

2007 GOLDEN WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

For Freeskating, Singles and Pairs

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Culver Ice Arena

August 30, 31, September 1&2, 2007
4545 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City, CA



Sanctioned by US Figure Skating

ENTRY DEADLINE: Wednesday, August 1, 2007
GENERAL RULES

The 2007 Golden West Championships shall be held in accordance with the rules of the United States Figure Skating Association per the 2007-2008 Competition Rules for Qualifying Competitions as published in the 2006/2007 US Figure Skating rulebook and as amended at the 2007 Governing Council Meeting, ISU Communications for Juniors and Seniors and as otherwise stated herein. These championships are open to all eligible skaters. The championships will consist of events in Freeskating, Singles and Pairs. Any change in the championships' rules or schedules will be posted at the Culver Ice Arena and on the web at www.allyearfsc.com and shall be considered sufficient notice to all competitors and officials.

QUALIFICATIONS

All competitors must be eligible persons as of close of entries. Qualifying tests must be passed by August 1, 2007 for Open Juvenile, Pre-Juvenile levels and below. Skaters entered in Juvenile and above may skate one level higher than that for which they are qualified as of August 1, 2007. Changes of level due to outcome of a test will not be allowed after August 15, 2007. Age restrictions apply for Pre-Preliminary through Intermediate events as identified in the "Events" section. ALL ages are as of September 1, 2007.

ENTRIES

Completed entry forms and entry fees payable to AYFSC **must be received by the registrar (NOT POSTMARKED) by the close of entries**, Wednesday, August 1, 2007. **NOTE:** Express and Priority Mail are accepted ONLY without signature requirements. Entries received after the close of entries will be subject to a \$30.00 late fee and may not be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee. In no case will late entries be accepted after the draw. All returned checks will be subject to a \$35.00 processing fee. The entry fee plus the processing fee must be paid in cash, by money order or by cashier's check to the registrar prior to the skater's first event in order for the skater to compete. Submit entry forms and required fees to:

Registrar:

Helene Krasner

5710 Crescent Park East #108

Playa Vista, CA 90094

Phone: home: 310-823-1565/ E-mail: hjkrasner@aol.com

NO CALLS AFTER 9pm!

REFUNDS

Refunds will be given if skater withdraws before close of entries. **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON AFTER CLOSE OF ENTRIES, except as provided by Rule 3235.**

AWARDS

Awards will be presented for the first four placed skaters for initial and final freeskating rounds. All competitors in the Final Round Freeskating (Long Program) events will be eligible for the 2007 Golden West Achievement Award to be presented at the completion of the competition. The Ronald O. Nichols Memorial Trophy will be presented to the Golden West Juvenile Girls Champion. The Les Seale Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the Golden West Intermediate Ladies Champion.

REGISTRATION AND MUSIC

A registration desk will be set up in the entrance area of Culver Ice Arena during the Championships. All skaters are required to register, with CD (only), a minimum of forty-five (45) minutes prior to the scheduled time for their event. CDs must be clearly marked with the name of the skater and event. Only one music program per CD will be allowed. The skater should have an extra CD in the ice arena. Note: CD-RW will not be accepted.

ARENA FACILITIES

All events of the competition will be held at the Culver Ice Arena, 4545 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City, CA. The ice surface is approximately 85' x 200', slightly rounded at the corners.

ADMISSION

Adults - \$10.00/day Seniors (62+) - \$5.00/day
 Competitors, Professionals, Children under 12 (if accompanied by an adult) - no charge
 One chaperone per skater - no charge (if badge requested on entry form)
One Additional Chaperone Badge may be purchased for \$20.00

ENTRY FEES

| LEVEL | EVENT | | LEVEL | EVENT | |
|-----------------|-------|---------------|---------------|-------|----------------|
| | FS | Pair | | FS | Pair |
| Pre-Preliminary | \$75 | | Intermediate | \$95 | \$100 per Team |
| Preliminary | \$75 | | Novice | \$95 | \$110 per Team |
| Pre-Juvenile | \$75 | | Junior | \$95 | \$110 per Team |
| Juvenile | \$85 | \$90 per Team | Senior | \$95 | \$110 per Team |
| Open Juvenile | \$80 | | Adult Bronze | \$75 | |
| | | | Adult Silver | \$75 | |
| | | | Adult Gold | \$85 | |
| | | | Adult Masters | \$90 | |

QUALIFYING ROUNDS

Qualifying Rounds will be held for each Freeskating event where the number of entrants exceeds 18 for Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile events, split by age; and 20 for Juvenile, Open Juvenile through Senior events, split per Rule 3270. Group sizes may be changed at the discretion of the Chief Referee. The Qualifying Round for Freeskating events will be Freeskating (Long Program) only. Championship (Final) Rounds for Freeskating events will consist of Freeskating for Juvenile/Open Juvenile and below; Short Program and Freeskating (Long Program) - Intermediate through Senior. The skaters in the Qualifying Rounds will be seeded according to the applicable rules for qualifying competitions in the 2007 US Figure Skating Rulebook.

