



*Missoula Figure Skating Club
Hosting the Annual*

2023 GLACIER CHALLENGE

Competition & Test Session
March 16 - 19, 2023



Glacier Ice Rink
1101 South Ave West
Missoula, MT
Missoula County Fairgrounds

Entry Deadline: February 15, 2023 @ 11:59 pm MST

Chief Referee: Mary Ann Wilcox

Chief Accountant Marilyn Anders

Test Chair Joe Easton

<http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148>

I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

Glacier Challenge will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#), and current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that 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.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, [Compete USA events](#) Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, [CLICK HERE](#).

EVENTS OFFERED:

SINGLES	JUDGING	COST	information
Excel Free Skate (not participating in series)	IJS	\$85	Excel Pre-Preliminary - Senior
Well Balanced Short Program	IJS	\$55	Well Balanced Short Program
Well Balanced Free Skate Pre-preliminary – Senior	IJS	\$85	Well Balance Free Skate
Adult Free Skate (Adult Pre-Bronze – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$85	Adult Free Skate
SOLO DANCE	JUDGING		
Solo Pattern Dance (not participating in series)	6.0	\$45	Non-Series solo pattern dance
Adult Solo Pattern Dance	6.0	\$45	Adult Pattern Dance
Free Dance	6.0	\$45	Free Dance
SPECIALTY	JUDGING		

Compulsory Moves (No Test–Senior)	6.0	\$30	Compulsory
Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beginner – Excel Preliminary)	6.0	\$30	Excel Compulsory Beg. - Preliminary
Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$30	Adult Compulsory
Team Event (4) **See Below	6.0	\$45(4)	See team elements below
SHOWCASE	JUDGING		
Emotional Performance (No Test – Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$60	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Choreographic Artistry (No Test - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$60	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Lyrical Pop (No Test - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$60	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Character Performance (No Test - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$60	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Comedic Impressions (No Test - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$60	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Duets/Trios (No Test – Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$80	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Interpretive	CJS	\$70	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Mini Production Ensemble (3-7 skaters)	CJS	\$100	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23
Production Ensemble (7+ skaters)	CJS	\$140	Showcase Guidelines 2022-23

COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING		Competition Manual - U.S. Figure Skating
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$50	Snowplow Sam - Basic 6
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$50	Pre-Free skate - Free skate 6
Excel Free Skate (Beg. – Preliminary Plus)	6.0	\$50	Excel Beg to Preliminary plus
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$50	Adult 1-6 with Music
Adult Free Skate (Beg. – Bronze)	6.0	\$50	Adult Beginner - Bronze
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$30	Snowplow Skating Elements
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$30	Compulsory pre - Free Skate 6
Excel Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$30	Excel compulsory Beg. High Beg.
Adult 1-6, Beginner – Bronze Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$30	Compulsory Adult beginner to Bronze
Compete USA – Showcase Basic 1 - Adult Bronze Dramatic and light Entertainment only	6.0	\$50	Showcase Basic 1 - Adult Bronze

TEAM EVENT:**

No Test Single level teams must compete at the highest free skate test level of the skaters. Team event is \$45 which consists of 4 skaters, male or female and can be from different clubs. Skaters may participate on multiple teams. All teams for each level will be on the ice together. One member of each team will be required to do one of the four elements (all elements must be completed). Choose one element for each skater. Elements are judged against the other teams' elements. Adults may join or form teams at the equivalent level. Each skater will be awarded one mark for technique. The team will perform as a group and perform unifying steps before spotlighting each member performing an element. Group performance shall not exceed **2 minutes**.

Teams are as Follows:

o No Test through Senior o No Test-Juvenile: Multi level o Intermediate –Senior Multi level

No Test - High Beginner

1. One upright spin (3 Revs.)
2. Waltz jump + toe loop
3. Waltz three turns 2 sets in both directions
4. Salchow

Pre preliminary

1. Upright spin (4 Revs.)
2. Flip jump
3. Salchow + toe loop
4. Power three turns (3 each direction)

Preliminary

1. Sit Spin (4 revs.)
2. Loop jump
3. Flip + toe loop
4. Back Spin (4 revs.)

Pre Juvenile

1. Camel Spin
2. Lutz jump
3. Camel/Sit spin (3 revs. each position)
4. Flip + loop jump

Juvenile

1. Camel/Sit to back sit (3 revs each position)
2. Axel jump
3. Ena Bauer
4. Lutz + loop

No test – Juvenile: Multi level team

1. One upright spin
2. Flip + loop jump
3. Sit spin
4. Axel

Intermediate

1. Axel + toe loop
2. Layback spin (5 revs.)
3. Flying camel spin (5 revs.)
4. Double Salchow + toe loop

Novice

1. Flying camel to back sit spin (4 revs each position)
2. Double loop jump
3. Spiral sequence outside to inside no change of foot
4. Double Salchow + double toe loop

