



2021 ShopRite Nutmeg State Games  
**Competition and Basic Skills  
Announcement**

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**ShopRite Nutmeg State Games**  
**Hosted by Finer Edge FSC**  
**July 10-11, 2021**  
**Sanction: #29936**



The ShopRite Nutmeg State Games will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the 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 a 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, Learn to Skate USA or an individual member of U.S. Figure Skating in accordance with the current rulebook. Refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

***The 2021 ShopRite Nutmeg State Games Figure Skating Championship is a qualifying competition for the 2022 National State Games of America Championships (SGA). Skaters may choose to enter each event at SGA that they qualify for by virtue of placing first, second or third at the ShopRite Nutmeg State Games competition.***

#### **ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

**Eligibility:** Competitors whose primary residence **is not** in Connecticut may compete in the ShopRite Nutmeg State Games Figure Skating competition, provided that they are a member in good standing of a Connecticut based skating club or live in state that does not offer a state games program. Also, any out-of-state figure skater competing in Connecticut's ShopRite Nutmeg State Games understands and waives their right to compete in the State Games Figure Skating competition in their primary state of residence or any other State Games Figure Skating competition during the 2021 competitive season. See attached Out of State Competitor's Waiver.

**Test level:** Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline (**June 5, 2021**), 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.

**ENTRIES:** Entries will only be available online at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com). Entry deadline is **June 5, 2021**. Only fully completed applications will be accepted. Changes to entries after the deadline that were not the fault of Finer Edge FSC or ShopRite Nutmeg State Games will require a \$30.00 fee. Payment of all fees will be required before skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

The entry fee for Singles Short Program, Singles Well Balanced Program Free Skate, Excel Free Skate, Compulsory, Showcase, and Adult events is **\$100.00 for the first event and \$30.00 for each of the additional events**. All **Basic Skills** Events are **\$45.00 for the first event and \$25.00 for each additional events**. All entries will be charged a 3.0% convenience fee.

**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded after **June 5, 2021** 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 assessed a \$35.00 fee. An additional fee of \$30.00 will be charged for any changes due to incorrect entry choice of event levels after the close of entries. Payment of fees will be required before skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available online at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com).



**FACILITIES:** The competition will be held at Newington Arena, 300 Alumni Rd. Both surfaces are 200' x 85' with slightly rounded corners.

**MUSIC:** All music must be uploaded online at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com). The deadline for the music entries is June 5, 2021. This is the only acceptable method of music entries for this competition. All skaters must have a CD backup. Use of iPhone or other devices may not be compatible with music systems used.

**LIABILITY:** U.S. Figure Skating, Finer Edge FSC, ShopRite Nutmeg State Games and Newington Arena 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.

**JUDGING SYSTEM:** All events will be judged under the 6.0 Majority Judging System. There will not be final rounds for any events

**REGISTRATION:** Registration will begin **May 11, 2021** online at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com) and end on **June 5, 2021** at 11:59pm. Upon arriving to the event, a registration desk will be available for participants to check-in. **PLEASE REGISTER AT THE DESK PROMPTLY UPON ARRIVAL.**

**PRACTICE ICE:** There will be a warm up immediately prior to your event. Practice ice may be available on the day of the competition based on the final schedule and will be available on a first come first served basis. Practice ice sessions are 20 minutes and the cost is \$15.00. Registration for practice ice will be through [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com)

**SCHEDULE:** The schedule of events is determined by the total number of entries and by the number of entries in each event. A schedule of events will be available at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com) approximately two weeks prior to the event.

**PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:** Cinematic Images is the official Event Photographer & Videographer for the 2021 Nutmeg State Games Figure Skating Competition. When you register online thru Entryeeze you will be able to purchase their services when you pay for your entry fee to participate. You will need to pay for this service by the registration deadline to receive the rates listed below. Please note: if you are participating in multiple events, you will receive photos for all the events you are registered in for the prices listed below:

- Photo Only: \$65.00
- Video Only: \$65.00
- Photo & Video: \$100.00

\*\*\* Purchases of photo or video at the event will be \$65 for photos and \$65.00 for video. There will be no discount for the package of both.

