

2020 Qualifying Competition Season General Announcement

As of July 15, 2019

I. Overview

The U.S. Figure Skating qualifying pipeline consists of the following:

- National Qualifying Series (NQS)
- Registration closed on May 28, 2019
- Series events conducted June to September 2019
 - o This is an optional series for qualifying level skaters interested in earning a sectional and national rank and potentially qualifying for direct advancement to the Sectional Singles Finals or U.S. Pairs or U.S. Ice Dance Finals based on their final series standings.
- Regional Singles Challenge (nine regional events), Sectional Pairs Challenge (three) and Sectional Ice Dance Challenge (three)
- Events conducted in October 2019
- Registration opens July 15, 2019 and closes Sept. 1, 2019. All interested athletes (including potential byes, NQS athletes, etc...) **MUST** enter within this registration window.
 - Sectional pairs and ice dance challenges will be held in conjunction with one regional singles challenge within their section.
- Sectional Singles Final (three), U.S. Pairs Final and U.S. Ice Dance Final
- Events conducted in November 2019
- Require qualification from the Regional/Sectional Challenges or bye (NQS, International...)
 - o The U.S. Pairs and Ice Dance Finals will be held in conjunction with one sectional singles final.
- U.S. Figure Skating Championships January, 20-26, 2020 (Greensboro, N.C.)
 - Senior singles, pairs and ice dance, all competitors that qualify for the U.S. Figure Skating Championships through their placement at a Sectional Singles Final, the U.S. Pairs Final or the U.S. Dance Final, <u>MUST</u> also have met a minimum Total Elements Score (TES) during the season to compete at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships. Click <u>here</u> for scores and details.
 - Junior singles, pairs and ice dance
 - In novice ladies and novice men, the top two finishers at each Sectional Singles Final (no alternates) will be invited to compete at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in the junior ladies or junior men's event.
- National High-Performance Development Camp January 26-29, 2020 (Charlotte, N.C.)
 - The National High-Performance Development Team and Camp (NHPDT) is a new program run by the U.S. Figure Skating High Performance Department which will debut in January 2020. In lieu of the top performing juvenile, intermediate and novice athletes competing at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, they will instead qualify for the National High-Performance Development Team, which will commence with a training camp immediately following the U.S. Figure Skating Championships. Outcomes of the training camp will include assignment of some athletes to international competitions and/or additional high-

performance opportunities.

All events are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and conducted according to the most current U.S. Figure Skating rulebook, 2019-20 edition, with changes and clarifications as posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website and in this announcement. Compliance with these rules as updated or amended is the responsibility of the participants. U.S. Figure Skating reserves the right to incorporate revisions to the international judging system (IJS) made by the ISU for senior events and by U.S. Figure Skating to junior events and below.

The competitions are only open to competitors who (1) Are current members of U.S. Figure Skating (2) Meet the eligibility requirements according to U.S. Figure Skating Rule 2211 (3) Meet all age and test requirements pertaining to the event to be entered and (4) Meet the citizen and residency requirements as stated in Rules 2230-2243 of the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. Consult the rulebook to ensure you complete the necessary requirements.

For additional information on the qualifying competitive pipeline and changes for the 2019-2020 season, click <u>here</u>.

Coaches at U.S. Figure Skating Qualifying Competitions

To be a credentialed coach at a U.S. Figure Skating qualifying level competition, a professional coach or choreographer must meet the following requirements:

- Be declared by a skater at the time of registration or through their <u>Event Management</u> System (EMS) Portal
- Current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating <u>AND</u> the Professional Skater's Association
- Completed background check (green light status)*
- Completed SafeSport Training*
 - o Requirements outlined here. There is no cost to this training portion.
- Continuing Education Requirements (CERs) for the 2019-20 Competition Season
- Proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

Each local organizing committee (LOC) will be provided access via U.S. Figure Skating's Event Management System (EMS) to verify coach compliance. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. Coaches who are NOT compliant at time of check-in will need to show proof of any/all missing compliance items prior to being accredited. If a coach cannot provide the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions.