Junior

1. Flying sit spin to back sit spin (4 revs. each position)
2. Double flip jump
3. Flying camel to back sit to front sit (4 revs each position)
4. Double Loop + double toe

Senior

1. Layback spin (8 revs.)
2. Double flip + double toe
3. Illusion
4. Double Lutz

Multi-level Intermediate –Senior Team

1. Axel + toe loop
2. Layback spin (4 revs)
3. Double Flip
4. Ina Bauer

II. ELIGIBILITY

TEST LEVEL:

Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. At this competition, skating up is permitted. Note: Athletes may not skate down in any event.

Snowplow Sam through Basic 6 skaters must skate at the 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.

Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 6 eligibility will be based only upon the highest free skate test level passed (moves in the field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at the highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

Canadian individual skaters do not need to change their programs for this competition.

Canadian skaters will be allowed to skate their official programs. In events where the Canadian program may be longer with additional elements, extra elements not included in the USFS rules will not be judged.

AGE RESTRICTIONS/REQUIREMENTS:

Age requirements as of Sept. 1 prior to the regional championships:

1. Juvenile: 12 years of age or younger for girls; 13 years of age or younger for boys
2. Open Juvenile: 13 years of age or older for girls; 14 years of age or older for boys

Skaters entering beginner–pre-juvenile events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

SEPARATION INTO GROUPS: Except as prohibited by USFS rules, certain groups may be combined male/female, and/or by age, and/or by level at the discretion of the referee.

SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE U.S. Figure Skating Skate Safe Handbook:

For full details about Skate Safe compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating Skate Safe webpage: www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe.

COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a non-qualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and be verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at check-in time to access the competition, with no exceptions.

ONE coach credential will be granted per registered athlete.

TEAM COACHES

Teams are permitted a maximum of two team coaches. They must have a green lighted background check and completed SafeSport™ training. All compliance requirements must be met at check-in to access the competition, with no exceptions.

MANDATORY ATHLETES

Athletes 18 or older as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (ice dance, pairs, productions) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete [Safe Sport™](#) Training.

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport™ Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate, as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be Skate Safe compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email skatesafe@usfigureskating.org for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The registration desk will be open one hour before the first event and run through the day's last event. The registration table will be in the lobby of Glacier Ice Rink. Please register promptly upon arrival.

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cellphone, and it must be immediately available rink side whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector, an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode and volume turned to maximum.

Submit all official event music through <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148>
in MP3 FORMAT ONLY:

THE DEADLINE is MARCH 1, 2023 @ 11:59pm for Music. A Late fee is \$50.00.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD – FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY:

PLEASE USE ENTRYEEZE TO INPUT THE PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT SHEETS.

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for Short Program Events as well as Well-Balanced Programs from No Test to Senior and Adult Bronze and Gold and Masters Novice-Senior and Excel Pre Preliminary-Senior Free skate events. All competitors skating in the IJS events need to submit the Planned Program Content (PPC) form with their entry via <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148>. Competitors not submitting required PPC forms via www.entryeeze.com will be required to provide a paper copy ([Click Here](#)) prior to registering. A \$25 late fee will be charged for Planned Program content sheets submitted **after March 1, 2023**.

All other events will be judged using the 6.0 judging system. MFSC reserves the right to use the 6.0 judging system for some events if IJS qualified officials are unavailable.

REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after the close of the entries on February 05, 2023, 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 \$35.00 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available on www.entryeeze.com.

LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Missoula Figure Skating Club and Glacier Ice Rink 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.

IV. COMPETITION DETAILS

FACILITIES:

Glacier Challenge will be held at [Glacier Ice Rink](#) located at 1101 South Ave West, Missoula, Montana. Two sheets of ice will be used for this competition. The ice arena is located on the west side of the Missoula County Fairgrounds. There is bleacher seating in the arena and some concessions will be available for sale. Local food trucks will be serving at the fairgrounds during our event.



LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

LOCKER ROOMS:

Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available at this competition for all solo and pair events. All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on; changing will not be permitted in these spaces. Showcase team events see below. Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the Skate Safe Handbook found in the U.S. [Figure Skating Skate Safe](#) webpage.