**About Cinematic Images:**

Located in Berlin, Connecticut, Cinematic Images has been providing Event Photography and Videography throughout the Northeast for over 30 years. In addition to Sports, Cinematic



Images also specializes in Super Creative High School Senior Portraits, Theater, Family portraits, Dance, Mitzvahs and Weddings.

Website: <https://cinematic-images.com>

**AWARDS:** Medals will be presented for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each group. Award ceremonies will be scheduled at various intervals throughout the competition and will be presented off-ice.

**COVID-19 INFORMATION:** The ShopRite Nutmeg State Games and the Newington Arena will be complying with all federal, state, and local regulations and additional public health notices in place at the time of the ShopRite Nutmeg State Games Figure Skating competition, including recommendations from US Figure Skating. Please visit the ShopRite Nutmeg State Games website often for updated information and policies.

In order to protect the health of our competitors, spectators, and volunteers, the following practices have been established. These practices may be revised prior to the competition if more restrictive guidance is in place at that time.

- Anyone who has been notified as close contact to a COVID-19 positive person, and instructed to quarantine, cannot participate in this event.
- All attendees (competitors, chaperones, parents, coaches, judges, volunteers, and staff) are required to properly wear face coverings over their nose and mouth and secured under their chin while in the facility.
  - We understand and respect that competitors during their competitive event only may opt out of wearing a mask/face covering. No competitor is to be penalized in any way for choosing or not choosing to wear a mask/face covering during their time on the ice.
- Everyone will be required to follow six foot social distancing guidelines between household groups. This separation is expected to be followed at all locations within the venue, including the stands.
- **U.S. Figure Skating Waivers are a requirement for ALL athletes. The online waivers must be completed via Members Only prior to the competition.**
- The ShopRite Nutmeg State Games and Finer Edge FSC reserve the responsibility and right to cancel the 2021 ShopRite Nutmeg State Games by July 9<sup>th</sup>, if need arises due to COVID-19. The Newington Arena, as well as all volunteers, coaches, judges, and/or competitors will be notified no later than July 9<sup>th</sup> if cancellation occurs.
  - If the event is cancelled due to compliance with COVID-19 related federal, state and local regulations, a full refund of competition fees will be issued to all participants. Processing fees will not be refunded under any circumstance.
- Skaters, families and coaches are responsible for reviewing and complying with all federal, state and local guidelines pertaining to travel in Connecticut.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL COACHES:**

To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned non-qualifying competition, coaches must meet the following requirements:

#### Coaching U.S. Figure Skating athletes:

- Current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating
- Completed background check (green light status)
- Completed SafeSport Training\*
- Continuing Education Requirements (CERs) for the 2020-21 Competition Season



- Proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

Coaching Compete USA athletes:

- Learn to Skate USA Instructor membership OR U.S. Figure Skating full membership
- Completed SafeSport Training\* (for coaches 18 years old and over)
- Completed background check (green light status) (for coaches 18 years old and over)
- Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed (for coaches under 18 years old)

\*SafeSport training is available through [www.usfsaonline.org](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 Local Organizing Committee (LOC) will have a list of compliant coaches 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.

If a foreign coach has only foreign athletes at your competition, a background check and SafeSport Training is not required. Instead, the coach must submit a letter from their Federation stating they are a member in good standing.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit:

<https://usfigureskating.org/sites/default/files/media-files/U.S.%20Figure%20Skating%20Coaches%20Requirements%20Chart.pdf>



**CONTACT INFO:** If you have questions, please contact Finer Edge FSC at [FinerEdgeNutmeg@gmail.com](mailto:FinerEdgeNutmeg@gmail.com)

**Accommodations:** To be determined and announced.

## SECTION 2: Events Offered

### LEARN TO SKATE USA EVENTS (w/music) & COMPULSORY

Program requirements available at: [https://www.usfigureskating.org/sites/default/files/media-files/2021%20Showcase%20Guidelines\\_0.pdf](https://www.usfigureskating.org/sites/default/files/media-files/2021%20Showcase%20Guidelines_0.pdf)

- Snowplow Sam
- Basic 1-6
- Pre-Free Skate
- Free Skate 1-6
- Adult 1-6

### EXCEL FREE SKATING EVENTS (w/music) & COMPULSORY

(6.0 Judging System)