A declared coach has access to the Event Management System (EMS) for each of their skater's competition(s). A coach's approval is not required for any qualifying registrations as it is connected to the skater's U.S. Figure Skating membership and test record. For additional information with regard to EMS, follow the links here: schedule and skater music/PPC.

Determining a Skater's Competitive Region

Region of entry will be determined in accordance with rule 2410. Singles skaters not also entering a partnered event must compete at the regional challenge held in the region in which their home club is located. This applies to ALL levels.

Pairs and ice dance couples with different home clubs may choose to compete in the sectional challenge of either partner's home club. Skaters entering a singles event in addition to a partnered event must enter a regional challenge of either their home club region or the home club region of their partner

within the section they chose for their partnered event. If a singles skater is competing in the home club region of their partner, email events@usfigureskating.org.

Qualifying Events – 2020 Season

A. REGIONAL & SECTIONAL CHALLENGES

*Note: competition days are subject to change based on entries, check the competition websites for updates

Week One: October 2-6, 2019

2020 South Atlantic Regional Singles Challenge & <u>Eastern Sectional Ice Dance and Pairs Challenge</u> Aston, Pennsylvania (IceWorks SC) – <u>www.saregionals.com</u>

2020 Eastern Great Lakes Regional Singles Challenge & <u>Midwestern Sectional Ice Dance Challenge</u> Lansing, Michigan (Lansing SC) – <u>www.eglregionals.com</u>

2020 Northwest Pacific Regional Singles Challenge Mountlake Terrace, Washington (Seattle SC) – www.nwpregionals.com

Week Two: October 16-20, 2019

2020 Southwestern Regional Singles Challenge & <u>Midwestern Sectional Pairs Challenge</u> Colorado Springs, Colorado (Broadmoor SC) – <u>www.swregionals.com</u>

2020 Southwest Pacific Regional Singles Challenge & <u>Pacific Coast Pairs Challenge</u> Irvine, California (All Year FSC) – <u>www.swpregionals.com</u>

Week Three: October 23-27, 2019

2020 Central Pacific Regional Singles Challenge & <u>Pacific Coast Ice Dance Challenge</u> Salt Lake City, Utah (Salt Lake Figure Skating) – <u>www.cpregionals.com</u>

2020 New England Regional Singles Challenge AND North Atlantic Regional Singles Challenge Westborough, Massachusetts (NorthStar FSC) – www.neregionals.com
*note: these challenges will be held in the same location but run as two separate competitions

2020 Upper Great Lakes Regional Singles Challenge Saint Paul, Minnesota (St. Paul FSC) – www.uglregionals.com

B. SECTIONAL SINGLES FINALS & U.S. FINALS

2020 Eastern Sectional Singles Final & U.S. Ice Dance Final November 12-16, 2019

Hyannis, Massachusetts (Yarmouth Ice Club) – www.easternsectionals.com

2020 Midwestern Sectional Singles Final & U.S. Pairs Final November 12-16, 2019
Allen, Texas (Dallas FSC) – www.midwesternsectionals.com

2020 Pacific Coast Sectional Singles Final November 12-16, 2019 Wenatchee, Washington (PNIC) – <u>www.pacificcoastsectionals.com</u>

C. U.S. FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS (Junior/Senior only)

2020 U.S. Figure Skating Championships January 20-26, 2020 Greensboro, North Carolina www.2020USChampionships.com

D. NATIONAL HIGH-PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT TEAM AND CAMP (Juvenile - Novice)

2020 National High-Performance Development Team & Camp

Extreme Ice Arena – Indian Trail, North Carolina

Pairs and Dance: January 27-28, 2020

Singles: January 27–29, 2020

Additional details and schedules will be sent to those invited to attend in November 2019.

