



October 2 – October 6, 2019

**Seattle Skating Club
Olympicview Ice Arena
Mountlake Terrace, WA**



*Chief Referee: Victoria Aversano
Chief Accountant: George Rossano*

*IJS Mini System will be used for:
No Test through Pre-Juvenile Well Balanced Singles, including Open Juvenile and
No Test through Senior Pairs*

*Secure Online Registration and credit card payment will be available via EMS at
usfsaonline.org*

Entry Deadline: 8:59 PM, PST September 1, 2019



OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
2020 NWP Regional Nonqualifying Competition
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Registration is ONLINE ONLY

2020 NWP Regional Nonqualifying Competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which 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, and is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

COMPETITION WEBSITE: www.nwpreregionals.com

The official competition website will contain all pertinent and up-to-date information regarding the event. All information on the competition website supersedes any previous information, including information outlined in this announcement.

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

Test level: Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event.

Age restrictions/requirements: Singles free skate events have the following requirements.

Open Juvenile: Ladies – 13 years or older; Men – 14 years or older

Skaters entering Non-Test through Pre-Juvenile events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group. Events may be combined boys/girls at the discretion of the Chief Referee (in accordance with US Figure Skating rules).

ENTRIES: Online entry with secure credit card payment is available via usfsaonline.org **Registration is ONLINE ONLY and must be completed by 8:59 PM PST on September 1, 2019.** Practice and Competition schedules will be available on the website approximately two weeks before the competition. It is essential that a current email address is available to the LOC as announcements for competitors will be emailed via the EMS system when possible.

FEES: The following table indicates the fee structure for the 2020 NWP Regional Nonqualifying Competition.

Event Type	First Event
▪ Couples Dance – Open & Pre-Juvenile Free Dance (6.0 Judging)	\$85 (Per Team)
▪ No-Test through Pre-Juvenile, Open Juvenile ▪ No-Test through Intermediate Pairs	\$110
▪ Novice through Senior Pairs	\$150

Late entries will NOT be accepted under any circumstances.

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Go to <https://www.usfsaonline.org>
 - a. For best experience, the Google Chrome browser is recommended
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or Learn to Skate Member number and password
 - a. If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at memberservices@usfigureskating.org.
3. Click the blue EMS button
4. Click “Competition Registration”
5. Choose “2020 NWP Regional Nonqualifying Competition” from the list of competitions under Nonqualifying.
 - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

EMS SKATER PORTAL:

Once online registration has been completed, skaters will gain access to the EMS Skater Portal for this competition. This is where you will manage music and PPC upload as well as purchase practice ice, view the competition schedule (once available) and update coach information. To access your skater portal, click the **BLUE** Event Management System button on the [Members Only](#) landing page then select the competition name from options at the bottom of the screen.

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will not be refunded after the entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$30 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

FACILITIES: 2020 NWP Nonqualifying Regional Competition is hosted by the Seattle Skating Club and will be held at the Olympicview Arena, 22202 70th Ave. West, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043. The ice surface is indoors, measures 100' X 200', with slightly rounded corners. More information on the rink can be found at www.olympicviewarena.com. The competition facility features locker room space (minimally 3), a café, and a pro shop.

Unofficial Practice Ice may be held at the Lynnwood Ice Center, 19803 68th Avenue W, Lynnwood, WA 98036. The Lynnwood Ice Center ice surface is indoors, measures 85' X 200', with slightly rounded corners. More information on the rink can be found at www.lynnwoodicecenter.com. The competition facility features locker room space (minimally 3), a café.

MUSIC UPLOAD:

DEADLINE: September 24, 2019, 8:59 PM PST

After Music upload deadline Music will be accepted at discretion of Chief Music Coordination with \$30 late fee.

All competition music must be electronically submitted online through the Music & Program Content tab no later than **September 24, 2019, 8:59 PM PST**. All music must meet the following criteria. If you have questions about what format you have, please contact your coach and get a new version of your music that meets the criteria listed below.

[CLICK HERE FOR MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO IN EMS](#)

If you need assistance uploading music in EMS, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

MUSIC CRITERIA:

- File Format: MP3 (only format EMS will accept)
- Bit Rate: 192 kbps or higher and Sample Rate: 44,100 kHz
 - This will be verified by the music chair and they may request you upload a corrected file



- Leaders and trailers (the silence or "dead space" before and after the actual start and end of the program music) may not exceed two (2) seconds. We prefer that there be NO leaders or trailers at all. Excessive leaders and trailers may disrupt the playing of the music during competition.

