

# **Event Announcement**

# Adult Figure Skating Championships Oakville, Ontario – April 22-24, 2016

The 2016 Adult Figure Skating Championships to be held under the direction of Skate Canada and hosted by Skate Canada – Central Ontario will take place from Friday, April 22, 2016 to Sunday, April 24, 2016 at the Sixteen Mile Sports Complex in Oakville, Ontario

The 2016 Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships will be conducted in accordance with the regulations as set forth in the Skate Canada CPC Regulations and Skate Canada Official Rule Book. If not specifically stated otherwise in this document, the normal regulations governing skating will apply as indicated in Section 4000, 6000 and 7000 of the Skate Canada Rule Book, the Technical and Event Management Handbooks and the Policies and Procedures Manual.

Additional event details for participants will be posted on the Skate Canada <u>Info Centre</u> (<a href="https://info.skatecanada.ca/hc/en-ca">https://info.skatecanada.ca/hc/en-ca</a>) as they become available. Public information can be found on the Skate Canada website (<a href="www.skatecanada.ca">www.skatecanada.ca</a>). The final schedule will be posted in both locations following the closing date for of registration

Should you have any questions, please email 2016adult@skatecanada.ca.

Julie Healy
Events Director



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# **Event Philosophy**

The Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships are funded, planned, managed and executed by Skate Canada and assisted by a Local Organizing Committee (LOC).

Adult programming falls under the Active for Life stage of Skate Canada's Long-Term Athlete Development (LTAD) model. Adult skaters embody the Active for Life motto and embrace the sport as a healthy, active lifestyle choice. The focus for skaters at this event is on the whole experience: self-satisfaction in achieving competitive and personal goals, meeting competitors from across Canada in a competitive as well as social atmosphere and experiencing the cultural diversity of Canada through the exploration of the community hosting the Championships.

# **General Information**

## **Contact List**

The following people can be reached through this email address: 2016adult@skatecanada.ca

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# **Competition & Practice Rinks**

# **Competition Rink:**

Sixteen Mile Sports Complex 3070 Neyagawa Boulevard Oakville, ON L6M 4K6 **Budd's Chevrolet Rink** Rink Dimension: 200 x 100 feet

Seating for 1,500

http://www.oakville.ca/culturerec/sixteen-mile-sports-complex.html

#### **Practice Rink:**

Sixteen Mile Sports Complex 3070 Neyagawa Boulevard Oakville, ON L6M 4K6

Pad # 2

Rink Dimension: 200 x 85 feet

Seating for 250

http://www.oakville.ca/culturerec/sixteen-mile-sports-complex.html

# **Accommodations**

#### Holiday Inn Oakville

590 Argus Rd, Oakville, ON L6J 3J3 Phone: (905) 842-5000

Room rates: Standard room rate (single/double occupancy) starting at \$169.00 plus applicable taxes and fees. Executive room rate (single/double occupancy) starting at \$189.00 plus applicable taxes and fees. The executive room rate includes a full buffet breakfast.



When making your reservation reference Group Code: AFS

Contact hotel direct by:

In house reservations at 905.842.5000 or Toll Free 1.855.914-9607 OR

Email your request to gm@hioakville.com OR

http://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/oakville/yyzok/hoteldetail?cm\_mmc=GoogleMap s- -hi- -CAEN- -yyzok



# **Entry Information**

### **Entry Fees**

Event	Cost
First Singles Event (Free Skate, Interpretive, Solo Dance)	\$160.00
Each additional Singles Event (Free Skate, Interpretive, Solo Dance)	\$85.00
First Pair or Couples Ice Dance Event	\$180.00 (\$90 per skater)
Each Additional Pair or Ice Dance Event	\$100.00 (\$50 per skater)
Synchronized Skating Team	\$135.00
Synchronized Skating Fee Per Skater	\$30.00

## **Event Registration**

Registration will be conducted online, including waivers, skater/team profile updates, and planned programs as well as payment of entry fee(s).

Online registration will open on Monday, January 28, 2016 and entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis up until March 8, 2016.

Planned Program Sheets must be submitted online no later than one week prior to the event start date, Friday, April 15, 2016. Planned Program Sheets will NOT be accepted on-site.

Please visit the Skate Canada Info Centre for the detailed registration directions and the process for payment of entry fees.