II. Event Management System (EMS) Registration

All skaters are required to register online via the U.S. Figure Skating Event Management System (EMS) no later than September 1, 2019.

- 1. Log on to www.usfsaonline.org
- 2. Select Event Management System (EMS)
- 3. Choose **COMPETITION REGISTRATION**
- 4. Under Qualifying Competitions click **REGISTER NOW**
- 5. Complete registration and payment

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH REGISTRATION OR THE EVENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS),

EMAIL: PRODUCTSUPPORT@USFIGURESKATING.ORG

Deadlines

A. Registration

<u>ALL athlete registrations are due by 11:59pm Eastern Standard Time on September 1, 2019</u>. Additionally, all age and test requirements must be met by the registration deadline. Provisional entries based on passing a test after the closing date of entries will not be accepted. Please refer to U.S. Figure Skating Rules 2420 – 2423 for further testing information and guidelines.

Skaters entering a singles event in addition to a partnered event must enter a regional challenge of either their home club region or the home club region of their partner within the section they have chosen for the partnered event. *If a singles skater is competing in the home club of their partner, please register for your respective regional and email the change request to events@usfigureskating.org.

REGISTRATION OPENS

Monday, July 15, 2019 at 5:00pm ET

REGISTRATION CLOSES

Saturday, September 1, 2019 at 11:59pm ET

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!

B. Music Upload & Planned Program Content

All skaters entering the 2020 qualifying competition season are required to upload their competition music, and submit their planned program content at least one week prior to competition start date (see competition websites for specific dates). All music and PPC submissions must be made via the EMS Skater Portal. Follow the links for directions: music and PPC.

All skaters are reminded to bring a backup CD on-site in case of technical difficulties.

*Note: coaches cannot submit music or PPC through EMS on behalf of the skaters.

C. Confirming your coaches

All skaters attending a qualifying event are required to list any attending coaches in the "My Coaches" within EMS. By listing a coach in this portal, you allow a coach to receive their event credential and grant them access to view your event schedule, as well as your music and planned program submission status.

Entry Fees

All competitors entering the 2020 qualifying competition season must submit payment of the \$200 entry fee, plus \$10 administration fee to U.S. Figure Skating. All competitors wishing to compete in the qualifying season, including those who anticipate receiving a bye, must enter by the September 1 deadline.

2020 Qualifying Competition Season Entry Fees

ENTRY FEE	LEVEL/DISCIPLINE
\$200/ATHLETE	SINGLES: Juvenile/Intermediate/Novice/Junior/Senior (First competition at Regional Singles Challenge)
\$200/TEAM	PAIRS/DANCE: Juvenile/Intermediate/Novice/Junior/Senior (First competition at Sectionals Pairs or Dance Challenge)
\$10/ENTRY	Administration Fee

Sectional Challenge Qualifying Entry Fees

Skaters/teams advancing from a challenge event to a final will incur an additional \$200 entry fee and \$10 administration fee. Competitors will receive an e-mail from U.S. Figure Skating Headquarters outlining the payment process after their respective challenge events have concluded. Skaters/teams receiving byes or who advance per the fill up rule will NOT incur any additional entry or administrative fees. Your registration is not considered valid until all appropriate entry and administrative fees are paid.

Entry Fee Payment

Online payment via credit card is the ONLY accepted form of payment for the qualifying season.

Withdrawal

All withdrawals are considered final. Refunds are not given for any reason. A skater may not re-enter even if the withdrawal occurs prior to the entry deadline on September 1, 2019. If you need to withdraw, you MUST send an email to events@usfigureskating.org with your name, U.S. Figure Skating membership number, event in which you registered (i.e. Junior Ladies) and the competition from which you wish to withdraw.