Competitors must also bring a copy of their competition music on CD as a backup in case of technical difficulties and must be available rink side during the competition. Only CDs (standard CD-R format only) will be accepted for backups and must be clearly marked with the competitor's name, event, and running time.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Seattle Skating Club, and Olympicview Arena, Lynnwood Ice Center or Washington Ice Skating Association accepts 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.

JUDGING SYSTEM: The International Judging System (IJS) under Rule 1070 will be used for the following events:

- Well Balanced Program Singles Free Skate (Frees Skate only) Non-Test through Pre-Juvenile/Open Juvenile

All competitors skating in IJS events need to submit the planned program content online Skater Portal no later than **September 24, 2019 8:59 PM PST. A \$30 fee will be charged for late PPCs.**

[CLICK HERE FOR PPC SUBMISSION HOW TO IN EMS](#)

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

REGISTRATION: The registration desk will open on October 2, one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The registration desk will be located in the rink lobby. Please register promptly upon arrival.

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained on site. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. The schedule of events will be posted at registration prior to the competition.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS: There will be no locker room or changing areas available at this competition. All athletes are required to arrive at the facility dressed for their competition.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice Ice shall be scheduled through EMS for all events. **Each competitor may request one \$35.00/30min practice session per event entered.** Skaters will be able to pick their own practice ice sessions online, but you MUST indicate number of sessions you want online when you register and MUST pay for them when you register online. Purchasing information, directions, and offerings will be available on the competition website: www.nwpreregionals.com Every effort will be made to schedule Practice ice sessions as close to the competition as possible, however this is not guaranteed.

NOTE: Depending on the size of the competition, practice ice selection might be limited to one- or two-time choices and may be scheduled at Lynnwood Ice Center.

Practice Ice that is not pre-ordered will be sold on a first come-first serve basis, but we cannot guarantee additional practice sessions. If space permits, we will allow additional practice ice sales online for \$40.00/30 minutes per session after the schedule has been posted and those that pre-registered for sessions have had time to select their sessions. If space permits, additional practice ice will be available for purchase during the competition for \$40.00/30 minutes at the registration desk with cash or check only.

No Changes - No Refunds. Practice ice fees are nonrefundable, and you may not assign your practice ice to another skater.

Practice Ice Schedules will not be given over the phone but will be available online via EMS when available.



CREDENTIALS

All credentials must be picked up at the event registration desk. Skaters will not be able to receive their credential until music and planned program content have been received. Only coaches who are listed in the EMS Skater Profile and are fully compliant within U.S. Figure Skating and SafeSport guidelines will receive a credential. Coaches must show photo ID at the registration desk and must pick up their own credential. Credentials must be worn at all times at the competition facility and are non-transferable.

Cost to replace lost Credentials will be \$40

EVENT PROGRAM & PRE-ORDERS

Information regarding photo submission for the event program as well as pre-order opportunities will be available on the competition website.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY: A professional video company and photographer will be at the rink. *Please note that videotaping of the competition, including practice ice, in any form is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating Policy. ALL award winners are encouraged to pose for the group picture. No photography from rink side. **Photography of any skater other than your own is strictly prohibited.** Please be courteous to those viewing the event. Solicitation by any photographer or agent of anyone to be the subject of still or video photography is not permitted. For safety reasons, **no flash photography is allowed during the event.**

AWARDS: Awards will be presented at the photographer's table immediately after the official posting of each event for individual events. Awards will be given for first through sixth place for all events. Award Photographs will be taken and we ask that all award winners pose for the group picture even if you do not plan on purchasing a picture.

TEST CREDIT: Skaters that meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit forms at registration. Forms must be picked up at the registration desk prior to the end of the competition. Forms must be requested 24 hours before your event start time.

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:

To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, coaches must be included within a skater's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal. All coach compliance is verified via EMS and is connected to the U.S. Figure Skating database.

- A. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating - either through a member club or as an individual member;
- B. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee of \$30 and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen.
- C. Must Complete Safe Sport Training.
- D. Must complete the appropriate CER courses (A, B, C or D) depending on the highest level of students being coached as of July 1. See rule MR 5.12.
- E. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

*SafeSport training is available through <http://www.usfsaonline.org> for full members of U.S. Figure Skating (through Learn to Skate USA portal for instructors). There is no cost to this training and certification is valid for 2 seasons

The LOC will have a list of compliant coaches via EMS verified through the U.S. Figure Skating database who are approved to receive a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential. There can be no exceptions to this policy. We strongly urge *all* coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at



rink side during events including practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without proper registration is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit:
<http://usfsa.org/content/Coaches%20Requirements%20Chart.pdf>

OFFICIALS: Competition officials will be selected in accordance with Rule 3030, except that officials for basic skills events will be selected in accordance with Rule 3120.

