

**2021 U.S. International
Figure Skating Classic**

Norwood, USA

September 15-18, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENT



2021 U.S. International Figure Skating Classic

An International Senior Competition

for

Men, Ladies and Ice Dance

organized by



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A competition under the authorization of the

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION



GENERAL REGULATIONS

The 2021 U.S. International Figure Skating Classic will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2021, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2021, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the 2021 U.S. International Figure Skating Classic is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3 a) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 2030 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 2030 all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate. Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective ISU Member Federation.

If the requirements specified in the above-mentioned documents are fulfilled the event will count towards ISU World Standing Points as outlined in ISU Communication 1629 and Minimum Total Technical Score.

1. TECHNICAL DATA

PLACE

Main arena: The Skating Club of Boston

(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 26 x 60 m, air-conditioned and heated)

Practice arena: The Skating Club of Boston

(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 26 x 60 m, air-conditioned and heated)

Main and Practice Rink are in the same complex / building.

MEN

Short Program The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2021, Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 2.

Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec.

Free Skating In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2021, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value.

Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

WOMEN

Short Program The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2021, Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 2.

Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec.

Free Skating In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2021, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value.

Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

ICE DANCE

Rhythm Dance In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2021, Rule 709.

Rhythms, required elements and guidelines are those listed in ISU Communications 2371 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec

Free Dance In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2021, Rule 710. The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communication 2371 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

2. ENTRIES

4.1 General

All Entries must be made by the ISU Member concerned.

All entries for the 2021 U.S. International Figure Skating Classic, must be done through the **ISU Online Registration System (ORS)** by the deadlines indicated. Hotel and travel information should also be entered into ORS, as well as bank information. Declarations will need to be uploaded to the ORS as well.

4.2 Preliminary Entries

The preliminary entries must reach the Organizer by latest: July 30, 2021 by entering the information through ORS.

4.3 Entries by Name

4.3.1 Entries of Competitors

ISU members may enter up to 3 entries per discipline with the host country maximum 4 entries per discipline.

The Entries by names must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS):

<https://fms.sportresult.com/isu>

and will be submitted via the ORS simultaneously to the:

U.S. Figure Skating
20 1st Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80906 USA
e-mail: events@usfigureskating.org

not later than: **Friday, August 20, 2021 at 20:00 h (Mountain Time).**

4.3.2 Entries of Judges

Each participating ISU Member has the right to nominate one (1) judge who has at least the qualification "Judge for International Competitions".

In case of too many nominated judges the organizer will draw the panel of judges immediately after the closing date for the entries. The result of such draw will be communicated to all ISU Members involved in writing immediately after the conclusion of such draw.

The Entries of Judges must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) not later than: **Friday, August 20, 2021 at 20:00 h (Mountain Time).**

Each panel of Judges will consist of 5-7 Judges.

In case that at the time of the competition more Judges will be available and entered as required to compose the panels of Judges in one or more disciplines, the Organizing Member will conduct on site, a draw for the panel of judges in the discipline in question for the first segment. The Judges, not drawn for the first segment will be seated for the second segment.

The panel for the second segment (Free Skating / Free Dance) will in this case be completed by an open draw amongst the Judges serving in the first segment of the discipline in question.

4.1.4 Entries of Team Members

Official entries of Team Leaders, Assistant Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff and Coaches and the partner or relative of a Judge will be accepted. Accreditation will be provided to those who are officially accepted by the Organizer.

Please be advised that only one Coach per Skater will be accredited. An Assistant Team Leader will be accepted for Teams having six (6) and more Skaters. Only two Team Officials of each Member, including the Member President provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation, will be accredited. Not more than one (1) Team Doctor and one (1) Team Physiotherapist will be accepted as the Team Medical Staff, for which the organizer requests the right to have a medical certification (document) presented before accreditation. An accompanying person to a Judge will only be accepted for accreditation if this person is a partner in life or a relative of the Judge. The Member Federations guarantee that the requested accreditation of Team Members will correspond to their function within the team and the Federation.

The names of all team members must be submitted via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) and must reach the Organizing Committee and the ISU Secretariat not later than: **Friday, August 20, 2021 at 20:00 h (Mountain Time)**.

4.1.5 Entry Fee

With the entry to the competition, the entry fee must be paid as follows:

\$250 USD per single skater
\$350 USD per ice dance couple:

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason.

To pay entry fees by credit card, please use this link:
<https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/dm9wsmtxn2/index.html>

To pay entry fees by wire transfer:

Beneficiary name: US Figure Skating
Beneficiary Address: 20 First St., Colorado Springs, CO 80906
Bank Institution: Wells Fargo
Bank Address: 90 S Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, Co 80903
ABA# 121000248
Swift Code (foreign wires) wfbius6s
Account # 5321126244

Failure to pay entry fees in full by Friday, August 20, 2021 may result in removal from the competition.

3. APPOINTED EVENT OFFICIAL

This competition will follow the requirements of the General Announcement for the Challenger Series in Figure Skating 2019/20 as well as ISU Communication 2227 and principles of Rule 420, paragraph 5.a) of the ISU Special Regulations Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2018 for appointing the event officials.

The members of each individual Technical Panel (Technical Controller and the Technical Specialists) will not be from the same ISU Member. At least two (2) Technical Panel members will have the qualification "ISU", however one of the three members may have the qualification "International".

The Referee will have at least the qualification "International" and could be of the same ISU Member as one member of the Technical Panel (Technical Controller and Technical Specialists).

The Data Operator and the Replay Operator will have at least the qualification "International".

4. MEALS, LODGING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists, the Data and Replay Operators and Judges participating, beginning with dinner on Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021 until breakfast on Monday, Sept. 20, 2021.