III. Advancement to Sectional Singles Final

Singles Qualifying for Sectional Final

- A. Top six skaters in their section, in their level, at the National Qualifying Series
- B. Top four at a Regional Singles Challenge

- C. For junior or senior events, any Team USA skater, defined in ICR 3.04, who has been assigned to an international competition, and competes in that event; regardless of whether it conflicts with their Regional Singles Challenge
- D. Having four or fewer entries in any singles event at a Regional Singles Challenge or having 12 or fewer entries in all Regional Singles Challenges <u>within their section</u>
- E. Having won the U.S. Championships at the junior level in the previous season, if competing at the junior level this season
- F. Having won the Sectional Singles Final (2019 Sectional Figure Skating Championships) at the senior level the previous season

NOTE: competitors qualifying under (A) or (C) through (F) have the choice to compete at their Regional Singles Challenge but do not lose their bye to the Sectional Singles Final, regardless of placement, nor displace a skater who would have placed in the top four at the Regional Singles Challenge if said skater had not competed.

Pairs & Dance Qualifying for U.S. Final

- A. Placing in the top three, of all teams nationwide, in their level, at the National Qualifying Series
- B. Placing in the top five at a Sectional Ice Dance or Pairs Challenge
- C. For junior or senior events, any Team USA team, defined in ICR 3.04, who has been assigned to an international competition, and competes in that event; regardless of whether it conflicts with their Sectional Challenge
- D. For junior or senior events, having five or fewer entries in their event at a Sectional Ice Dance or Pairs Challenge, or 15 or fewer entries in their event in all Sectional Challenges nationwide
- E. Having won the U.S. Championships at the junior level in the previous season, if competing at the junior level this season
- F. Having won the U.S. Ice Dance or Pairs Final (2019 Sectional Figure Skating Championships) at the senior level the previous season

NOTE: competitors qualifying under (A) or (C) through (F) have the choice to compete at their Sectional Ice Dance or Pairs Challenge but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Ice Dance or Pairs Final, regardless of placement, nor displace a team who would have placed in the top five at the Sectional Challenge if said team had not competed.

IV. Advancement to U.S. Championships

Qualifying for the U.S. Figure Skating Championships (Junior and Senior Events)

A. JUNIOR SINGLES (Rule 2501)

- o Placing in the top 4 in junior at their respective Sectional Singles Final;
- o Placing in the top 2 in novice at their respective Sectional Singles Final;
- Earning a bye:
 - For qualifying to compete in the same event at the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final:
 - As a member of the United States Figure Skating Team who meets the approved criteria per rule 2511. Competitors qualifying under this subparagraph (3) have the choice to compete at their Sectional Singles Final but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, regardless of placement, nor displace a skater who would have placed in the top four at the Sectional Singles Final if said skater had not competed. At such final the top four places plus the byed competitor(s) will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

B. SENIOR SINGLES (Rule 2501)

- Meeting the minimum required technical score per rule 2505 (Men: 92.0, Ladies: 75.0) and;
- o Placing in the top 4 in senior at their respective Sectional Singles Final;
- Earning a bye;
 - For placing in the top five in the same event at last year's U.S. Figure Skating Championships;
 - For winning a medal in the same event at the most recent World Championships and most recent Olympic Winter Games;
 - For qualifying to compete in the same event at the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final or Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final;
 - As a member of the United States Figure Skating Team who meets the approved criteria per rule 2511. Competitors qualifying under this subparagraph (2) have the choice to compete at their Sectional Singles Final but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, regardless of placement, nor displace a skater who would have placed in the top four at the Sectional Singles Final if said skater had not competed. At such final the top four places plus the byed competitor(s) will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, provided that all meet the minimum technical score per rule 2505.

