2023 COMPETE USA South Florida Basic Skills Series



Events to take place at:

Palm Beach SkateZone Date: *March 5, 2023 8125 Lake Worth Rd.

Lake Worth, FL 33467 Phone: 561-963-5900

Competition Director: Audra Leech Email: <u>audra@pbskatezone.com</u> Application Deadline: Feb 5, 2023 Music Upload Deadline: Feb 23, 2023

Kendall Ice Arena Date: *April 23, 2023 10355 Hammocks Blvd. Miami, FL 33196

Phone: 305-386-8288

Competition Director: Kent Johnson Email: info@kendallicearena.com
Application Deadline: March 23, 2023
Music Upload Deadline: April 14, 2023

Pines Ice Arena Date: *June 4, 2023

12425 Taft Street Pembroke Pines, FL 33028

Phone: 954-704-8700

Competition Director: Kristin Alberico Email: figuredirectorkristin@pinesice.com
Application Deadline: May 4, 2023
Music Upload Deadline: May 26, 2023

*PLEASE NOTE: IN THE EVENT OF A LARGE NUMBER OF ENTRANTS, SOME EVENTS MAY TAKE PLACE ON THE SATURDAY BEFORE EACH COMPETITION *IF REQUIRED*. COMPETITION SCHEDULES WILL BE POSTED ON BASICSKILLSFLORIDA.COM ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.

Competition Website: basicskillsflorida.com

Competition Entries: entryeeze.com

MISSON STATEMENT: To give Florida skaters a chance to develop their Learn to Skate USA Skills in a fun competitive environment. During the competition season, skaters will have the chance to compete at three different arenas and earn points for a final standing.

*Trophies will be awarded to all skaters who compete in <u>all</u> three of the scheduled competitions.

*See "Series" Point System Rules.

COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The **Compete USA South Florida Basic Skills Competition Series** is sponsored equally by and will be held at Palm Beach SkateZone, Kendall Ice Arena and Pines Ice Arena. Competition announcements will be available on the official competition website (basicskillsflorida.com), entryeeze.com and at all three arenas before and during the run of the "Series." Competition information and results will be posted at each rink and on the official competition website: www.basicskillsflorida.com.

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current members of either Learn to Skate USA and/or those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be a current registered member of Learn to Skate USA or a full member of U.S. Figure Skating. There will be no more than six competitors maximum in an event, and all six will receive an award.

ELIGIBILITY AND TEST REQUIREMENTS:

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic 1-6 skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher, and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including moves in the field or individual dances. For the Pre-Free Skate, Free Skate 1-6, Excel, Well-Balanced, and Adult levels, eligibility will be based only upon highest badge level or free skate test level passed. Moves in the field test level will not determine a skater's competitive level. Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher but not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the local organizing committee (LOC) discovers that a skater has been placed in a category below his/ her badge or test level, the chair and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper level, even if it is the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors. It is an ethical violation for coaches to sandbag an event.

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR INSTRUCTORS/COACHES

Important notice for all coaches

Coaches will need to check in at each Series competition registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. The Local organizing committee (LOC) will have a list of coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. For coaches who are NOT on the list, the LOC will ask to see the following:

- Learn to Skate USA Instructor membership OR U.S. Figure Skating full membership
- SafeSport training completed (for coaches/instructors 18 years old and older)
- Background check successfully passed (for coaches/instructors 18 years old and over)
- Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed OR U.S. Figure Skating compliant coach (for coaches under 18 years old)

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the compliant coaches list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential - no exceptions. We strongly urge all coaches to have their cards with them.

The status of coaches/instructors can be determined by checking the lists on the U.S. Figure Skating website. This report can be found on www.usfigureskating.org and go to "Coaches" and click on the "Information for Clubs" or "Basic Skills Instructor Registration" pages.

If a coach/ instructor attempts to work at an event without the proper credentials, he or she is in violation of U.S. Figure Skating ethics and code of conduct rules and, as such, is subject to disciplinary action.

USFS RULE 3120 Basic Skills Competitions – Officials All officials and adult volunteers attending Compete USA events must also be SafeSport Trained™

3121 For Compete USA competitions, three judges not related to the competitors are required for each event. Judges may be any official U.S. Figure Skating or Skate Canada judge or any other qualified eligible or ineligible person in skating who is a U.S. Figure Skating member and/or a Learn to Skate USA member.

3122 For Compete USA competitions, the member club or other organization sponsoring and conducting the competition shall approve all judges and officials. All persons serving as judges and officials shall be at least 16 years of age.