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# Withdrawals/Refunds

Refunds for medical withdrawals will be processed after the event with proper notification and a copy of a medical certificate. This documentation must be sent to the national office no later than one week following the event start date. All refund requests will be subject to a \$25 administrative fee. Refunds will not be given for withdrawals for non-medical reasons.

If a skater withdraws from an event after the start of that competition (i.e. competes in at least one segment), they must withdraw from all other event categories in which they are entered. In the case of a pair, ice dance or interpretive couple withdrawing due to injury, only the uninjured skater will be permitted to skate in any other event(s) that they are registered in.

# On-site Registration & Accreditation Pick up

All skaters, teams, officials, coaches and team managers must register on-site at the **Sixteen Mile Sports Complex**.

Registration will be held on April 22-24, 2016. Registration hours will be provided once the closing date for registration has passed and the skating schedule has been completed.



#### Coaches

In order to be accredited at the 2016 Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships, coaches must:

- Be NCCP Primary STARSkate certified minimum
- Be current professional coaching members of Skate Canada
- ♦ Hold a valid First Aid Certificate
- Register in person and show their Skate Canada Professional Coach Membership card.

For Adult events, one coach per entry will be accredited.

For Adult Synchronized Skating events, two coaches, one team manager and two chaperones for a total of five people per team will be accredited. The names for these accreditations MUST be included on the competition registration form online (See registration instructions for step-by-step details).

## **Team Managers (Synchro Teams)**

All team managers must be current registered members of Skate Canada per the Accreditation Policy.

If a team manager is a coach, then he/she must meet the NCCP coach accreditation requirements for the event.



# Music

# **Standard Music Specifications – 2015-16**

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights societies. Competitors who have music composed specifically for their programs either wholly or in part, are responsible for obtaining a written release from the composer for the use of such music on radio and/or television or appropriate clearance from the performing rights societies.

#### Pattern Dance Music to be used:

The 2001 Skate Canada Series 8 music OR

- A piece from the Skate Canada approved list of contemporary music selections
- ♦ Skaters' own choice of music, + /- 2 bmp of the official pattern dance beats per minute. Please note that the beats per minute must remain consistent throughout the dance.

Note: If a dance competitor chooses to use a contemporary piece of music or their own choice of music they must supply the music to the competition as indicated below. Skate Canada Series 8 music will be played during ice dance warm-up periods.

### **Music Requirements**

Each entry must provide two CDs for the competition upon registration, one for competition - marked "Master" and one for back up - marked "Copy".

# Standard Specifications for CDs

- 1. Only one program shall be recorded on each CD.
- 2. The start of the music shall be recorded on the CD with less than 2 seconds of lead in.
- 3. Competitor's/team's name followed by music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on the CD.
- **4.** Each CD shall be enclosed in a plastic case marked with the skater's/team's name, event and total music time.

# **Post-Event Segment or Event**

Synchronized skating draws following the first segment will be conducted in the draw area. The draw area location will be indicated with the venue map.

Music and skater detail sheets can be picked up from the registration desk, approximately 45 minutes after the completion of each event. Any music not picked up will not be returned.

# **Practice Ice**

Entries will have regularly scheduled official practice times throughout the competition schedule. All synchronized skating teams will receive 10 minutes of official practice ice prior to each competition event segment. All singles, pair and dance entries will receive a 30 minute practice prior to their competition event.

There will be no program music played during practices with the exception of pattern dance practices (Skate Canada series 8 only) and synchronized skating practices.



Upon registration or attendance at an officially scheduled practice session, skaters are not permitted to skate on any ice surface other than the official practice or competition ice that is scheduled for the event.

# **Synchronized Skating Off-Ice Warm-Up**

Synchronized skating team warm-up times (location still to be determined) will be scheduled, and developed as part of the synchronized skating dressing room schedule and will be posted on Skate Canada Info Centre.

# **Victory Ceremonies**

All Victory Ceremonies will take place off-ice (location to be determined). The ceremony schedule will be available at registration.

Prizes shall be presented to the top three places in each event. In the case of only two entries, each entry shall be awarded a prize. In the case of only one entry in an event, an exhibition skate shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded.

