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**Copper Cup – August 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Utah Figure Skating Club**  
**South Davis Recreation Center – Bountiful, UT**

**I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW**

The COPPER CUP will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

**COVID-19 INFORMATION:**

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, [CLICK HERE](#).

**SERIES INFORMATION:**

This competition has been selected by U.S. Figure Skating to be included in the National Solo Dance Series. Competitors must register to participate in the Solo Dance Series prior to the start of designated competitions in order to have their points recorded and seen in standing. Please refer to the 2023 Solo Dance Series information for current Series rules, levels, music, costume, event requirements, and selected pattern dances. All Solo Dance events are open to all skaters regardless of entry into the National Solo Dance Series.

For additional information, review the National Solo Dance Series Handbook [here](#). Questions can be directed to [events@usfigureskating.org](mailto:events@usfigureskating.org).

## **II. ELIGIBILITY**

### **TEST LEVEL:**

As of December 1, 2022, singles athletes may opt to accelerate their test progression within U.S. Figure Skating and thus compete at level(s) best suited for their technical skillset. Athletes must still meet the minimum requirements for each level and additionally, if participating within the National Qualifying Series (NQS) or National Excel Series (Excel), they will establish a **competitive floor** (i.e., the lowest level they can compete at).

The **competitive floor** is determined only by the level selected through the EMS Series Application for NQS or Excel and is not uniquely tied to competition registration (regardless of series participation).

*Example, if an athlete passed their junior free skate test in November and competed in the 2022-23 NQS as a Novice from July - September, they may register for either novice or junior in excel or well-balanced events. The novice level will remain their competitive floor until they complete an EMS Series Application at the junior level or higher for NQS or Excel.*

*Example #2, if an athlete passed their juvenile free skate but has not competed in NQS or Excel (i.e., they have not established a competitive floor), they have the option to compete pre-preliminary – intermediate (if skate up is permitted). While the options are wide, U.S. Figure Skating entrusts the coach to guide the athlete to select the appropriate level for the athlete based on their technical skillset.*

Eligibility Notes:

1. The singles free skate test levels will remain as a minimum requirement to compete.
2. Athletes may not skate down in any event.
3. This update does NOT apply to Adult, Showcase and Solo Dance.

If an athlete, coach, parent and/or guardian needs assistance with confirming their eligibility, email [events@usfigureskating.org](mailto:events@usfigureskating.org) or refer to information sheet [HERE](#).

### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

[Program requirements for the events listed below can be found here: usfigureskating.org – Skate – Compete – Program Requirements](#)

NOTE: Skaters may not enter an Excel and Well-Balanced free skate events at the same competition.

<b>SINGLES</b>	<b>IJS/6.0</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
Excel Beginner – Preliminary	6.0	\$140	\$80
Excel Preliminary Plus – Senior	IJS	\$145	\$85
Adult Free Skate (Adult Silver – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$145	\$85
Adult Beginner – Adult Bronze Free Skate	6.0	\$140	\$85
Juvenile Singles Free Skate	IJS	\$185	\$130
Intermediate – Senior Singles Combined: Short Program & Free Skate	IJS	\$230	\$130
<b>SHOWCASE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>

Emotional Performance High Beginner - Masters	6.0	\$130	\$85
Lyrical Pop High Beginner - Masters	6.0	\$130	\$85
Character Performance High Beginner - Masters	6.0	\$130	\$85
Comedic Impressions High Beginner - Masters	6.0	\$130	\$85
Emotional Performance Basic 1-6, PreFreeSkate - FreeSkate 6, Beginner & Adult 1-6	6.0	\$90	\$60
Duet/Trio High Beginner - Masters	6.0	\$130	\$85
Duet/Trio Basic 1-6, PreFreeSkate - FreeSkate 6, Beginner & Adult 1-6	6.0	\$90	\$60
<b>SOLO DANCE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
Solo Pattern Dance (not participating in series)	IJS	\$180	\$130
Solo Pattern Dance (participating in series)	IJS	\$180	\$130
Solo Free Dance	IJS	\$180	\$130
Solo Combined Dance	IJS	\$230	\$160
Shadow Dance	IJS	\$180	\$130
Adult Solo Pattern Dance	6.0	\$130	\$80
Adult Solo Free Dance	6.0	\$130	\$80
<b>COMPETE USA EVENTS</b>			
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$90	\$70
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$90	\$70
Excel Free Skate (Beg. – Preliminary Plus)	6.0	\$90	\$70
No Test – Preliminary Free Skate (*offer if LTS only)	6.0	\$90	\$70
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$90	\$70
Adult Free Skate (Beg. – Bronze)	6.0	\$90	\$70
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$90	\$70
<b>ADAPTIVE</b>			
Special Olympics – Free Skate Program, Pairs & Dance	6.0	\$90	\$70

### **SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE:**

For full details about SkateSafe compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe webpage: [www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe](http://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe).

### **COACHES**

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

With EMS, coaches must be included within a skater/team’s registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal via “[My Coaches](#)” or “Team Personnel.” All coaches declared at the time of registration will be included on the registration confirmation email. Note: There is no registration approval process within EMS as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating database. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

EMS Coach Resources (not SYS or TOI):

- [My Competitions](#)

- [My Skaters](#)
- [Coach Schedule](#)

EMS Coach Resources (SYS or TOI only):

- [Team Management Guide](#)

### **TEAM SERVICE PERSONNEL**

Teams are permitted a maximum of two team service personnel. Team service personnel must have a green lighted background check and completed SafeSport™ training. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions. Team service personnel is defined as those indicated as a team manager and/or team service personnel planning to attend the competition with the team.

All team personnel and skaters who will need to receive a credential must be listed in the Team Portal for the competition (Team Personnel for coaches and team managers; Competition Roster for skaters and alternates). In order to be added in EMS, the individual must first be added in the team's profile through Member's Only.

### **MANDATORY ATHLETES**

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete SafeSport™ Training. \*

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport™ Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be SkateSafe compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email [skatesafe@usfigureskating.org](mailto:skatesafe@usfigureskating.org) for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

## **III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS (does not include SYS and TOI team registration):**

Online registrations will be accepted via [EMS](#). Payment must be made at the time of registration by credit card only. Each transaction includes a 3% transaction fee.

**Registration Deadline: 07/09/2023 at 10:00pm ET**

**Late Registration Deadline: 07/21/2023 at 10:00pm ET + \$30 Late Fee**

1. Go to [www.usfsaonline.org](http://www.usfsaonline.org)
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or if Compete USA events are offered, your Learn to Skate USA member number and password
  - a. If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).
3. Click EMS then "Competition Registration"
4. Choose "COPPER CUP 2023" from the list of nonqualifying competitions.
  - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org).

### **PARTNERED EVENTS:**

Only one partner will complete registration for the team. During the registration process, you will be asked to identify your partner and verify their test information. **The registered partner will be responsible for managing all aspects of the competition for the team including music/PPC upload, practice ice sales, etc.**

### **FOREIGN SKATERS:**

Non-U.S. skaters intending to register for this competition must set up a non-member account prior to registering for the competition ([click here for HOW TO](#)). This can be done by choosing the “Non-Member? Create Account” option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS (Synchro and TOI teams):**

All teams are required to register online via the U.S. Figure Skating Event Management System (EMS). Anyone listed as a team manager or coach for a team in their Members Only Team Profile will be able to access the registration system. Registration for the competition is not considered final until online payment has been received. Online payment via credit card is the only form of accepted payment for registration in EMS.

1. Go to <https://m.usfigureskating.org>.
2. Use your personal member number and password to login.
3. Click the **BLUE** “EMS Event Management System” button.
4. Choose “Competition Registration – Teams” from the menu.
5. Select the team you would like to register for competition.
6. Click the REGISTER NOW button next to your competition’s name.  
**NOTE:** Only the competitions for which your team(s) are eligible will appear.
7. Walk through the on-screen registration process which will include:
  - a. Team Verification: Confirm the team’s information is accurate.
  - b. Registration Overview: Review general information about the competition.
  - c. Event Selection: Confirm the event you are registering the team for is accurate.
  - d. Competition Roster Selection: Click the “**Add Skaters**” link. The screen will display all skaters listed in your Main Roster. Check the box next to each skater’s name to add them to the competition roster.
  - e. Coach Information: Click the “**Add Coaches**” link. The screen will display all coaches listed in your Team Profile. Check the box next to each coach’s name to add them. Only the coaches who will be attending this competition should be listed. This information can also be updated from your EMS Team Portal. You will only be able to add coaches who are listed in your Team Profile.
  - f. Team Service Personnel Information: Click the “**Add Team Service Personnel**” to add attending team service personnel. The screen will display team managers and team service personnel listed in your Team Profile. Check the box next to each name to add them. Only the team service personnel who will be attending this competition should be listed. This information can also be updated from your EMS Team Portal. You will only be able to add team service personnel who are listed in your Team Profile.
8. Payment via credit card will be required to complete your registration as it is the only accepted form of payment for registration in EMS. Registrations are not considered complete until an invoice confirmation via email has been received. A 3% processing fee will be assessed at check-out.

**NOTE:** Payment must be submitted individually for each team's registration. If you are planning on registering multiple teams in a short period of time, it is recommended that you contact your credit card company to prevent anti-fraud systems from being activated.

**FOREIGN SYNCHRO AND THEATRE ON ICE TEAMS:**

Additional steps are required to complete your registration. For a full guide to registering foreign teams, [CLICK HERE](#). Email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org) if you require assistance.

**TEST CREDIT:**

Skaters that meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit forms at the time of registration. Test credit packets are \$20.00, please submit form requests at least 6 hours prior to the start of your event to the Chief Accountant. Completed forms must be picked up at the registration desk before the end of the competition. **\*\*NOTE:** skaters may register for test credit via EMS.

**MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:**

All competition music and Planned Program Content must be electronically submitted via the EMS through the Music & Program Content tab. Competitors participating in IJS and Solo Dance events are required to submit PPC in EMS.

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **07/28/2023 at 8pm ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$30 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

**DEADLINE: 07/30/2023 + \$30 LATE FEE**

EMS SKATER MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)*

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rinkside whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector, an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required to be attached. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode and volume turned to maximum.

**PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD – FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY:**

All competition music and Planned Program Content must be electronically submitted via the EMS through the Music & Program Content tab. Competitors participating in IJS and Solo Dance events are required to submit PPC in EMS.

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **07/28/2023 at 8:00pm ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$30 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

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EMS PPC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)*

### **REFUND POLICY**

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, unless no competition exists, or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals except for COVID infection. To receive a refund for COVID infection, the skater MUST be able to provide proper medical documentation.

### **LIABILITY:**

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA, Utah Figure Skating Club and South Davis Recreation Center accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

## **IV. COMPETITION DETAILS**

### **FACILITIES:**

South Davis Recreation Center  
550N 200 W, Bountiful, Utah 84010  
<https://southdavisrecreation.com>

### **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:**

Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but changing will not be permitted in these spaces.

### **U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:**

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

### **OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:**

It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the Utah Figure Skating Club website frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition.

### **SCHEDULE**

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

## **PRACTICE ICE:**

All practice ice will be available for purchase online through EMS under "My Competitions" and "Copper Cup 2023". A timeline for practice ice sales periods will be available for viewing on the Main page of your skater portal by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Practice ice must be pre-purchased online and will not be available for sale in person. While remaining practice ice slots will be for sale throughout the competition, they will still need to be purchased online. For additional information regarding practice ice offerings, visit [utahfigureskatingclub.com](http://utahfigureskatingclub.com), updates will be posted as they become available.

### *General Practice Ice Information*

Practice Ice is 20 min in length. Music will NOT be played. Maximum of 2 Practice Ice sessions may be requested per skater per eligible event. For Ice Dance, one exclusive practice ice session will be offered. Props are NOT allowed on practice ice sessions. Compete USA (Basic Skills) Practice Ice is 20 min in length and is available for Free Skate and Compulsory Moves/Elements. Music will NOT be played.

### *Practice ice fees and open sales:*

- Free Skating and Dance Practice Ice Pre-purchase Price – 20 min: \$20.00
  - At Registration: \$30.00 (if space is available)
- Compete USA Pre-purchase Price – 20 min: \$20.00
  - At Registration: \$30.00 (if space available)

Once your registration is complete, you can access the Practice Ice/Schedule tab in EMS to pre-purchase your credits. Practice sessions will be organized according to level, whenever possible, and limited to 20 skaters or less. Practice Ice will be selected by the skater. Practice ice sessions are not refundable once purchased.

## **ONSITE CHECK-IN:**

Check-in will open on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and end August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Check-in will be open one to two hours before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The check-in table will be in the entry lobby of the rink. Please check-in promptly upon arrival.

## **AWARDS:**

Special Awards (HCT Award and IT Award) will be announced after the Juvenile and Intermediate events and will be presented on ice. (KW Award will be announced at the completion of the Solo Free Dances and will be presented on ice). All results will be posted online immediately following each event. A link for starting orders and event results will be sent via email after the registration deadline closes. Medals will be given for first through fourth place in each event. All Compete USA competitors who do not place will be given participation medals/ribbons. Medals and awards may be collected at the Awards Desk by the Awards Podium as soon as results and protocols become available.

- ***Holly Cook Tanner Juvenile Most Inspirational Award:***

This award is presented to the skater who, in the opinion of the judges, demonstrated competitive spirit, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm for the Juvenile Free Skate Event.

- ***Ida Tateoka Intermediate Best Performance Award:***

This award is presented to the skater who, in the opinion of the judges, gave the best performance for the Intermediate Free Skate Event. All special awards will be presented on ice.

- ***Kent Weigle Solo Free Dance Best Performance Award:***

This award is presented to the skater who, in the opinion of the judges, gave the most show stopping and engaging performance in a solo free dance. All levels, Juvenile-Senior may be considered for the award.



## **VOLUNTEER INFO:**

To volunteer to help with the Copper Cup competition, please contact volunteer chair Cindy Thompson (917) 477-9918 or competition chair Stephanie Cramer (801) 888-8782 or send an email to [cindy.thompson@utahfigureskatingclub.com](mailto:cindy.thompson@utahfigureskatingclub.com) or [stephanie.cramer@utahfigureskatingclub.com](mailto:stephanie.cramer@utahfigureskatingclub.com)

*Volunteer Compliance Reminder:* Compliant positions at all U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned events include key LOC members, ready room monitors and ALL medical event personnel. To be considered compliant, an approved volunteer serving in one of these positions must:

- Must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check
- The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional
- Must complete annual SafeSport Training
- The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification

## **PHOTO/VIDEO:**

Professional videotaping will be available for purchase during the competition. No flash photography is allowed in the rink area during competition. Flash photography is dangerous to the skaters. According to U.S. Figure Skating policy, no personal videotaping of other competitors will be allowed during the competition. Podium will be available for personal photography.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- **Official Airport:** Salt Lake City International Airport
- **Official Hotel:** Comfort Inn Woods Cross, UT 84010
  - To receive a discounted room rate, please call the hotel directly and mention you will be participating in Copper Cup 2023.
  - Address: 2437 S Wildcat Way W, Woods Cross, UT 84010
  - Website: <https://www.choicehotels.com/utah/woods-cross/comfort-inn-hotels/ut080?mc=llgoxxpx>
  - Phone Number: (801) 298-3900

**Fresh flowers and/or any other items may NOT be thrown on the ice.**

## **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Competition website: [www.utahfigureskatingclub.com](http://www.utahfigureskatingclub.com)

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair:	Stephanie Cramer	<a href="mailto:stephcramer@icloud.com">stephcramer@icloud.com</a>	801-888-8782
Chief Referee:	Mary Ann Wilcox	<a href="mailto:wilcoxmh@aol.com">wilcoxmh@aol.com</a>	801-597-5597