up sessions.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:

Commercial video and photography will be provided during the competition.

For the safety and welfare of the skater, photography and videography will be permitted in the stands only and is restricted to hand-held/battery operated equipment (no tripods). **Flash photography is strictly prohibited while the competitors are skating.** No one will be permitted to obstruct the view of other seated spectators by standing in front of or hanging over the Plexiglas barriers or to film at alternative ice entrances. In order to comply with local fire safety codes, all aisles within the stands must also remain clear. Non-compliance with this policy or refusal to comply immediately with requests from event officials will result in the violator being escorted out of the rink.

AWARDS:

Medals will be presented to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th place winners in each competition event.

OFFICIAL NOTICES:

An official bulletin board will be maintained at the Registration Desk. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive 1 hour prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Registration

In order to be granted access to work within U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities, each coach must complete the following requirements on an annual basis by July 1:

A. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating - either through a member club or as an individual member;

B. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee of \$30 and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen.

C. Must complete the appropriate CER courses (A, B, C or D) depending on the highest level of students being coached as of July 1. See rule MR 5.12.

D. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

For Basic Skills ONLY coaches - Any person, 18 and older, instructing in a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills Program must have successfully passed the annual background screen and be registered as a Basic Skills instructor member.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions. We strongly urge *all* coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without proper registration is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

Credentials must be carried at all times in order to instruct skaters in the rinks and to enter coaches' hospitality.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to:

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaching%20Compliance%20Toolkit.pdf>

CONTACT INFO: If you have questions, please contact Christi Fisher by email at competitionchair@atlantafsc.org.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

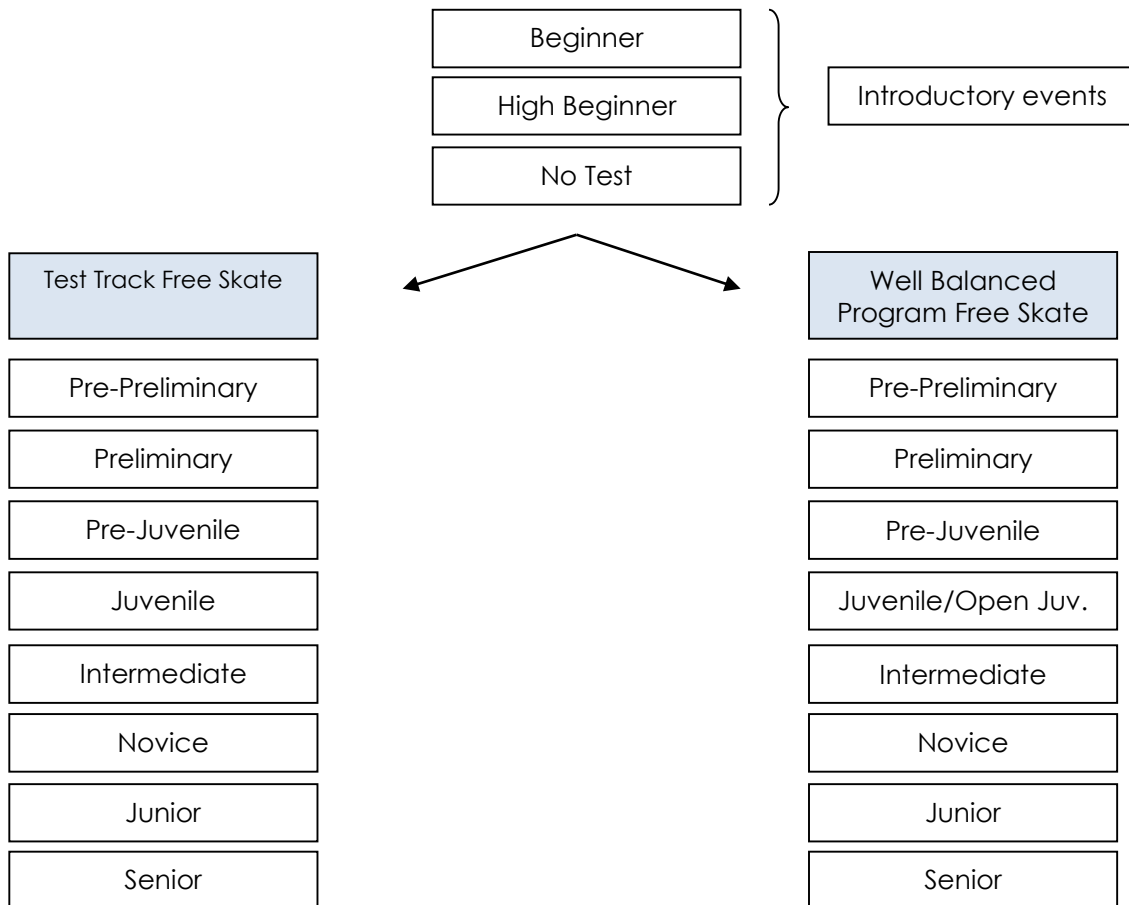
Official Host Hotel: Homewood Suites, 10700 Davis Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30004. Phone #770-998-1622. Please identify the Magnolia Open when making reservations.