SHOWCASE TEAM EVENT LOCKER ROOM:

The designated Showcase team coaches and athletes competing at the Team Showcase events are allowed in a Locker Room designated for their team only. All Locker Rooms will be monitored. If any concerns arise, immediately contact the Locker Room monitor. If there are concerns regarding this policy, an athlete should change prior to arriving at the competition. The use of any recording and photographic devices inside a Locker Room is strictly prohibited. Any violation of this policy is punishable under the U.S. Figure Skating Skate Safe policy and U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

An official bulletin board will be maintained at Glacier Ice Rink. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent, and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and additional information. Skaters are asked to arrive 60 minutes before their scheduled event time. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition. The official schedule supersedes all other schedules. Notices posted on this bulletin board are considered as sufficient notice to all competitors.

CHIEF REFEREE: The decision of the Chief Referee on all matters will be final. The Referee, along with the competition LOC shall have the right to exclude any person or competitor whose behavior is unruly or unsportsmanlike.

SCHEDULE

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

PRACTICE ICE:

Practice ice may be purchased on <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148> when registering for your events. No music will be played on any practice ice sessions.

Each twenty (20) minute practice session will cost \$20.00. The practice ice will be assigned based on availability and qualifications. Skaters can purchase additional practice by logging into <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148>. Practice ice money is non-refundable and will be assigned in the order of receipt.

MINI-PRODUCTION & PRODUCTION ENSEMBLES Practice Ice: Practice ice for mini-production and production practice ice will be added once the schedule is posted.

ON-SITE CHECK-IN:

The registration desk will be open one hour before the first event and run through the day's last event. The registration table will be in the lobby of Glacier Ice Rink. Please register promptly upon arrival.

AWARDS:

Awards will be presented to the top three placements in each group from Pre-preliminary levels through Senior. All participants in the Compete USA levels Snowplow Sam-Freestyle 6 and Compete USA Adult events will receive an award. There will be no final rounds. Awards will be presented immediately following the posting of the results for each event.

KAY SPENCER MEMORIAL JUDGES CHOICE AWARD:

The year 2015 marked the passing of our friend and much respected local judge Kay Spencer. Kay was a long-time member of the Missoula Figure Skating Club and was fundamental in the launch of the Glacier Challenge. Kay devoted countless hours of volunteer time working with our skaters, providing feedback from a judge's perspective, and showing by every action and word her commitment to the sport and encouraging all of our skaters to become their personal best.

For this award the focus is on diversity and musicality. The Kay Spencer Memorial Judges Choice awards will be presented to individuals or groups who, in the judges' opinion, reflect the best the sport has to offer in terms of their ability to captivate the audience through performance and musicality. This skater or skaters must demonstrate a diverse understanding of musical interpretation, exceptional entertainment ability, good sportsmanship, and a sense of comradery.

Kay Spencer Memorial Judges Choice for Overall Performance – Beginner through Preliminary level

2019 Winner Kiki Frick

Kay Spencer Memorial Judges Choice for Overall Performance – Pre-Juvenile through Senior level

2019 Winner Sophia Burrough

TEAM TROPHY:

A Team Trophy will be awarded to the guest club with the most points at the end of the competition, using a scoring system for each event as follows: 1st place=5 points / 2nd place=3 points / 3rd place=1 point. No points will be given for the Team Skills Event.

VOLUNTEER INFO:

We would love your help during our event and appreciate you taking time to help us. We will have a volunteer list on <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148>. Click here [for volunteer compliance information](#).

All U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned events including LOC members, locker room monitors, and ALL medical event personnel must be Safe sport compliant. To be considered compliant, an approved volunteer serving in one of these positions must: Must successfully pass a background check. The background check will be valid for two seasons. Volunteers must also complete annual SafeSport Training which is valid for one year from the date of completion. There is no cost for the training and certification.

PHOTOGRAPHY: No Professional photography will be available for this event. Personal Photos and videotaping is limited to your own skater. Flash photography is not permitted in the arena at any time.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

LODGING SPONSOR: Coming Soon. Will be listed on <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=148>

AIRPORT: [Missoula International Airport Missoula, MT](#)

Merchandise and Ad Purchases pre-orders - Forms

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair	Elizabeth Judd (Betz)	betzcj@comcast.net	435-757-1372 no calls after 9pm
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Chief Referee:	Mary Ann Wilcox	wilcoxmh@aol.com	801-5975597
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