DRAW FOR SKATING ORDER

The skating order will be determined by closed draw.

EVENTS & SYSTEM OF SCORING

An event must have a minimum of three entries to be scheduled and a minimum of two competitors to be held. The 6.0 system of judging will be used for Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile and Open Juvenile. The ISU Judging System (IJS) will be used for Juvenile and Intermediate Final Rounds in addition to all Novice, Junior and Senior Singles and Pairs events. The ISU Judging System (IJS) may be used for Juvenile and Intermediate Qualifying Rounds (if time permits). Otherwise, the 6.0 system of judging will be used for Qualifying Rounds. All efforts will be made to use IJS for Juvenile and Intermediate Qualifying rounds

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

A copy of the schedule of events will be mailed or e-mailed (if e-mail address is provided) to each competitor. The schedule and notices will be posted at Culver Ice Arena and at All Year FSC website. www.allyearfsc.com

LEVELS AND EVENTS TO BE SKATED

| LEVEL | EVENT | COMMENTS |
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| PRE-PRELIMINARY | Freeskating Duration: 1:30 | All Competition rules, where applicable, are those for the 2007 – 2008 qualifying competitions. Note is made here of age restrictions and test requirements. For all levels, “well balanced program requirements” will be per rules (existing and amended) per 2007 Governing Council Report of Action and ISU Communications . . Tests must be passed August 1, 2007 where necessary. <u>Freeskating:</u> Must have passed the Pre-Preliminary Freeskating but no higher. Age: 10 years or younger as of 09/01/2007. Allowable content: Rule 3711 |
| PRELIMINARY | Freeskating Duration: 1:30 | <u>Freeskating:</u> Must have passed the Preliminary Freeskating Test but no higher. Age: 11 years of age or younger as of 09/01/2007. Allowable content: In accordance with Rule 3701 with the following exception: NO Double Lutz or Double Axel. |
| PRE-JUVENILE | Freeskating Duration: 2:00 | <u>Freeskating:</u> Must have passed the Pre-Juvenile Freeskating Test but no higher. Age: 11 years of age or younger as of 09/01/2007. Allowable content: Per Rule 3691 with the following exception. Exception: No Double Axel |
| JUVENILE | Freeskating Duration: 2:15. | <u>Freeskating:</u> Must have passed the Pre-Juvenile Freeskating Test but no higher than Juvenile. Age for Freeskating: 12 or younger as of 09/01/2007 <u>Pairs:</u> Preliminary Pair Test but no higher than Juvenile Pair Test . * |