Should any of the above-mentioned persons arrive at the hotel before or stay longer than the period described above, their room costs and expenses will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid on arrival.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for travel expenses for all Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists, the Data and Replay Operators.

In accordance with ISU Communication 2227, all Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialist, the Data and Replay Operators and Judges officiating will, at the expense of the organizing ISU Member, receive pocket money of CHF 200.00 or the equivalent in the local currency.

5. PRACTICE

Official practice for Competitors begins on Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

6. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD in any other approved format, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 2. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating Program for Single and Pairs, for the Short and Free Dance Program for Ice Dance and for the Exhibition must be listed for each Competitor on the official Music Selection Form and attached to the official Entry Form for Competitors.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 2, all covers/discs must show the Competition event, Competitor's name, the Nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program, free skating, short dance, free dance) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition, competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive for each program.

If music information is not complete and/or the music is not provided, accreditation will not be given.

With the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet be filled in precisely by each Skater/team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

7. ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS / TEAMS

The nearest airport to Norwood is Boston International Airport (BOS) with a distance of approx. 25 km to the official hotel.

The OC will not be providing any ground transportation to or from the airport. All delegations are responsible for managing their own travel and associated costs.

All Referees, the Technical Panel (Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data & Replay Operators) Judges, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff and Coaches are requested to announce to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but no later than **Friday, August 20, 2021** the name of the airlines, flight numbers, dates and times of arrival or any other information concerning transportation and arrivals. **The detailed travel information must be submitted via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS).**

8. OFFICIAL HOTEL(S)

Courtyard Boston Dedham Westwood

64 University Avenue

Westwood, MA USA

Website: <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/bosyw-courtyard-boston-dedham-westwood>

Rate: \$119 USD/room/night plus taxes. **This rate does not include breakfast.**

Hotel capacities can only be booked via the Organizing Committee. Booking requests have to be sent to the organizer by latest **Friday, August 20, 2021**. The organizer cannot guarantee the availability of rooms, for bookings which are received after that date. All payments shall be made upon arrival at the hotel. The number of three-bed rooms is limited.

9. ACCREDITATION

The official accreditation for Teams is planned at the official hotel and or arena as listed above upon arrival.

Accreditation as a Team Member will be given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team Leader per participating team, one Coach per Competitor, a maximum of two Team Officials of ISU Members (including the Member President), provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation and a maximum of two medical persons. Accreditation will only be granted to persons in those various functions if officially entered and named through their ISU Member. **The ISU Member certifies with the signed entry form the indicated functions within the team of all team members. Any misuse of any function will be sanctioned by the ISU/OC.**

Accreditation will be given to appointed Event Officials and Guests.

Chaperones will not receive accreditation. The Team Leader may request "bus permits" for the official registered Chaperons to join the official shuttle bus system of the Organizing Committee.

10. RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in ISU Technical Rule Single & Pair Skating 2018, Rule 352 and Rule 353 (Determination and publication of results) will be used.

11. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS AND PRIZES

The three best placed Skaters/Couples in each event will be announced and honored. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists. The national anthem of the winner will be played and the flags of the medal winners hoisted.

12. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole obligation of each Member participating in ISU Events, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The ISU assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

13. EXHIBITION

No Exhibition is planned

14. MEETINGS FOR ISU EVENT OFFICIALS AND JUDGES

All Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operators and Judges are responsible to make their travel arrangements in order to be able to attend the respective event related meetings. If any other party makes the flight arrangements, the Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operators and the Judges are responsible to check if such arrangements are in line with the detailed schedule as mentioned under paragraph 18.

15. INFORMATION AND VARIOUS

For information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

U.S. Figure Skating
20 1st Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80906 USA
Attn: Bob Dunlop, Sr. Director, Events
E-mail: events@usfigureskating.org

16. EVENT SCHEDULE (subject to change)

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021	All day	Arrival of teams
Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021	All day	Official practice
	TBA	Team Leaders Meeting
	TBA	Individual Technical Panel Meetings per Discipline
	18:00	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting
	19:00	Judges Draw and Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021	All Day	Official Practice (Ice Dance and Ladies)
	TBA	MEN – Short Program
Friday, Sept. 17, 2021	TBA	ICE DANCE – Rhythm Dance
	TBA	LADIES – Short Program
	TBA	MEN – Free Skate
		Victory Ceremonies LADIES
Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021	TBA	ICE DANCE – Free Dance
	TBA	LADIES – Free Skate
	TBA	Technical Panel Reviews (Ice Dance & Ladies)
	TBA	ICE DANCE – Roundtable Discussion
	TBA	LADIES – Roundtable Discussion
		Victory Ceremonies MEN and ICE DANCE

Please note:

This schedule is subject to changes and will be updated in accordance with the final number of entries.

FORMS AND DEADLINES

Number	Form	Format	Deadline
N/A	Preliminary Entry Form	ORS	July 30, 2021
N/A	Composition of Delegation	ORS	August 20, 2021
N/A	Entry Form for Competitors	ORS	August 20, 2021
N/A	Entry Form for Judges	ORS	August 20, 2021
N/A	Hotel reservation request	ORS	August 20, 2021
N/A	Team Travel Form	ORS	August 20, 2021
Letter	Visa request form	Upon request from OC	Request ASAP
N/A	Press Information	Available in ISU Extranet	Valid for season 21/22
N/A	Competition Music Information	Available in ISU Extranet	Valid for season 21/22
N/A	Ice Dance Music Information	Available in ISU Extranet	Valid for season 21/22
N/A	Program Content Form	Available in ISU Extranet	Valid for season 21/22