C. JUNIOR PAIRS (Rule 2502)

- o Placing in the top 12 in junior at the U.S. Pairs Final;
- Earning a bye;
 - For qualifying to compete in the same event at the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final;
 - As a member of the United States Figure Skating Team who meets the approved criteria per rule 2511. Teams qualifying under this subparagraph (2) have the choice to compete at the U.S. Pairs Final but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, regardless of placement, nor displace a team who would have placed in the top 12 at the U.S. Pairs Final if said team had not competed. At such final the top 12 places plus the byed competitor(s) will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

D. SENIOR PAIRS (Rule 2502)

- Meeting the minimum required technical score per rule 2505 (Pairs: 68.0) and;
- o Placing in the top 12 in senior at the U.S. Pairs Final;
- Earning a bye;
 - For placing in the top five in the same event at last year's U.S. Figure Skating Championships;
 - For winning a medal in the same event at the most recent World Championships and most recent Olympic Winter Games;
 - For qualifying to compete in the same event at the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final or Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final;
 - As a member of the United States Figure Skating Team who meets the approved criteria per rule 2511. Teams qualifying under this subparagraph (2) have the choice to compete at the U.S. Pairs Final but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, regardless of placement, nor displace a team who would have placed in the top 12 at the U.S. Pairs Final if said team had not competed. At such final the top12 places plus the byed competitor(s) will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, provided that all meet the minimum technical score per rule 2505.

E. JUNIOR ICE DANCE (Rule 2503)

- o Placing in the top 12 in junior at the U.S. Ice Dance Final;
- Earning a bye;
 - For qualifying to compete in the same event at the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final;
 - As a member of the United States Figure Skating Team who meets the approved criteria per rule 2511. Teams qualifying under this subparagraph (2) have the choice to compete at the U.S. Ice Dance Final but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, regardless of placement, nor displace a team who would have placed in the top 12 at the U.S. Ice Dance Final if said team had not competed. At such final the top 12 places plus the byed competitor(s) will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

F. SENIOR ICE DANCE (Rule 2503)

- o Meeting the minimum required technical score per rule 2505 (Ice Dance: 65.0) and;
- o Placing in the top 12 in senior at the U.S. Ice Dance Final;
- Earning a bye;
 - For placing in the top five in the same event at last year's U.S. Figure Skating Championships;
 - For winning a medal in the same event at the most recent World Championships and most recent Olympic Winter Games;
 - For qualifying to compete in the same event at the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final or Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final;
 - As a member of the United States Figure Skating Team who meets the approved criteria per rule 2511. Teams qualifying under this subparagraph (2) have the choice to compete at the U.S. Pairs Final but do not lose their bye to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, regardless of placement, nor displace a team who would have placed in the top 12 at the U.S. Pairs Final if said team had not competed. At such final the top12 places plus the byed competitor(s) will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, provided that all meet the minimum technical score per rule 2505.

NOTES ON ADVANCEMENT TO U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- Competitors who qualify for the senior events at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships through rule 2501 (B), rule 2502 (B) or rule 2503 (B) must also have met a minimum total element score (TES) at one of the following competitions in the same season: any National Qualifying Series)NQS) competition, a Regional Singles Challenge, a Sectional Singles Final, a Sectional Pairs or Ice Dance Challenge, the U.S. Pairs or Ice Dance Final <u>OR</u> any ISU competition.
 - The minimum TES for the 2019-2020 qualifying season can be found <u>here</u>. The minimum TES will be determined annually.
- There are NO alternates for the championship (senior) events at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships. Review rule 2521 regarding alternates for the junior events.
- Additional bye criteria will be posted on <u>www.usfsaonline.org</u> no later than August 15, 2019.

V. Technical Details

Conduct of Events

For the 2020 season, all events and levels at all qualifying competitions (challenge, final, and U.S.

Championships) will be conducted in accordance with the international judging system (IJS). Check the U.S. Figure Skating website for technical and/or rules updates <u>here</u>.

Age and Test Qualifications

All age and test requirements can be found in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook starting with Rule 4200. Age requirements must be met by September 1, 2019. Test requirements must be met prior to registration.

