



### North American Series – General Information

Skate Canada and U.S. Figure Skating will hold the 2018 North American Series for novice level athletes, in conjunction with Skate Milwaukee in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, July 11-15, 2018, Lake Placid Ice Dance Competition in Lake Placid, New York, July 24-27, 2018 and Sectionals Series – GTSA Summer Skate in Toronto (North York), Ontario, August 16-19, 2018.

#### OBJECTIVES OF THE NORTH AMERICAN SERIES

To provide an opportunity for athletes that competed at the Sectional, Challenge or National level, to simulate an international competition, and compete against top athletes from both the U.S. and Canada.

#### GENERAL

The North American Series will be conducted in accordance with the International Judging System and criteria will be established by Skate Canada and U.S. Figure Skating.

#### EVENTS

Skate Milwaukee	Lake Placid Ice Dance Competition	Sectionals Series – GTSA Summer Skate
Milwaukee, WI	Lake Placid, NY	Toronto, ON
July 11-15	July 24-27	August 16-19
Men, Ladies, Pairs	Ice Dance	Men, Ladies, Pairs, Ice Dance
Entries per competition: <i>(2 warm-up groups)</i>	Men = 12 max (6 CAN + 6 USA) Ladies = 12 max (6 CAN + 6 USA) Pairs = 8 max (4 CAN + 4 USA) Ice Dance = 10 max (5 CAN + 5 USA)	

#### ENTRY FEES

The skater/team's entry fee will be covered by Skate Canada and U.S. Figure Skating.

#### OTHER EXPENSES

The skater is responsible for other expenses. Sections may provide funding to their skaters participating in these competitions should they choose.

Skate Ontario is tasked to create a nomination list of athletes to submit to Skate Canada for possible selection for this series of events. All athletes must be skating at the Novice level for the 2018 – 2019 season. Please send a list of athletes that meet or exceed the criteria which is stated below [to srachuk@skateontario.org](mailto:srachuk@skateontario.org) by 4pm EST, Monday May 14, 2018.

**Criteria**

1. Indicate the skills the skater has achieved in a competition and new skills they are currently executing at a consistency rate 50% or higher.
2. Provide competition detailed sheets with submission as proof of skills from last year.
3. Provide videos with all new skills when available to forward to the selection committee. Please ensure that the video file name has the skater/team's name in the name of the file.

**North American Series - Proposed Selection Guidelines**

**MEN**

Jr Eligible Years	Skill Level in Free Program
3 or less #	5 different triples, 6 triples in the free, at least one triple + triple or double Axel + triple combo with a GOE of -1.9 or higher. With regards to spins and steps, three must receive a positive GOE.
4 to 5 #	4 different triples and 5 triples in the free with a GOE of -1.9 or higher. A strong attempt at a triple + triple or double Axel + triple combo which is at least under rotated. With regards to spins and steps, two must receive a positive GOE.
6 or more #	3 different triples and 4 triples in the free with a GOE of -1.9 or higher. A strong attempt at a triple + triple or double Axel + triple combo which is at least under rotated. With regards to spins and steps, two must receive a positive GOE.

# as of July 1, 2018- Must not have reached 19<sup>th</sup> birthday

before July 1, 2018 **LADIES**

Jr Eligible Years	Skill Level in Free Program
3 or less #	4 different triples, 5 triples in the free, at least one triple + triple or double Axel + triple combo with a GOE of -1.9 or higher. With regards to spins and steps, three must receive a positive GOE.
4 to 5 #	3 different triples and 4 triples in the free with a GOE of -1.9 or higher. A strong attempt at a triple + triple or double Axel + triple combo which is at least under rotated. With regards to spins and steps, two must receive a positive GOE.
6 or more #	2 different triples and 3 triples in the free with a GOE of -1.9 or higher. a strong attempt at a 3 <sup>rd</sup> different triple.

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### PAIRS

Jr Eligible Years	Skill Level in Short and Free Program
3 or less #	In the free program, achieve 2 of the 4 following elements with a GOE of -1.9 or higher: 1 triple twist, double Axel, 1 triple jump, 1 throw triple jump. During the competition, a majority of spins, steps, jumps, throws, lifts and death spirals must receive a positive GOE.
4 or more #	In the free program, achieve 1 of the 4 following elements: 1 triple twist, Double Axel, 1 triple jump, 1 throw triple jump. During the competition, a majority of spins, steps, jumps, throws, lifts and death spirals must receive a positive GOE.

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### ICE DANCE

Jr Eligible Years	Skill Level in Free Program
3 or less #	Achieve the following executed elements: 1 step sequence at a minimum Level 3, Twizzles Level 4 and an average GOE for all technical elements of +0.50 or higher
4 or more #	Achieve the following executed elements: 1 step sequences at a minimum Level 2, Twizzles Level 3 and an average GOE for all technical elements of +0.25 or higher

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