ENTRIES AND FEES – Entry to each Series competition is made by signing up on the internet through Entryeeze. For a link to register, please go to www.entryeeze.com. Please see the competition announcement cover sheet for competition entry deadlines. All entries must be registered with Entryeeze no later than one month before the competition date of each arena. The entry fee is \$100.00 and <u>includes</u> an Elements or Compulsory event <u>and</u> a Basic Program with Music <u>or</u> a Freeskate Program with Music event. Each additional event is \$35.00. Entry fees are per person; and must be paid in U.S. dollars. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the competition director of the arena in question; and will be subject to a late fee of \$25.00. There

will be NO REFUNDS after the competition entry closing date, unless an event is cancelled by any of the 5 sponsors.

AWARDS - Medals will be awarded by the organizers of each competition to ALL competitors who complete an event. Any skater who competes in the minimum required two (2) events (Elements/Compulsory and Music Program) in all three (3) "Series" competitions will be eligible to win a final placement trophy. (Please see the attached point system chart for a complete detailed explanation of the point system). Extra points can be earned from participation in any of the additional Series events. Please note that Synchro Teams will be awarded one (1) team final placement trophy provided they compete in all three of the Series competitions.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Will be posted online at: basicskillsflorida.com; and emailed to each participating arena (for posting) no later than one week prior to the start of each competition.

PRACTICE ICE - Practice ice will be available at each arena before the start of each competition. A schedule of Practice Ice will be posted along with the competition schedule. Reservations with payment must be made through the arena hosting the competition. Each practice session must be paid in full prior to taking the ice. A maximum of 20 skaters will be allowed on the ice during any one session.

MUSIC –The official competition music must be uploaded in mp-3 format to the entryeeze.com website. A back up CD should be readily available. In the event the backup CD is used it may be picked up at the registration table following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Series Host Arena cannot be responsible for CDs left at the end of the competition. See each host arena deadline to upload music on the front cover page.

PHOTOGRAPHER/VIDEOGRAPHER – An official photographer/videographer may be available at each rink during the competitions. If so, photographs and/or video will be taken of all individual participants and award ceremonies. Videotaping and or photography is not allowed without advance permission from the LOC. Please contact the arena hosting the competition for more information.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

Locker room availability is pending due to regulations during the event. Participants will be notified about the current situation prior to the event. <u>Current situation: Locker rooms will not be offered. Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available during Series competition.</u> All athletes are expected to arrive to the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skaters on but will not be permitted to change in public restrooms.

In case locker room use is possible, the rooms and changing areas at U.S. Figure Skating competitive events are for athletes only and will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made for athletes 11 years old and younger that will allow for one are not of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event (s).

The use of any recording and photographic devices inside a locker room or changing area is strictly prohibited. Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SafeSport Handbook (both found on the U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport page, also, locker room policy. Any violation of this policy is punishable under the U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport policy and U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. All locker rooms will be monitored. If any concerns arise, immediately contact the monitor on duty. If there are any concerns regarding this policy, an athlete should change prior to arriving at the competition.

Locker rooms and changing areas at U.S. Figure Skating competitive events are for athletes only, will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made for athletes 11 years old and younger that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SafeSport Handbook (both found on the U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport page).

PB SKATEZONE -KENDALL ICE ARENA - PINES ICE ARENA -



HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS – The following Hotels are near the participating facilities and may have agreed to offer the participants attending the competition a discounted rate.

For Kendall Ice Arena

TownePlace Suites by Marriott Miami **Kendall West** 9055 SW 162nd Ave, Miami, FL 33196 (305) 383-5511

Best Western-Kendall Hotel & Suites 8560 SW 124th Avenue Miami, FL 33183 (305)-271-4848 Reservations 800-WESTERN

Holiday Inn Express 13475 SW 131 Street Miami, Fl 33186 (786) 837-2100

Best Western Plus Kendall Airport & Suites 13700 SW 139th Court Miami, FL 33186 (305) 969-1600 Group Reservations (305) 969-4500

For Pines Ice Arena

Residence Inn by Marriott 14700 Hotel Road Miramar, FL 33027 Office: 954-450-2717

Fax: 954-450-9395

Holiday Inn Express & Suites 14651 NW 20th Street Pembroke Pines, FL 33028 Tel. (954)430-9404 Fax. (954)689-4183

Courtyard by Marriott 14500 Hotel Road Miramar, FL, 33027 Office: 954-450-1801 Fax: 954-450-9130

For Palm Beach SkateZone

Hampton Inn (In rink parking lot) 8205 Lake Worth Road Lake Worth, Fl. 33467 (561) 472-5980

