"Know Before You Register" | 2022 U.S. Figure Skating Qualifying Season Call

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Q: How do I verify I my membership is renewed for the 2021-22 season?

A: Any issues from this week have been resolved about the membership display (thank you for your patience). Log into www.usfsaonline.org to verify your status.

If you have additional questions, email <u>memberservices@usfigureskating.org</u>.

Q: Where do I find the citizenship forms?

A: The citizenship forms (Non-Citizen and Returning U.S. Citizen) will be available within the Championship Series Handbook (available next week) but the details/links can be found below.

If you are <u>not</u> a citizen of the United States and/or have represented another ISU federation (including within their qualifying structure), you must submit these forms!

These forms are only required once so if you have submitted for past seasons, you do not need to resubmit. Need to confirm you status? Email our team at events@usfigureskating.org and we'll confirm for you.

Non-Citizen: <u>Letter</u>, CC-01 <u>Form</u> Returning Citizen: <u>Letter</u>, CC-02 <u>Form</u> Request for Foreign Test Credit

Q: When does registration open and what can I register for?

A: Open Registration will open on July 15 at 12:00 p.m. ET, in addition to the Championship Series Application via EMS. Singles athletes can register for ONE competition (the second during Limited Registration, beginning August 10 at 12:00 p.m. ET). Pairs/Ice Dance teams can (and are encouraged) to register for TWO competitions during Open Registration.

Q: Do I have to register for the Championship Series (\$25)?

A: If an athlete wishes to advance within the qualifying season (i.e. U.S. Championships or the NHPTC), they must also register for the Championship Series – this registration is separate from competition registration and must be completed no later than September 1.

Q: I participate in singles and pairs/ice dance, what should I do?

A: Athletes should be prepared to compete at the same competitions where their disciplines are held but will need alternative plans if singles entries are maxed out at the second competition during the limited registration window.

Q: If I am a pre-preliminary singles skater, can I "register up" up to juvenile (i.e. two levels)?

A: No, athletes are only permitted to <u>register up one level</u>. A pre-juvenile singles skater may register up to juvenile over the summer but must meet the juvenile test requirements (fully processed) by the qualifying deadline, September 1. In consultation with the Chair of the Competitions and Test Committee, if an athlete is utilizing competition test credit or submitting a virtual test, it is recommended they submit their requirements no later than <u>August 15</u> to ensure there are no challenges meeting the September 1 eligibility deadline.

Q: What happens if I register up one level and do not meet the test requirements by September 1?

A: At the time of registration, all athletes are presented with the following statement and subsequent questions:

You must pass the required test(s) to compete at your selected level no later than September 1. If you do not meet this requirement, you must choose how you would like to proceed with your registration. Note: the answer you provide is binding and cannot be changed.

- I have met my test requirements for my selected level (i.e. NOT registering up).
- If I do not meet the test requirement by the deadline, change my series and competition registration to the level for which I am qualified.
- If I do not meet the test requirement by the deadline, withdraw me from the qualifying season and issue a refund.

U.S. Figure Skating will audit test eligibility against the "register up" entries throughout the qualifying registration windows. As a reminder, all testing information must be fully processed by September 1 which means the record must be available in the skater's member record. The Competitions Committee, in conjunction with the Test Committee, highly encourages all to have competition test credit and virtual test credit submitted no later than August 15 to ensure there are no challenges closer to the September 1 deadline.

Q: What do I do if I registered for the wrong level?

A: If registered for the incorrect level for the Championship Series Skater Application or any Championship Series competition registration(s), email productsupport@usfigureskating.org with member number and correct event level.

Q: What happens if my second-choice competition does not participate in the "Limited" registration window?

A: Athletes and coaches need to be prepared to pivot in the second registration window and have plan B/C ready. There will be no waiting lists for any of the Championship Series competitions – once they meet their "max", they can close registration at any time.

Q: Will nonqualifying competitions be held in conjunction?

A: Nonqualifying competitions are permitted to be held in conjunction with the Championship Series. Check the competition websites for additional information.

Q: How will advancement work?

A: Like the U.S. Figure Skating National Qualifying Series, results from the Championship Series events will be uploaded to U.S. Figure Skating's Event Management System (EMS) following each event and advancement will be based on TOP score (not placement). Sectional and national rankings will be available for participants. Advancement details can be found on slides 9/10 here.