# **Synchronized Skating Events**

Medals will be presented to the skaters of the first, second and third-place teams. In the case of only two entries, each entry shall be awarded a prize. In the case of only one entry in an event, an exhibition skate shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded.

Medals will be presented or available to the skaters, including alternates, who are registered and included on the Team's Official Registration Form for the 2016 Adult Figure Skating Championships. Coaches and team managers do not receive medals.

# **Accidents/Liability**

Skate Canada and the volunteer team undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in these Championships, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competitions and to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, Skate Canada, the volunteer team and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.



# General Regulations

#### **ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE (From Skate Canada Rule 5401)**

Entrants in events in the 2016 Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships shall be:

- 1. Be eligible persons as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book Section 2100.
- 2. Be Associate members in good standing of the Association.
- 3. CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP: Be Canadian citizens within the meaning of the Citizenship Act, RSC 1985. If the individual is not a Canadian citizen, such individual must have permanent resident status and have resided in Canada for at least one year prior to the date of the Championships they wish to enter. Also, if the entrant is of legal age, the entrant must file a declaration to indicate that he/she intends in good faith to become a Canadian citizen. If the entrant is an alien minor, he and the living parents (or guardians if both parents are deceased) must have also filed a sworn statement with the Chief Executive Officer of Skate Canada that said minor intends to become a citizen as soon as legally possible.

In the case of a pair or an ice dance couple, at least one partner must be a Canadian citizen. The other partner may be a citizen or resident of a country of any other ISU Member and need not reside in Canada.

#### QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

AGE PRE-REQUISITES: Competitors wishing to enter the Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships shall meet the age requirements (if applicable) to compete as of January 15 preceding the competition. Synchronized Skating competitors must meet the age requirements to compete as of July 1 preceding the competition. Skaters entering the 2016 Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships must be 18 years of age or older (excluding Adult SYS Class I, II and III; entries must be 19 years of age or older).

Should an event have only one entry, the skater will be given the option to skate at the next level or skate an exhibition. In the case of a dance category with only one entry, there will be no option to skate at the next level.

Entries may be limited due to the availability of ice and registration will be accepted on a first come basis.



AGE CATEGORIES: The following age categories may apply to <u>Free Skating</u> and <u>Interpretive singles events</u> if there are a sufficient number of entries:

Young Adult 18 – 24 years
Class I 25 – 35 years
Class II 36 – 45 years
Class III 46 – 55 years
Class IV 56 years & over

Note: Skaters may participate in either a STARSkate category at the 2016 Section/Provincial STARSkate Championships or the 2016 Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships, but not both.

All age categories will be divided or combined depending on the number of registrations and at the discretion of the Technical Representative and/or the Competition Committee. Single events for men and women may not be combined. The organizing committee reserves the right to alter age categories (excluding synchronized skating categories) should it be deemed necessary for the betterment of the event.

Proof of age may be requested on-site. Please be prepared to present a copy of birth certificate, passport, driver's license or similar proof of age at the registration desk upon request.

#### **EVENTS TO BE HELD**

#### (1) SINGLES FREE SKATING

Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Adult Pre-Event Technical Package posted in the Info Center for Well Balance Program Requirements for each event.

#### (a) ADULT INTRO OPEN FREE SKATING

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** A maximum program time of 1:40 minutes

#### (b) ADULT BRONZE FREE SKATING

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** A maximum program time of 2:40 minutes. Program time may be shorter.

#### (c) ADULT SILVER FREE SKATING

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** A maximum program time of 3:10 minutes. Program time may be shorter.



#### (d) ADULT GOLD FREE SKATING

(ii) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** A maximum program time of 3:40 minutes. Program time may be shorter.

#### (e) ADULT MASTERS FREE SKATING

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** A maximum program time of 4:10 minutes. Program time may be shorter.

#### (f) ADULT MASTERS ELITE FREE SKATING

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** A maximum program time of 4:10 minutes. Program time may be shorter.

#### (2) INTERPRETIVE

#### (a) INTRODUCTORY ADULT INTERPRETIVE

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** One Interpretive program maximum of 2:00 in length.

#### (b) BRONZE ADULT INTERPRETIVE

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** One Interpretive program 2:00 to a maximum of 3:00 in length.

#### (c) SILVER ADULT INTERPRETIVE

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** One Interpretive program 2:00 to a maximum of 3:00 in length.