For the safety of the skaters, flowers, stuffed animals and other items may NOT be thrown on the ice. Thank you for your cooperation.

SINGLES FREE SKATING EVENTS

See current rulebook for current rules and requirements.

Illustration of Singles Free Skating Events:



BASIC ELEMENTS EVENT

- To be skated on 1/2 ice.
- Each skater performs all of the required elements before moving to the next skater (no excessive connecting steps).
- **No music**
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed**

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Snowplow Sam 1-3	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two-foot glide and dip 2. Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
Basic 1	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two-foot glide and dip 2. Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
Basic 2	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one-foot glide, either foot 2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps in a straight line, 2-3 each foot 3. Moving snowplow stop 4. Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward 5. Backward two-foot swizzles, 6 - 8 in a row
Basic 3	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive 3. Forward slalom 4. Backward one-foot glide, either foot 5. Two-foot spin – minimum three revolutions
Basic 4	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward outside three-turn, right and left 2. Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise 3. Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions 4. Backward stroking, 4-6 strokes 5. Backward snowplow stop, right or left
Basic 5	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise 2. Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions 3. Basic one-foot spin, free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum three revolutions 4. Side toe hop, either direction 5. Hockey stop
Basic 6	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three-turn, right and left 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left 4. Lunge, right or left 5. T-stop, right or left
Basic 7	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside open mohawk, right to left and left to right 2. Ballet jump, either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position, clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
Basic 8	1:00 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns, right and left 2. Waltz jump (from a standstill) 3. Mazurka, either direction 4. 1 Combination move, clockwise <u>or</u> counter clockwise, two forward crossovers into forward inside mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin, free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position - minimum three revolutions

FREE SKATE 1-6 COMPULSORY EVENT

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:15 or less

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Free Skate 1	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advanced forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive 2. Backward outside three-turns, right and left 3. One-foot upright scratch spin from backward crossovers - minimum three revolutions 4. Waltz jump from backward crossovers 5. Half flip jump
Free Skate 2	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Forward outside or inside spiral, right or left 6. Waltz three's, right or left, 2-3 sets 7. Beginning back spin, entry optional – minimum two revolutions 8. Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump sequence 9. Toe loop jump
Free Skate 3	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward crossovers in a figure 8 2. Backward inside three-turns, right and left 3. Back spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Salchow jump 5. Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop jump combination
Free Skate 4	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left 7. Sit spin - minimum three revolutions 8. Loop jump 9. Waltz jump/loop jump combination
Free Skate 5	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Camel spin - minimum three revolutions 7. Forward upright spin to back upright spin - minimum three revolutions each foot 8. Loop/loop jump combination 9. Flip jump
Free Skate 6	1:15 max.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Five step mohawk sequence - one set alternating pattern (refer to Basic Skills Curriculum Free skate 6) 7. Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total 8. Split jump or stag jump 9. Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence 10. Lutz jump

INTRODUCTORY LEVELS COMPULSORY EVENT

Format: In simple program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional .

- To be skated on ½ ice
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	5. Waltz jump 6. ½ jump of choice 7. Forward two-foot or one-foot spin, minimum three revolutions (free leg position optional) 8. Forward or backward spiral
High Beginner	1:15 max.	10. Toe loop jump 11. Salchow jump 12. Forward scratch spin - minimum three revolutions 13. Forward or backward spiral

JUMPS CHALLENGE EVENT: BEGINNER AND HIGH BEGINNER

General event parameters:

1. Each jump may be attempted twice; the best attempt will be counted.
2. To be skated on ½ ice;

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Beginner	1:15 max.	1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers) 2. ½ flip or ½ Lutz 3. Single Salchow
High Beginner	1:15 max.	1. Waltz jump (from backward crossovers) 2. Single Salchow 3. Jump combination – waltz jump-toe loop

BASIC PROGRAM EVENT WITH MUSIC: SNOWFLOW SAM – BASIC 8

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise specified. Vocal music is allowed.