Program requirements available at USFSA Members Only → Excel:

- Excel Beginner Free Skate
- Excel High Beginner Free Skate
- Excel Pre-Preliminary Free Skate
- Excel Preliminary Free Skate
- Excel Preliminary Plus Free Skate
- Excel Pre-Juvenile Free Skate
- Excel Pre-Juvenile Plus Free Skate
- Excel Juvenile Free Skate
- Excel Juvenile Plus Free Skate
- Excel Intermediate Free Skate
- Excel Intermediate Plus Free Skate
- Excel Novice Free Skate
- Excel Junior Free Skate
- Excel Senior Free Skate

### SINGLES FREE SKATING EVENTS

Well Balanced Events (6.0 Judging System) <https://www.usfigureskating.org/about/rules>

This competition will follow 2020-2021 United State Figure Skating Rules.

Program requirements are listed in the US Rulebook under the following rule numbers

- No Test Free Skate U.S Rule 6490
- Pre-Preliminary Free Skate U.S Rule 6480
- Preliminary Free Skate U.S Rule 6470
- Pre-Juvenile Free Skate U.S Rule 6460
- Juvenile Free Skate U.S Rule 6450
- Intermediate SP & FS U.S Rule 6440
- Novice SP & FS U.S Rule 6430
- Junior SP & FS U.S Rule 6420
- Senior SP & FS U.S Rule 6410



## ADULT SKATING EVENTS

Adult events are in accordance with 2020-21 U.S. Figure Skating Rules 6530-6551

- Adult 1-6 Beginner – Bronze Compulsory
- Adult 1-6 FS with music
- Adult Beginner FS
- Adult High Beginner FS
- Adult Pre-Bronze FS
- Adult Bronze FS

<https://www.learntoskateusa.com/media/1286/2019-20-compete-usa-manual-updated-9-11-19.pdf>

- Adult Silver FS U.S. Rule 6540
- Adult Gold FS U.S. Rule 6530
- Masters Intermediate – Novice FS U.S. Rule 6520
- Masters Junior – Senior FS U.S. Rule 6500

## SHOWCASE EVENTS

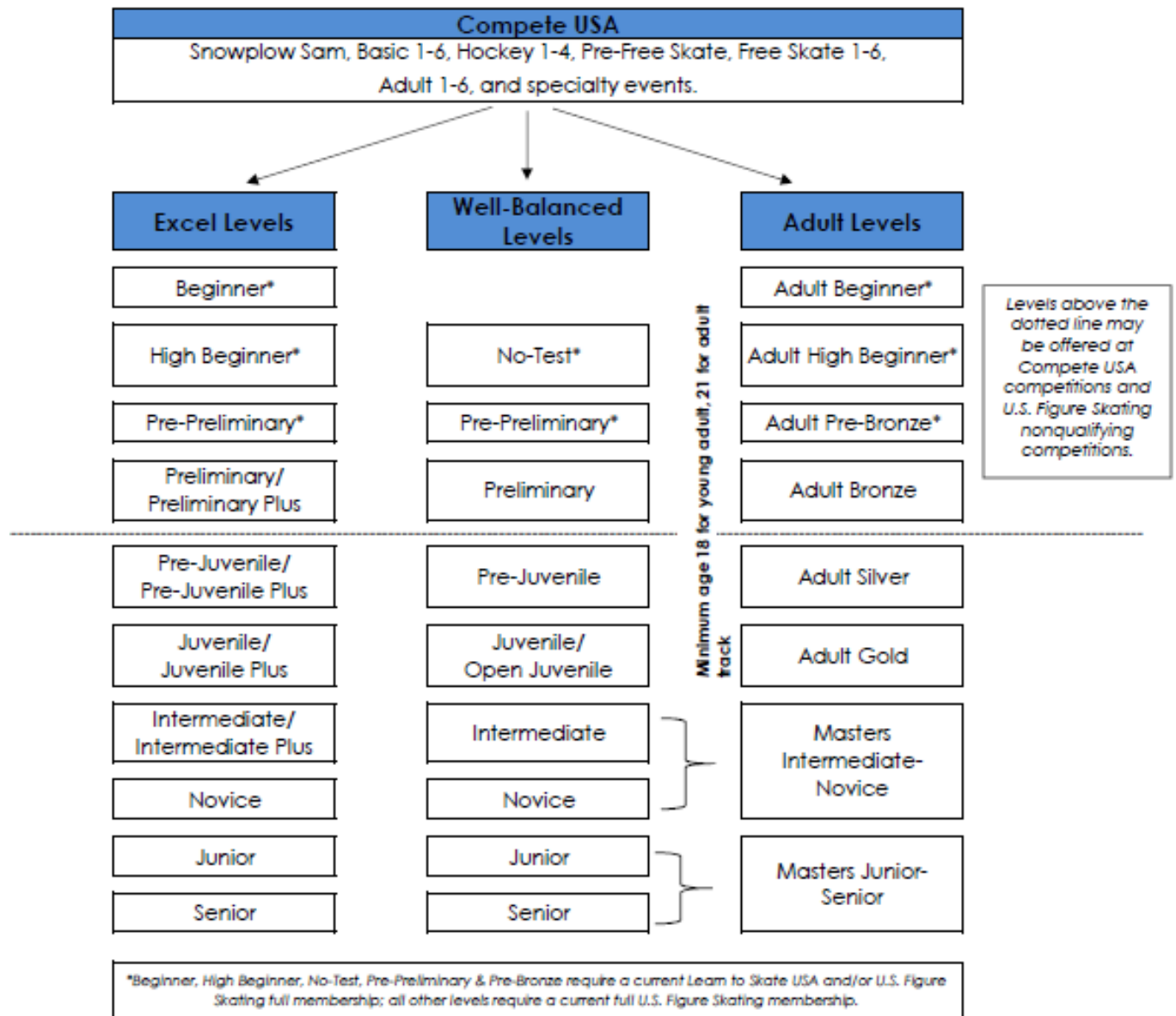
Light entertainment and Dramatic entertainment (6.0 Judging System)