#### (d) GOLD ADULT INTERPRETIVE

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** One Interpretive program 2:00 to a maximum of 3:00 in length.

#### (e) ELITE ADULT INTERPRETIVE

**SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** One Interpretive program 2:00 to a maximum of 3:00 in length.

#### (f) OPEN ADULT COUPLES INTERPRETIVE

(i) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** One Interpretive program 2:00 to a maximum of 3:00 in length.

#### (g) OPEN ADULT MASTERS COUPLES INTERPRETIVE

(i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Interpretive program 2:00 to a maximum of 3:00 minutes in length



#### (3) DANCE - COUPLES

**Composition of Partners:** Dance events may be comprised of two women or two men (one performing the partners steps), or one woman and one man. Similar and mixed couples may compete against each other.

**Note:** Number of sequences - Pattern dances will perform the number of dance sequences that are noted in the Skate Canada Technical Handbook for Evaluated Tests.

- (a) JUNIOR BRONZE ADULT DANCE
  - (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - Fiesta Tango and Ten Fox
- (b) SENIOR BRONZE ADULT DANCE
  - (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - <u>European Waltz and Keats Foxtrot</u>
- (c) JUNIOR SILVER ADULT DANCE
  - (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - Rocker Foxtrot and Blues
- (d) SENIOR SILVER ADULT DANCE
  - (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - Blues and Quickstep
- (e) GOLD ADULT DANCE
  - (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - VienneseWaltz and Cha Cha Congelado
- (f) ELITE ADULT DANCE
  - (I) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - Viennese Waltz and Cha Cha Congelado
- (g) ADULT SILVER FREE DANCE
  - (i) **TEST:** No test pre-requisites
  - (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
    - One free dance of maximum 2:40 minutes. Vocal music is permitted.
       Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Adult Pre-Event Technical
       Package posted in the Skate Canada Info Centre for detailed
       requirements.
    - This category may be further divided based on the number and level of entries received.



#### (h) ADULT GOLD FREE DANCE

- (i) **TEST:** No test pre-requisites
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
  - One free dance of maximum 3:10 minutes. Vocal music is permitted.
     Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Adult Pre-Event Technical
     Package posted in the Skate Canada Info Centre for detailed
     requirements.
  - This category may be further divided based on the number and level of entries received.

#### (4) SOLO DANCE

#### (a) BRONZE ADULT SOLO

- (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
  - Skaters will complete two pattern dances. Results will be the average score of the two dances (i.e., 0.5\*(dance 1 score) + 0.5\*(dance 2 score)).
  - Two dances will be skated as follows:
    - European Waltz
    - Keats Foxtrot

#### (b) SILVER ADULT SOLO:

- (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
  - Skaters will complete two pattern dances. Results will be the average score of the two dances (i.e., 0.5\*(dance 1 score) + 0.5\*(dance 2 score)).
  - Two dances will be skated as follows:
    - Rocker Foxtrot
    - Blues

#### (c) GOLD ADULT SOLO:

- (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
  - Skaters will complete two pattern dances. Results will be the average score of the two dances (i.e., 0.5\*(dance 1 score) + 0.5\*(dance 2 score).
     Two dances will be skated as follows:
    - Viennese Waltz
    - Quickstep

#### (d) ELITE ADULT SOLO:

- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:
  - Skaters will complete two pattern dances. Results will be the average score of the two dances (i.e., 0.5\*(dance 1 score) + 0.5\*(dance 2 score).
     Two dances will be skated as follows:
    - Viennese Waltz
    - Quickstep



#### (e) OPEN ADULT SOLO SHORT DANCE:

#### (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:

- Skaters will complete a short dance. Rhythm requirements will be as follows: Waltz, plus any number of the following rhythms: Foxtrot, March, Polka
- Designated pattern dance: Starlight Waltz

#### (5) ADULT PAIR

**Composition of Partners:** Pair events must be comprised of one woman and one man.

#### (a) ADULT PAIR

#### (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:

- One Pair program of maximum 3:10 minutes. Program time may be shorter. Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Adult Pre-Event Technical Package in the Skate Canada Info Centre for detailed requirements.
- This category may be further divided based on the number and level of entries received.

#### (b) ADULT MASTERS PAIR

#### (i) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:

- One Pair program of maximum 3:10 minutes. Program time may be shorter. Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Adult Pre-Event Technical Package in the Skate Canada Info Centre for detailed requirements.
- This category may be further divided based on the number and level of entries received.

#### (6) SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

#### (a) ADULT SYS CLASS I

- (i) **NUMBER OF SKATERS:** Adult SYS Class I teams consist of eight to twenty skaters.
- (ii) **AGE:** Skaters must have reached the age of 19 as of July 1st preceding the competition.
- (iii) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** Free skating program of a maximum 3:40 minutes. Music may contain vocals. Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Technical Requirements posted on Skate Canada Info Center for detailed requirements.



#### (b) ADULT SYS CLASS II

- (i) **NUMBER OF SKATERS:** Adult SYS Class II teams consist of eight to twenty skaters.
- (ii) **AGE:** Skaters must have reached the age of 19 as of July 1st preceding the competition. At least 75% of the skaters must have reached the age of 25 as of July 1st preceding the competition.
- (iii) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** Free skating program of a maximum 3:40 minutes. Music may contain vocals. Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Technical Requirements posted on Skate Canada Info Center for detailed requirements.

#### (c) ADULT SYS CLASS III

- (i) **NUMBER OF SKATERS:** Adult SYS Class III teams consist of eight to twenty skaters.
- (ii) **AGE:** Skaters must have reached the age of 19 as of July 1st preceding the competition. At least 50% of the skaters must have reached the age of 35 as of July 1st preceding the competition.
- (iii) **SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT:** Free skating program of a maximum 2:40 minutes. Music may contain vocals. Please refer to the 2015-2016 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Technical Requirements posted on Skate Canada Info Center for detailed requirements.

Note: There are no test pre-requisites for any of the synchronized skating categories.

#### JUDGING SYSTEM

The Cumulative Points Calculation System will be used for all events included in the Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships.



# Additional Information & Services

# **Competition Schedule**

A finalized schedule of events and practices will be posted on the Skate Canada website.

<u>Information for double entry skaters</u>: Should a schedule conflict arise between a practice time and event time, it is up to the skater, coach and team manager to decide what takes priority. The host committee may not manipulate the official start orders or start times in order to accommodate competitors who are skating in more than one event or on more than one team.

# **Ticket Information**

All team managers, skaters and their official coaches will receive accreditation for the event.

General admission event tickets for the general public will be available for purchase at the door <u>cash only</u>.

Ticket prices are outlined below.

Package	Details	Price Of Ticket
All-Event Pass* (3 days)	Adult Children – 12 & under Children – 5 & under	\$25.00 \$15.00 Free
Daily Pass*	Adult Children – 12 & under Children – 5 & under	\$10.00 \$5.00 Free

<sup>\*</sup>Price include applicable surcharges.

# **Costuming**

The clothing for all competitors must be modest, dignified and appropriate for athletic competition – not garish or theatrical in design. Accessories and props are not permitted.

# **Medical Services**

Medical services for athletes competing at the 2016 Skate Canada Adult Figure Skating Championships include emergency coverage during all practices and competitions. For information about other medical services available, athletes can contact the medical room at the arena.



# **Transportation**

#### Airport Pick-Up and Drop-Off

Airport transfers to and from the airport will only be provided for working officials and event technicians.

All skaters, coaches, team managers, etc. are responsible for their own transportation to and from the airport upon arrival and departure.

#### **Event On-Site Transportation**

On-site transportation will only be provided for working officials and event technicians.

All skaters, coaches, team managers, etc. are responsible for their own on-site transportation.

# **Social Events & Workshops**

### Workshops

On-ice and off-ice workshops are tentatively being planned for Thursday afternoon, April 21 starting at 2 p.m. Topics may include:

- On-ice Edges & Turns: Building your Skills for Quality Skating
- Organizing your Training: Quality Vs. Quantity
- Getting Out of your Bubble: "Learn" to be Creative on the Ice!
- Growing Adult Skating in Canada: An Informal Discussion & Brainstorm Session

More information and confirmation of topics will be provided once the closing date for registration has passed and the skating schedule has been completed.

#### Meet & Greet

A meet and greet is tentatively being planned for the evening prior to the commencement of the competition, Thursday, April 21. Details of the event will be provided once the closing date for registration has passed and the skating schedule has been completed.

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