- To be skated on full ice
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level

Level	Time	Skating rules/standards
Snowplow Sam 1-3	1:00 +/-10 max.	9. March followed by a two-foot glide and dip 10. Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row 11. Forward snowplow stop 12. Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row
Basic 1	1:00 +/-10 max.	14. Forward two-foot glide and dip 15. Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row 16. Forward snowplow stop 17. Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row
Basic 2	1:00 +/-10 max.	6. Forward one-foot glide, either foot 7. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps in a straight line, 2-3 each foot 8. Moving snowplow stop 9. Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward 10. Backward two-foot swizzles, 6 - 8 in a row
Basic 3	1:00 +/-10 max.	10. Forward stroking 11. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive 12. Forward slalom 13. Backward one-foot glide, either foot 14. Two-foot spin, minimum three revolutions
Basic 4	1:00 +/-10 max.	10. Standstill forward outside three-turn, right and left 11. Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive both directions 12. Backward stroking, 4-6 strokes 13. Backward snowplow stop, right or left
Basic 5	1:00 +/-10 max.	11. Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions 12. Basic one-foot spin, free leg held to side of spinning leg, minimum three revolutions 13. Side toe hop, either direction 14. Hockey stop
Basic 6	1:00 +/-10 max.	6. Standstill forward inside three-turn, right and left 7. Bunny Hop 8. Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left 9. Lunge, right or left 10. T-stop, right or left
Basic 7	1:00 +/-10 max.	5. Standstill forward inside open Mohawk, right to left and left to right 6. Ballet Jump, either direction 7. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position, clockwise and counter clockwise 8. Forward inside pivot
Basic 8	1:00 +/-10 max.	4. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns, right and left 5. Waltz jump (from at standstill) 6. Mazurka, either direction 4. 1 Combination move, clockwise <u>or</u> counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin, free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position -minimum three revolutions

FREE SKATE PROGRAM EVENT WITH MUSIC: FREE SKATE 1-6

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times an element is executed, length of glides, number of revolutions, etc., unless otherwise stated. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program. Vocal music is allowed.

- To be skated on full ice
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use but is not required to use any additional elements from previous levels
- A 0.2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:30+/-10sec

Level	Time	Skating rules / standards
Free Skate 1	1:30+/-10 sec	5. Advanced forward stroking, 4-6 consecutive 6. One-foot upright scratch spin from backward crossovers, minimum three revolutions 7. Waltz jump from backward crossovers 4. Half flip jump
Free Skate 2	1:30+/-10 sec	18. Forward outside spiral, right or left 19. Beginning back spin – entry optional, minimum two revolutions 20. Waltz jump, side toe hop, waltz jump sequence 21. Toe loop jump
Free Skate 3	1:30+/-10 sec	6. Forward crossovers in a figure 8 7. Back spin, minimum three revolutions 8. Salchow jump 9. Waltz jump-toe loop or Salchow-toe loop jump combination
Free Skate 4	1:30+/-10 sec	15. Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left 16. Sit spin, minimum three revolutions 17. Loop jump 18. Waltz jump-loop jump combination
Free Skate 5	1:30+/-10 sec	14. Camel spin, minimum three revolutions 15. Forward upright spin to back upright spin, minimum three revolutions each foot 16. Loop-loop jump combination 17. Flip jump
Free Skate 6	1:30+/-10 sec	15. Camel, sit spin combination, minimum of four revolutions total 16. Split jump or stag jump 17. Waltz jump, ½ loop, Salchow jump sequence 18. Lutz jump

**INTRODUCTORY LEVELS PROGRAM EVENT WITH MUSIC:
BEGINNER AND HIGH BEGINNER**

General event parameters:

3. Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.
4. Level will be determined by the highest free skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or skate up to one level higher.
5. Minimum number of spin revolutions are in parentheses following the spin description. Revolutions must be in position.

Level	Jumps	Spins	Step Sequences	Qualifications
Beginner 1:40 Maximum	<i>Max. 5 jump elements:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front). • Max. 2 jump sequences • Max. 2 of any same jump 	<i>Max. 2 spins:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions) 	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
High Beginner 1:40 Maximum	<i>Max. 5 jump elements:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumps with no more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) • Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only. • Max. 2 jump combinations or sequences • Max. 2 of any same type jump. 	<i>Max. 2 spins:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min. 3 revolutions) 	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests