

Chicago Open Competition

AUGUST 1, 2 & 3, 2008

Sponsored by the Chicago Figure Skating Club Sanctioned by United States Figure Skating

Host

Glenview Ice Center Phone: 847-724-2800
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2008 Competition Location

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Rules & Eligibility

The 2008 Chicago Open Competition will be conducted according to the 2007-2008 competitive season and is open to all eligible registered members. Club, facility and USFS liability shall be governed by USFS Rule 1021. Competition level is based on the highest test passed as of June 9th, 2008. Any skater who chooses may skate up one level. Two entries in a division will constitute a competition. Skaters will be grouped in events based on their testing status as of Monday, June 9th, 2008.

Entries must be postmarked on or before Monday, June 9, 2008 and must include the entry fee. Late entries will be notified if accepted and charged a \$25 late fee. No refunds, including medical or religious, will be made after the closing date of June 9 unless there is a cancellation of a competition event. (USFS Rule 3235) There will be a \$20 service charge for any returned checks which must be paid in cash, along with the entry fee, prior to the start of the competition. Any change in a skater's level or event after the entry deadline is subject to a \$20 change fee.

Entry Fees

Individual Entry, 1st Event	\$85
Each Additional Event (per skater)	\$30

Make Checks Payable To

"Chicago Open" and mail to the Glenview Ice Center (address at left). If you wish to have a copy of the competition schedule mailed directly to your home, include a legal-sized (#10), self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE). Entries must be postmarked by June 9, 2008 and must include the entry fee. Metered mail is not accepted as proof of postmark. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Referee and will be subject to a \$25 late fee.

For More Information call 847-724-2800

(Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm)

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Practice Ice

Practice Ice will be available before and after the competition each day. Fees are \$10 per skater, per 1/2 hour with advance registration, \$12 for walk-ons (if space is available). Skaters should mail the enclosed Practice Ice Registration Form with their competition entry form. Skaters who purchase practice ice will be assigned to specific sessions based on their competition time(s). Confirmation of assigned practice ice times will be sent to those skaters who enclose a SASE with their forms. Refunds will not be issued for missed practice ice. Music will NOT be played on practice ice sessions.

Music

All competitors must provide their music on cassette or compact disc. Cassettes and CD's should be of good quality with only one piece of music per cassette or disc. Tapes and CD's should be clearly marked with the competitor's name & phone number, event, length, coach and home club or rink. Cassettes should be rewound to the beginning of the program. Cassettes and CD's must be turned in at the time of registration. A duplicate tape or disc should be readily available

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during the competition. Cassettes and CD's should be picked up at the registration desk after the event is over. The Chicago Figure Skating Club, the Glenview Ice Center and the Skokie Skatium cannot accept responsibility for cassettes or CD's. Music left behind will not be mailed back to the skater. **Please note only CD's will be accepted at the 2009 Chicago Open.**

Registration Check-In

Skaters may check-in on Friday, August 1 starting 1 hour prior to the first event at the registration desk located in the Skatium lobby. The registration desk will be open approximately 1 hour before the first event each day and will remain open until the completion of the final event of the day. Skaters should be at the rink at least 1 hour prior to their scheduled event. Always check with the registration desk for announcements of any changes to the competition schedule.

Awards

Trophies will be given in all events for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places and ribbons will be given for 4th and 5th places. All awards will be distributed following the posting of the results for each event.

Photography / Video

No flash photography is permitted of the skaters on the ice. No tripods may be used and rink power sources may NOT be accessed. Only hand-held video cameras are permitted. Videos and photographs of your competitor **may** be available for purchase in the Skatium lobby during the competition or on-line in the weeks that follow.

Competition Event General Rules

All entry forms must be signed by a Club Officer. Skaters from foreign countries who are members in good standing of their respective federations are

eligible to compete. Entrants may "Skate up" a level but may not skate more than one level in any one event. At least one member of the pair must be at the test level and the other skater may be one level below, but neither may be above the test level. Pair teams must send their entries together. Age specific divisions will be divided by age as of June 9th, 2008. Pre-Preliminary through Pre-Juvenile will be grouped by age. Juvenile through Senior will be randomly drawn per USFS Rule 3322. Male competitors may be grouped with females in Artistic, Spin, Compulsories and Adult events. If an event is canceled due to low entries, entrants may compete in the next lower event with the consent of all competitors in that level or may compete in the next higher event with no consent needed. The Chicago Figure Skating Club reserves the right to cancel any event.

Hotels

The official hotel of the 2008 Chicago Open is the all new **DoubleTree Hotel & Conference Center-Chicago North Shore** (9599 Skokie Blvd. 847-679-7000), located less than a mile from the Skatium. There's a special rate of **\$95.00** per night for those who mention "Chicago Open" when making their reservation (includes breakfast for 4 but availability is limited).

Other hotels located within 4 miles of the Skokie Skatium include:

Comfort Inn	9333 Skokie Blvd.	847-679-4200
Hampton Inn	5201 Old Orchard Rd.	847-583-1111
Holiday Inn	5300 Touhy Ave.	847-679-8900

Events

Final rounds will be held for all free skating events which are pre-preliminary and higher. The number of skaters moving on to the final round will be posted at the competition. Short programs are not combined with free skating for final rounds. Final rounds are free skating only.

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Free Skating

LIMITED BEGINNER 1 1/2 min. or less program
no tests passed, all forward skating elements, no spins, no backward skating

BEGINNER I 1-1 1/2 min. program
no tests passed, spins in upright positions, jumps with not more than 1/2 rotation + salchows & toe loops

BEGINNER II 1-1 1/2 min. program
no tests passed, spins in one position (no combinations), single revolution jumps (no jumps in combination or sequence, axels or double jumps) (3721)

PRE-PRELIMINARY I 1 1/2 min. program
pre-preliminary free skating tests, no axels or double jumps

PRE-PRELIMINARY II 1 1/2 min. program
pre-preliminary free skating tests, no double jumps (axels permitted) (3711)

PRELIMINARY 1 1/2 min. program
preliminary free skating test, grouped by age (3701)

PRE-JUVENILE 2 min. program
pre-juvenile free skating test, must be under 13 years of age as of 6/9/08 (3691)

OPEN PRE-JUVENILE 2 min. program
pre-juvenile free skating test, must be at least 13 years of age as of 6/9/08 (3691)

JUVENILE 2 min. 15 sec. program
juvenile free skating test, must be under 13 years of age as of 6/9/08 (3681)

OPEN JUVENILE 2 min. 15 sec. program
juvenile free skating test, must be at least 13 years of age by 6/9/08 (3681)

INTERMEDIATE 2 1/2 min. program
intermediate free skating test (3672)

Free Skating cont.

NOVICE LADIES 3 min. program
NOVICE MEN 3 1/2 min. program
novice free skating test (3663)

JUNIOR LADIES 3 1/2 min. program
JUNIOR MEN 4 min. program
junior free skating test (3653)

SENIOR LADIES 4 min. program (3643)
SENIOR MEN 4 1/2 min. program (3643)
senior free skating test

Short Program Singles

INTERMEDIATE
required elements as provided (3671, 3672)

NOVICE
required elements as provided (3661, 3662)

JUNIOR
required elements as provided (3651 Men group A 2008-2009), (3652 Ladies group A 2008-2009)

SENIOR
required elements as provided
(3641 Men, 3642 Ladies)

Compulsories

Eligibility by test level is the same as for Free Skating events. Combinations may not include any turn or change of foot between jumps. No repeated or added elements allowed. Some events may take place on the Studio Rink. **Deductions will be taken for any added elements other than connecting steps.**

Compulsory moves are skated without music. The specified moves may be done in any order, but must be skated exactly as described.

An Axel is a single jump.

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Compulsories cont.

LIMITED BEGINNER

all forward skating, half ice, 1 min. or less

1. Forward Crossovers (4 in each direction)
2. Forward Spiral or Lunge
3. Forward Outside Edge Rolls (2 right, 2 left, done consecutively)
4. T-Stop

BEGINNER

half ice, 1 min. or less

1. Waltz Jump
2. Salchow
3. One Foot Upright Spin (min. 3 revolutions)
4. Forward Spiral

PRE-PRELIMINARY

half ice, 1:15 min.

1. Lutz Jump
2. Flip-Toe Loop Combination
3. Sit Spin
4. Forward Scratch Spin
5. Forward Spiral

PRELIMINARY

half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Axel Jump
2. Flip Jump
3. Lutz-Loop Combination
4. Forward Camel Spin
5. One Foot Upright Back Spin
6. Forward Spiral

PRE-JUVENILE / OPEN PRE-JUVENILE

half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Axel
2. Lutz-Loop Combination
3. Forward Camel Spin
4. Forward Camel Spin to Forward Sit Spin
5. Straight Line Footwork

Compulsories cont.