Technical Elements

The well-balanced program charts for all levels and disciplines are posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website at www.usfigureskating.org/story?id=84109. As referenced earlier in this announcement, U.S. Figure Skating will incorporate all changes made by the ISU with regard to well-balanced programs. Please refer to this web site often for continuous updates.

Seeding and Qualifying Rounds at Regional Challenge

A skater who is added to an event due to unforeseen circumstances will be added to one of the groups (which group will be at the discretion of the chief referee) up to 24 hours before the start of the first qualifying group in that event. No reseeding or reassignments between groups will be made after the competitors are notified of their qualifying groups. Posting of the start order will be on the LOC website or the arena. The official schedule of events will be posted at the competition.

VI. Additional Information

Liability

U.S. Figure Skating, the host club(s) and/or interclub association, the organizing committee, and the ice arenas being utilized for these events accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in these championships (U.S. Figure Skating Rule 1600).

Anti-Dopina

Anti-doping tests will be conducted at the 2020 U.S. Figure Skating Championships, held in Greensborough, North Carolina, Jan. 20-26, 2020. Anti-Doping testing will be conducted in the Senior-level events only and consist of the top four place-winners plus one random selection for each discipline. If selected, testing is mandatory.

Contacts

Competitions Committee

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2020 South Atlantic Regional Singles Challenge AND 2020 Eastern Ice Dance & Pairs Sectional Challenge

The 2020 South Atlantic Regional Singles Challenge and Eastern Ice Dance and Pairs Sectional Challenge will be held in Aston, Pennsylvania from October 1st through October 6th, 2019. These championships are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and hosted by the IceWorks Skating Club.

COMPETITION WEBSITE

www.saregionals.com

The official competition website will contain all pertinent and up-to-date information regarding the event. All information on the competition website supersedes any previous information, including information outlined in this announcement.

ARENAS

Competition + Practice Arena

IceWorks Skating Complex 3100 Dutton Mill Road Aston, PA 19014 www.iceworks.net

REGISTRATION

- 1. Log on to Members Only at www.usfsaonline.org
- 2. Click the blue EMS button
- 3. Click Competition Registration from the right hand menu
- 4. Select:
 - a. 2020 South Atlantic Regional Singles Challenge
 - b. 2020 Eastern Ice Dance & Pairs Sectional Challenge (*only one partner registers)

Note: if competing in both singles and pairs/dance, registration must be processed separately!

COMPETITION CHECKLIST:

- 1. Complete registration via EMS
- 2. Visit competition website (<u>www.saregionals.com</u>) to complete MANDATORY forms and prepurchase competition items
- 3. EMS Skater Portal:
 - a. Pre-purchase practice ice
 - b. Upload Music
 - c. Submit Planned Program Content
 - d. Update Coaches (if needed)

HOTEL & TRANSPORTATION

Hampton Inn and Suites by Hilton

300 S Beatty Rd Media, Pa 19063 Phone: 484-443-8899

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Rate: \$139.00/ night with breakfast

Sheraton Suites Wilmington Downtown

422 Delaware Avenue Wilmington, DE 19801 Phone: 302-576-8034

Rate: \$149.00/night

Best Western Plus Concordville

Rte. 322 and Baltimore Pike Concordville, PA 19342

Phone: 610-358-9400 Ext 627

Rate; \$145.00/night with breakfast

Doubletree Wilmington Concord Pike

4727 Concord Pike

Wilmington

Phone: 302-351-5520 Rate: \$132.00/ night

Additional Hotels will be listed on the official website, <u>www.saregionals.com</u> and the IceWorks Skating Club website, <u>www.iceworkssc.org</u>

All competitors are responsible for all their own arrangements concerning travel and lodging.

Closest Airport: Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) is approximately a 15 minute drive from IceWorks Skating Complex just North on Interstate highway 95.

Closest Train Station: Wilmington Train Station is the closest train station approximately 20 minutes south of IceWorks Skating Complex just off Interstate highway 95.