REFEREE: The decision of the Referee on all matters will be final. The Referee, along with the LOC, shall have the right to exclude any person(s) whose behavior is unruly or unsportsmanlike. Additionally, the Referee reserves the right to combine or split events to best accommodate the number of entries and schedule of events.

ADMISSION

Entrance to the competition is by credential or ticket only and these are not transferrable. Credentials and tickets for Pacific Northwest Regional Singles Challenge may also be used for admission to events at the 2020 Northwest Pacific Regional Nonqualifying Competition being held simultaneously.

TICKET PRICE

All Event Tickets	
Adults & Children 8 and over	\$35.00
Children (7 and under)	Free when accompanied by a ticketed adult
One Day Tickets	
Adults & Children 8 and over	\$15.00
Children (7 and under)	Free when accompanied by a ticketed adult

CONTACT INFO: For further information regarding this announcement, please contact the following:

Sanju Chettiar & Erin Kendrick Competition Co Chairs Email: 2020nwpregonalchair@gmail.com	Nika Pelc Registrar Email: sammyflower@hotmail.com
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Accommodations

Official Hotel

Embassy Suites Seattle/North Lynnwood

Reservations deadline is September 17, 2019

20610 44th Ave West, Lynnwood, 98036

Phone: (425) 775-2500

Rates: King - \$144, Double - \$154

Booking link: [Book your Embassy Suites for 2020 NWP Regional Nonqualifying Competition](#)

Other area Hotels offering special rates:

Courtyard by Marriott Seattle North/Lynnwood Everett

Reservations deadline is May 8, 2018

4220 Alderwood Mall Blvd., Lynnwood, WA 98036

Phone: 425-670-0500

Rates: \$117

Booking Link: [Booking Link: Book your Courtyard by Marriott for 2020 NWP Regional NonQualifying Competition](#)



EVENTS OFFERED

SINGLES WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE

- No-test through Pre-Juvenile Singles, Open Juvenile events are separate and considered final rounds.

PAIRS WELL BALANCED FREE SKATE & SHORT PROGRAM

- No-Test through Intermediate pairs events are separate and considered final rounds. Novice – Senior Well-Balanced events will consist of both short and long programs.
- No-Test (FS Only)
- Pre-Juvenile (FS Only)
- Juvenile (FS Only)
- Intermediate Free Skate (FS Only)

Offered as Combined SP & FS Events:

- Novice – Short Program & Free Skate
- Junior – Short Program & Free Skate
- Senior – Short Program & Free Skate

COUPLES DANCE COMBINED EVENT

- Open - Free Dance
- Pre-Juvenile – Free Dance

SINGLES EVENTS

No-test through Pre-Juvenile Singles, Open Juvenile events are separate and considered final rounds.

Singles Free Skate Events

Please follow the links to the charts.

- A. Well Balanced Program Free Skate for *No-Test through Pre-Juvenile*. See the Well Balanced Program Free Skate requirements [here](#).

PAIRS EVENTS

No Test through Intermediate pairs events are separate and considered final rounds. Novice through Senior events will consist of both short and long programs. Combined results will be considered final – there will be no final rounds even if numbers warrant more than group per event.

Pairs Free Skate Events

All charts have been updated with changes from the U.S. Figure Skating Governing Council and ISU Congress that go into effect July 1, 2019. Please follow the links to the charts.

Pairs events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.

- A. No Test – Senior. See 2019-20 Pairs Free Skate Requirements [here](#).

Pairs Short Program Events

Pairs events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc. See 2019-20 Pairs Short Program Requirements [here](#).



- A. Novice short program – Rule 5220
- B. Junior short program – Rule 5210
- C. Senior short program – Rule 5200

Pairs events will be conducted in accordance with Rule 7060 / Composition of Pairs Events. This states that senior, junior and novice pair events will consist of a short program and a free skate. If a qualifying round is necessary, only the free skate will be skated in the qualifying round. Intermediate and juvenile events will consist of a free skate only.

COUPLES DANCE

Couples Ice Dance events will consist of a final round. All requirements correspond to the 2019-2020 Season. All technical requirements for Ice Dance, available here:

<http://www.usfsa.org/story?id=84110>