Program requirements available at: [https://www.usfigureskating.org/sites/default/files/media-files/2021%20Showcase%20Guidelines\\_0.pdf](https://www.usfigureskating.org/sites/default/files/media-files/2021%20Showcase%20Guidelines_0.pdf)

- Singles Showcase Basic through Preliminary/Adult Bronze

## COMPETITIVE PROGRESSION THROUGH THE LEVELS OF U.S. FIGURE SKATING

Singles athletes begin with Compete USA competitions. Once athletes begin the official U.S. Figure Skating test structure, they can choose to enter the Excel, Well-Balanced or Adult levels as appropriate for their ability, test level, and age. Test requirements are the same for the Excel and Well-Balanced levels. It is completely the choice of the athlete which track to follow; athletes may switch between tracks as best suits their development, but may not enter the same type of event in multiple tracks. Competitive level is determined by highest free skate test passed.







## SHOPRITE NUTMEG STATE GAMES OUT OF STATE COMPETITOR'S WAIVER



Figure skating competitors whose primary residence **is not** in Connecticut may compete in the ShopRite Nutmeg State Games Figure Skating competition, provided that they are a member in good standing of a Connecticut based skating club or live in state that does not offer a state games program.

As figure skaters compete for the opportunity to advance to the State Games of America, they may compete in **only one** State Games figure skating competition. Therefore, any out-of-state figure skater competing in Connecticut's ShopRite Nutmeg State Games understands and waives their right to compete in the State Games Figure Skating competition in their primary state of residence or any other State Games Figure Skating competition during the 2021 competitive season.

I am a member in good standing of a Connecticut based skating club and am therefore eligible to skate in the ShopRite Nutmeg State Games Figure Skating Competition. Furthermore, I understand and agree that by doing so, I waive my right to compete during the 2021 competitive season in any other State Games Figure Skating competition.

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Competitor's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
USFSA Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Skating Club

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

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Date

This waiver must be signed and returned before competition. Out-of-state competitors will not be permitted to compete without signed waiver on file.

Please remit to:  
CT Sports Management Group, Inc.  
Attn: ShopRite Nutmeg State Games  
975 Middle Street, Unit G  
Middletown, CT 06457