30th Street Station on 30th and Market Streets in Philadelphia is also a viable option and is about 30 minutes North of IceWorks Skating Complex.

EVENT SCHEDULE

A tentative schedule can be found on the competition website: www.saregionals.com and www.saregionals.com and

Please note <u>this schedule is tentative</u> and SUBJECT TO CHANGE. An updated schedule will be available as soon as possible after the close of entries via the Event Management System (EMS) Portal (skaters and coaches), in addition to the competition <u>website</u>.

PRACTICE ICE

Practice ice will only be sold through the Event Management System (EMS).

SINGLES:

Unofficial practice ice (UPI – no music) will be available for pre-purchase.

No official practice ice (OPI) or pre-event warm ups (WU) will be offered at this competition for singles competitors.

ICE DANCE + PAIRS:

Unofficial practice ice (UPI – no music) AND official practice ice (OPI – music) will be available for prepurchase.

Click here for additional information on pricing and timelines!

MUSIC & PPC DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 AT 11:59 PM ET

Music and PPC must be uploaded to EMS prior to the submission deadline. If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN BOARD

The official bulletin board will be located at the registration desk in the Lobby of the IceWorks Skating Complex

CREDENTIALS

All credentials must be picked up at the event registration desk. Skaters will not be able to receive their credential until music and planned program content have been received. Only coaches who are listed in the EMS Skater Profile and are fully compliant within U.S. Figure Skating and SafeSport guidelines will receive a credential. Coaches must show photo ID at the registration desk and must pick up their own credential. Credentials must be worn at all times at the competition facility and are non-transferable.

Each athlete will also receive ONE Chaperone Credential.

Please fill out the mandatory Chaperone Credential form found at www.saregionals.com. A photo ID must be shown by the Chaperone when the credential is picked up

Additional Coach Credentials can be pre-purchased through the website <u>www.saregionals.com</u> or at the registration desk. All Additional Coach Credentials are \$40.00.

Any lost credentials will be replaced for an additional charge of \$25.00/credential

The Registration desk for the 2020 South Atlantic Regional Singles Challenge and Eastern Ice Dance and Pairs Sectional Challenge will be located in the lobby of Rinks 1 and 2. The Registration desk will open on Monday September 30th, 2019 from 4pm-7pm and reopen each day at least 30 minutes prior to the first event of the day. All skaters must check in at least 30 minutes prior to their first event to verify their information and receive their gift bag along with pre purchased items. The Registration desk will remain open throughout the competition.

EVENT PROGRAM & PRE-ORDERS FOR MERCHANDISE

Information regarding photo submission for the event program as well as pre-order opportunities will be available on the competition website, www.saregionals.com under the merchandise tab and on the IceWorks Skating Club Website. Skaters will be able to pre order programs, pins and merchandise at a discounted rate prior to the competition and deadline.

AWARDS

Awards will be presented to athletes in first through fourth place skaters in each event for qualifying rounds and final events. Advancement information will be provided by U.S. Figure Skating headquarters within 48 hours of the event conclusion.

EVENT PHOTO & VIDEO

Event Video

The U.S. Figure Skating Production Team will serve as the official video provider for this event. To preorder video, visit www.usfigureskatingdigital.com. *Please note that videotaping of the competition, including practice ice, in any form in strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating Policy.

Event Photos

Photographer information and preorder forms can be found at the official website, www.saregionals.com Please note, flash photography of the competition including the practice ice is strictly prohibited.

ADMISSION

Tickets will be required for all non-credentialed individuals.

Tickets are required for all events and practice sessions. Tickets will be available both online at www.saregionals.com under the merchandise tab and at the door.

<u>Ticket Information</u>

All Event Passes \$35.00 Daily Passes \$15.00

CONTACT INFORMATION

Below are key contacts for the event. Please allow up to 48 hours for response.

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Lisa Shaw

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Chief Referee

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Registration/EMS Support

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