Hampton Inn and Suites 2155 Wellington Green Drive Wellington, Fl. 33414 (561) 472-9696

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Wellington-West Palm Beach 10616 Forest Hill Blvd, Wellington, FL 33414 (561) 408-5990

COMPETE USA EVENTS - *See Series Point System Rules

Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music

Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music

Excel Free Skate (Beg. - Preliminary Plus)

No Test - Preliminary Free Skate

Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music

Adult Free Skate (Beg. – Bronze)

Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements

Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves

Excel Compulsory Moves

Adult 1-6, Beginner – Bronze Compulsory Moves

Solo Pattern Dance – Preliminary - Pre Bronze & Adult Preliminary – Pre Bronze

IMPORTANT: EARN ADDITIONAL POINTS WITH THESE EVENTS

<u>*A//</u> events listed below are eligible for One (1) additional point <u>PROVIDED</u> that the competitors also enter/complete a music program <u>and</u> a compulsory or elements event.

<u>Compete USA – Spin Challenge</u>

Compete USA – Jump Challenge

Compete USA – Showcase

Dramatic or Light entertainment (Pre Freeskate to Preliminary Levels plus Adult)

<u>Interpretive</u>

Pre Freeskate to No Test, Pre Preliminary and Preliminary

Aspire Synchro – *Aspire Synchro events will accrue final placement points and be awarded one (1) Team Trophy provided the team competes in all three Series competitions.

*Beginner, Pre-Preliminary & Preliminary



Series Point System

The Basic Programs with Music, Pre Freeskate with Music, Freeskate Programs with Music and the Compulsory/Elements events in each of the 3 Series Competitions will be eligible for accumulating points (Be sure to read the point trophy rules below).

The system for scoring points for the final trophy will be as follows:

Each event will have a maximum of 6 skaters

1 st Place	6 points
2 nd Place	5 points
3 rd Place	4 points
4 th Place	3 points
5 th Place	2 points
6 th Place	1 point

If an event has less than 6 skaters, the points will be adjusted. i.e. For a group of 3 skaters the 1st place would receive 3 points, 2nd place would be 2 points and 3rd place would be 1 point.

ALL SKATERS WHO PARTICIPATE IN ALL <u>THREE</u> (3) OF THE SERIES COMPETITIONS WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN A TROPHY WITH AN OVERALL PLACEMENT. *PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ELEMENTS/COMPULSORY AND FREESKATE EVENTS MUST <u>BOTH</u> BE ENTERED AND COMPLETED TO COUNT IN THE FINAL POINTS TABULATION.*

ASPIRE SYNCHRO TEAMS WILL BE AWARDED <u>ONE</u> FINAL PLACEMENT "TEAM" TROPHY PROVIDED THEY HAVE COMPETED IN ALL THREE SERIES COMPETITIONS.

POINT RESULTS FOR ALL EVENTS WILL BE POSTED ON: basicskillsflorida.com

PLEASE NOTE: EACH SPIN, JUMP, INTERPRETIVE AND SHOWCASE EVENT ENTERED WILL GIVE ONE (1) ADDITIONAL POINT EACH, PROVIDED THAT THE SKATERS COMPLETE AN ELEMENTS/COMPULSORY EVENT AND BASIC PROGRAM/FREESKATE EVENT

SKATERS MOVING TO THE NEXT LEVEL DURING THE SERIES WILL TAKE THEIR POINTS WITH THEM AND EARN A ONE TIME 3-POINT BONUS.

REGISTRATION PROCESS INSTRUCTIONS

<u>All</u> competition entries must be made online through **entryeeze.com**. A <u>separate</u> online application and payment is necessary for <u>each</u> of the three competitions. 2023 COMPETE USA, South Florida Basic Skills Series Competitions will be held at:

Kendall Ice Arena □	Pines Ice Arena □	PB SkateZone □
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COMPETE		
Select <u>one</u> of the three Compete USA Series competitions listed above.	A South Florida Basic Skills Series Co	ompetitions icons for the
Skaters and parents (click here to reg	gister for a competition)	
You will see 2 boxes coming up. The use the box on the right.	first time you register for each of th	e Series competitions you will
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Follow the directions by filling out the what events you will be entering. Plea		
Troubleshooting: If you are not able to fill out the current skating level correct your coach in your Learn to Skate USA Please contact YOUR COACH if you hour able to help you, please come to	ctly. A current skating level IS the leven A Skills Book or last USFS Test passed ave questions about the registration	el of the last test signed by land registered with USFS.
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