JUVENILE / OPEN JUVENILE

full ice, 1:45 min. or less

1. Axel
2. Double Salchow or Double Toe Loop
3. Combination of any 1 Double and 1 Single Jump (Axel permitted)
4. Forward Sit Spin to Backward Sit Spin
5. Circular Spiral Sequence

ADULT BRONZE

half ice, 1:00 min. or less

1. Sit Spin
2. Flip
3. Lutz-Loop
4. Loop Jump

ADULT SILVER

half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Camel Spin
2. Lutz Jump
3. Axel
4. Combination of 2 Single Jumps

ADULT GOLD

full ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Double Salchow
2. Camel-Sit Spin
3. Straight Line Footwork
4. Combination Jump consisting of 1 Double and 1 Single Jump (Axel permitted)

Spins

Spins shall be skated in a SIMPLE PROGRAM with no extra spins or jumps or repeated elements, though connecting footwork may be incorporated.

All spin events **may** take place in the Studio Rink. Deductions will be taken for any added elements other than connecting steps.

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Spins, cont.

PRE-PRELIMINARY half ice, 1 min. or less

1. Forward One Foot Upright Spin
2. Forward Camel Spin
3. Backward One Foot Upright Spin

PRELIMINARY half ice, 1 min. or less

1. Backward Scratch Spin
2. Forward Camel Spin
3. Forward Sit Spin

PRE-JUVENILE & OPEN PRE-JUVENILE

half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Front Scratch to Back Scratch
2. Forward Sit Spin
3. Forward Camel Spin to Back Sit Spin

JUVENILE & OPEN JUVENILE

half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Layback (ladies) or Forward Camel (men)
2. Forward Sit Spin to Back Sit Spin
3. Forward Camel Spin to Back Camel Spin

INTERMEDIATE half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Forward Camel Spin to Back Camel Spin
2. Combination Spin with at least One Change of Foot and One Change of Position
3. Layback (ladies) or Forward Sit (men)

NOVICE half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Flying Camel Spin
2. Spin Combination Consisting of at least One Change of Foot and at least One Change of Position
3. Layback (ladies) or Forward Camel (men)

JUNIOR half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Flying Sit Spin - Changing Foot on Landing is Permitted
2. Spin Combination Consisting of One Change of Foot and at least Two Changes of Position
3. Layback or Crossfoot Spin

Spins, cont.

SENIOR half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Flying Spin of Skater's Choice
2. Combination Spin Consisting of One Change of Foot and at least Two Changes of Position
3. Choice of Solo Spin

ADULT BRONZE half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. One Foot Upright Spin
2. One Foot Back Spin
3. Sit Spin

ADULT SILVER half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Forward Sit Spin
2. Forward Camel Spin
3. Camel to Sit Spin with no change of foot (min. 3 revolutions each position)

ADULT GOLD half ice, 1:30 min. or less

1. Layback Spin
2. Flying Camel Spin
3. One Combination Spin with one change of foot and one change of position.

Pairs Freeskating

BEGINNER 1:30 min. program
no USFS test passed, no lifts

PRELIMINARY 1:30 min. program
preliminary test passed (4101)

PRE-JUVENILE 2:00 min. program
pre-junior test passed (4091)

JUVENILE 2:30 min. program
junior pair test passed (4081)

INTERMEDIATE 3 min. program
intermediate pair test passed (4071)

NOVICE 3:30 min. program
novice pair test passed (4062)

JUNIOR 4 min. program
junior pair test passed (4052)

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Pairs Freeskating cont.

SENIOR 4:30 min. program
senior pair test passed (4042)

Adult Free Skating Events

Adult events are open to competitors who are 21 years or older as of June 9, 2008, as provided in rules 3730 & 3292. Adult levels may be combined in the case of limited entries.

ADULT BRONZE must not exceed 1:40 min.
pre-bronze free skating test passed, may have passed bronze free skating test, no axels or double jumps permitted. (3801)

ADULT SILVER must not exceed 2:10 min.
bronze free skating test passed, may have passed silver free skating test (not gold), no double jumps permitted, spins in any direction. (3791)

ADULT GOLD must not exceed
2:40 min.
silver free skating test passed, may have passed gold free skating test. (3781)

ADULT MASTERS must not exceed 3:40 min.
standard intermediate free skating test passed.

Artistic Events

Artistic events will be offered for Beginner 1 through Senior & Adult events. Judges will mark with emphasis on artistic expression, originality, creativity and musical interpretation. Technical difficulty will be of minimal importance, except to the extent that elements help develop the skater's interpretation of the music. Props and music vocals are permitted. USFS costume rules shall not apply, however, costumes elements must not litter the ice or create unsafe conditions for skaters. Double & triple jumps are prohibited. Eligibility is the same as Free skating.

Artistic Events, cont.

Beginner 1 & 2, Pre-Preliminary & Preliminary,
Pre-Juvenile & Juvenile, Adult Bronze-Master =
1:30 min.

Intermediate, Novice, Junior & Senior = 2 min.

2008 Chicago Open Officials

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