## 2024-25 ADULT QUALIFYING SEASON

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# 2024-25 DATES AND LOCATIONS

### **EASTERN ADULT SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

March 14-16, 2025 in Indian Trail, North Carolina Hosted by Carolinas FSC

### **MIDWESTERN ADULT SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

March 21-23, 2025 in Madison, Wisconsin Hosted by FSC of Madison

### **PACIFIC COAST ADULT SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

March 14-16, 2025 in Paramount, California Hosted by LAFSC







# **2024-25 DATES AND LOCATIONS**



**U.S. ADULT CHAMPIONSHIPS** April 2-5, 2025 in St. Louis Park, Minnesota Hosted by Twin City Figure Skating Association

**December 15 – Registration Opens** February 1 – Close of Registration, No EXCEPTIONS





# OFFICIAL COMPETITION WEBSITE

Please visit the qualifying competitions page under 'Compete' from the home screen for the most up to date competition info: https://www.usfigureskating.org/skate/compete/gualifying-competitions/competition-Info

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## QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS

The U.S. Figure Skating Qualifying Structure is in place for athletes who want to compete at U.S. Championship events in singles, pairs, ice dance, synchronized, collegiate and adults.

FIND A COMPETITION  $\rightarrow$ COMPETITION INFORMATION  $\rightarrow$ 





# **SPECIAL AWARDS**

- Special Achievement Awards Changes: if there is only one competitor in an event, the pins for highest presentation/chst/twizzles/side by side spin will not be awarded.
  Other changes can be found by going to skate → skating opportunities → adult skating → Adult Special Achievement Awards tab
- Skate Forever Young Awards: Eligible athletes will receive this award at the awards ceremony for their event at the Adult Championships or ACS Award Presentation.
- Lifetime Competitor: Adult Championship and ACS competitors are eligible. Skaters are responsible to register themselves to receive recognition. More information on registering can be found by going to skate → skating opportunities → adult skating → Lifetime Competitor Recognition Program tab
- Yvonne M. Dowlen Trophy: awarded to the oldest registered competitor at the Adult Champs, a skater can receive this once every 3 years
- Club Awards: Skaters earn points for their club with their placements. Small team trophy <175 skaters and Large team trophy 175+ are awarded at the conclusion of the U.S Adult Championships 5



# **NEW RULES**

### Adult Calling Clarifications Updates

- Adult Bronze Adult Gold spins: Five revolutions can earn a level, not eight
- Pairs: Pivot Figure and Death Spiral updates
- Please read carefully and email or message us questions

### 2024-25 Adult Solo Dance Handbook

- This can be found in Members Only and has all the information about levels, etc. for all levels of solo dance
- IJS for Champ Solo Dance, Gold Solo Dance, and Pre-Gold Solo Dance (both pattern and free dance)

### Championship Adult Solo Dance

■ For 2024-2025 the pattern dance is Viennese Waltz. The free dance is 2:40 +/- 10 seconds and is to be skated in accordance with the rules for the adult gold solo free dance event.

### Showcase Eligibility

- This is always tricky, please review the chart and email or message us questions
- Athletes are responsible for entering the correct level.



# **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

- **Headphones:** Earbuds and headphones of any kind will not be allowed on any practice sessions or warm-ups associated with the adult sectionals and adult championship competitions. If a skater is found to be wearing them on a practice session for these events, they are subject to be disgualified for the event. (See Rule 1322)
- Pairs and Dance Teams: When registering for a partnered event, only one member of the partnership will complete the event registration in EMS. Previously, the registering skater had sole control over the management of the registration. As of this season, the partner now has access to manage all the necessary competition items as well. Regardless of the partner being registered for other events, they will now have access to the competition portal for partnered event management, schedules and competition information.
- Skaters who enter more than one event assume the possibility of events being scheduled on the same day. The more events a skater enters, the higher this possibility is.



# **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

### Adult Championships and Adult Sectional Qualifying Events

- May NOT skate up a level
- Tests must be passed by February 1, 2025
  - Passing a test after February 1 which changes your level = DISQUALIFICATION
  - Tests which do not change competition level, example moves in the field, are OK
- Must be 21 by February 1, 2025. Age 50 for Centennial Dance/Pairs.

### **Adult Sectional Non-Qualifying Competition and Adult Competition Series Events**

- Skating up one level is permitted.
- Must be 18 by February 1, 2025

### Athletes are responsible for entering the correct level The schedule is NOT yet available



## 2024-25 ADULT QUALIFYING SEASON

## **Product Support**

- EMS and Registration
- How to troubleshoot
- Music/PPC
- Schedule Access







# **ADULT COMPETITION SERIES**

## What is the Adult Competition Series?

- Open to adult singles skaters ages 18 and up within the Eastern, Midwestern and Pacific Coast sections, including members of Learn to Skate USA
  - Must be 18 by February 1 0
  - **Included Levels:** Adult 1 through Adult Bronze, Adult Adaptive and Special Olympics Ο
- Skaters accumulate points based upon placement in the free skate event at local non-qualifying competitions and sanctioned virtual competitions
  - Minimum of one, max of two competitions
- These points, combined with points earned at the non-qualifying competition held in conjunction with each adult sectional championships, will be used to determine the final series placements within each section
- ACS awards will be presented at the non-qualifying competition held in conjunction with each adult sectional championships



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## Notes for this season:

THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS OR EXTENSIONS TO THESE DEADLINES! May 26, 2024 – February 19, 2025 – Compete at any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned non-qualifying competition offering the included levels

**February 1, 2025** – Deadline to register for the Series and for the Adult Sectionals competition on EMS

**February 21, 2025** – Deadline to submit competition and freeskate test results Skaters are responsible for submitting results to adultcompetitionseries@gmail.com

- If you already competed and forgot to send your results, you still can!
- All results must be received by via email to be considered for ACS standings

March 2025 – Adult Sectionals and the ACS Final Awards for each section



# **ADULT COMPETITION SERIES**

## **Additional Notes:**

- Skaters may compete in the series and at the non-qualifying competition at Adult Sectionals at their current freeskate test level or one level higher
- When registering via EMS, you will need to register at your current test level. All results are calculated outside of EMS, so level adjustments will be made there, along with credit for passing freeskate test(s) or moving up levels within the ACS levels
- Skating Skill Tests do NOT impact the competition level for the Series or for Freeskate events
- Skaters may NOT skate up at the Adult Championships
- Handbook and other details : Members Only Skating Opportunities Adults Series Info



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## QUESTIONS



Drop your Qs in the chat or email us!

## **EMAIL US!**

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