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| | | <p>Age for Pair/Dance: Must be 15 years of age or younger as of 09/01/07. Allowable content: Singles per Rule 3681, Pairs per Rule 4081</p> |
| OPEN-JUVENILE | <p>Freeskating Duration: 2:15.</p> | <p>Freeskating: Must have passed the Juvenile Freeskating Test but no higher. Allowable content: In accordance with Rule 3681</p> <p>Age 13yrs through 15yrs. as of 09/01/2007</p> |
| INTERMEDIATE | <p>Short Program Duration: 2:00 (max.) Singles Freeskating Duration: 2:30</p> <p>Pair Freeskating Duration: 3:00</p> | <p>Freeskating & Pairs: Must have passed Juvenile Freeskating or Pair Test but no higher than Intermediate. * Age for Freeskating, Pairs & Dance: 17 years of age or younger as of 09/01/2007. Allowable Content: Singles-Rule 3671,2; Pairs-Rule 4071</p> |
| NOVICE | <p>Short Program Duration: 2:30 (max.) Ladies & Men; 2:50 (max) Pairs Freeskating Duration:3:00 - Ladies; 3:30 – Men & Pairs</p> | <p>Freeskating & Pairs: Must have passed Intermediate Freeskating or Pair Test but no higher than Novice Freeskating or Pair Test. * Allowable Content: Per current Rulebook and 2007 Governing Council Report of Action</p> |
| JUNIOR | <p>Short Program Duration:2:50 (max.) Freeskating Duration:3:30 - Ladies; 4:00 – Men & Pairs</p> | <p>Freeskating , Pairs: Must have passed the Novice Freeskating or Pair Test but no higher than Junior.* No age restrictions. Allowable Content: Per current Rulebook, 2007 Governing Council Report of Action & ISU Communications</p> |
| SENIOR | <p>Short Program Duration: 2:50(max.) Freeskating Duration: 4:00-Ladies; 4:30 – Men & Pairs</p> | <p>Freeskating & Pairs: Must have passed the Junior Freeskating or Pair Test. * Allowable Content: Per current Rulebook, 2007 Governing Council Report of Action & ISU Communications</p> |
| ADULT BRONZE | <p>Freeskating Duration not to exceed 1:40 (no minimum)</p> | <p>Must have passed the Adult Pre-Bronze and no higher than Adult Bronze Freeskating test, the USFSA Preliminary Freeskating test, or the ISI Freestyle 4 test or, prior to 10/1/1977, the 2nd figure test. No axels or double jumps allowed. Age: 21 years of age or older as of 09/01/2007 Allowable Content: Per Rule 3801 & 11/28/06 addendum</p> |
| ADULT SILVER | <p>Freeskating Duration not to exceed 2:10 (no minimum)</p> | <p>Must have passed the Adult Bronze Freeskating test and no higher than the Adult Silver Freeskating test, the USFSA Juvenile Freeskating test, or the ISI Freeskating 5 test or, prior to 10/1/1977, the 2nd figure test. No double jumps allowed. Age: 21 years of age or older as of 09/01/2007 Allowable Content: Per Rule 3791 & 11/28/06 addendum</p> |
| ADULT GOLD | <p>Freeskating Duration not to exceed 2:40 (no minimum)</p> | <p>Must have passed the Adult Silver Freeskating test and no higher than the USFSA Juvenile Freeskating test, or the ISI Freeskating 6 test or, prior to 10/1/1977, the 2nd figure test. Age: 21 years of age or older as of 09/01/2007 Allowable Content: Per Rule 3781</p> |
| ADULT MASTERS | <p>Freeskating Duration not to exceed 3:40 (no minimum)</p> | <p>Must have passed at least the USFSA Adult Gold Freeskating test, Intermediate Freeskating test or, prior to October 1, 1977, the 3rd Figure test. Age: 21 years of age or older as of 09/01/2007 Allowable Content: Per Rule 3771 & 11/28/06 addendum</p> |

*Note: It is permissible for one or both of the partners to have passed the next higher pair test and still remain eligible to compete at the lower level, provided that neither skater has competed at the higher level in qualifying competition. Further, if the skater chooses to compete at the lower level, they must do so with a partner other than the one with whom they passed the higher test.

ISU JUDGING SYSTEM (IJS)

All Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior competitors will be required to complete a PLANNED PROGRAM ELEMENTS FORM, by the application deadline, August 1, 2007. Adjustments and changes to the submitted “planned program” may be made without any penalty. Competitors will need to enter www.usfsaonline.org to register their programs, or you can mail the forms along with your entry. On-line Planned Program Sheets are preferred. Personal Protocols will be available, to individual skaters, at the Registration desk at the end of your event. Total Points and results will be available on the All Year FSC website (www.allyearfsc.com) as soon as possible after the competition. There will be a \$10.00 “late fee” if a planned program form is not submitted by the deadline.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation from Los Angeles International Airport to the Official Hotel is available from the Hotel. Competitors will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the hotels and the Culver Ice Arena.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Housing accommodations are available at the Radisson Hotel, which is within fifteen minutes by car from the Culver Ice Arena. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel. Special room rate of \$99 single or double, per night (plus taxes; no charge for children under 18). The Official Hotel is:

Radisson Hotel (Los Angeles Westside)
6161 West Centinela Ave.
Culver City, CA 90230
310-649-1776 (M-F 8a-6p) or 800-333-3333 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

To obtain special rates, reservations must be made no later than August 15, 2007 and mention the Golden West Championships.

VIDEOTAPING AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHY

A professional video company and photographer for award photographs will be at the rink. All other videotaping and photography is restricted to hand-held battery operated equipment, without tripod. No photography or videotaping, except by the official photographer, without the express permission of the person being photographed or videotaped is allowed.

Solicitation by any photographer or agent of anyone to be the subject of still or video photography is not permitted. NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY DURING THE EVENTS IS ALLOWED.

PRACTICE ICE

Official Practice will be scheduled ONLY on Wednesday, August 29, 2007. Please complete the “OFFICIAL PRACTICE ICE REQUEST” form and mail to Beverly Price, 2756 Federal Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90064. All requests for practice ice are due by August 1, 2007. For ice prior to the start of the competition, contact the Culver Ice Arena - 310-398-5719. The arena will hold short warm-up sessions each morning. No Reservations, No Music, first come first served.

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