



**Skate
Ontario**

SECTIONAL SERIES - DECEMBER

DECEMBER 7-10, 2023

HOSTED BY: SKATE ONTARIO & HUNTSVILLE SKATING CLUB

CANADA SUMMIT CENTRE

20 Park Drive
Huntsville, ON



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GENERAL INFORMATION

An invitation is extended to all eligible figure skaters to participate in 2023 Skate Ontario Sectional Series – December event. Skate Canada rules and regulations will apply throughout the competition unless otherwise specified. Rule amendments passed at the Skate Canada Ice Summit as well as any changes to ISU regulations, applicable to Skate Canada sanctioned events shall also apply.

The 2023 Skate Ontario Sectional Series - December Event is a non-qualifying event.

SKATE ONTARIO SECTIONAL SERIES – DECEMBER	
EVENT DATES:	DECEMBER 7-10, 2023
HOST:	SKATE ONTARIO & HUNTSVILLE SKATING CLUB
VENUE:	CANADA SUMMIT CENTRE 20 Park Drive, Huntsville, ON
ICE SURFACE:	Don Lough Arena: 100' x 200' Jack Bionda Arena: 85' x 190'

REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

REGISTRATION OPENS:	12:00 PM EST on October 2, 2023
REGISTRATION CLOSES:	11:59 PM EST on October 8, 2023
MUSIC & PPC REGISTRATION CLOSES:	11:59 PM EST on November 12, 2023

FOR INQUIRIES:	Skate Ontario Event Staff Point of Contact: Brittany Bilsborough bbilsborough@skateontario.org
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CONFIRMATION EMAILS

An email copy of each registration invoice will be automatically generated and sent to the account holder at the email address on the registrant's profile.

Please Note: If you select "NO" for News, Upcoming Program and Registration Information in the Message List on your Uplifter Registration account, you will not receive general emails from Skate Ontario about the event. These emails may include links to the competition entry lists, start orders, results, and important athlete updates.

COACHES' CONFIRMATION EMAILS

Coaches will receive an email confirming their athlete's registration information (if the correct email is provided at registration). It is the responsibility of the registrant to ensure the accuracy of the coach(es) email.

REGISTRATION

Registration for this event is an **online submission** and must be completed in full, including payment. Registrants must also acknowledge and agree to all policies listed in the cart for the entry to be finalized.

Please have the following ready before registering:

- Skate Canada number
- Category information
- Partner's name, Skate Canada number, date of birth, and home club (if applicable)
- Coach's email
- Credit card information

MUSIC UPLOAD & PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC)

Music and Planned Program Content (PPC) information will be submitted through [Uplifter](#). Deadline to submit music and PPC information is **Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 11:59 PM**.

Music file(s) and PPC information may be uploaded at the time of registration OR you may leave the music field and PPC fields blank and complete at a later time.

If you choose to submit your music and PPC information after completing your registration or need to update previously submitted files, log into your [Skate Ontario Uplifter account](#) to edit or submit the required information. Music and PPC information can be edited up until the deadline of Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 11:59 PM. All music files must be in MP3 format.

For detailed instructions on uploading your Music and PPC, [click here](#).

LATE SUBMISSIONS

Each late submission of music and/or PPC after the deadline will be subject to a \$50 late fee. For example, if a skater submits both their music and PPC information after the deadline, a total late fee of \$100 will be charged.

To avoid a late fee, skaters must submit their music by the deadline. Skaters can still make updates after the closing date by contacting the Skate Ontario Event Staff Point of Contact for the event. Be advised that changes made in the week leading to the event may not be able to be accommodated and a USB back-up for music may have to be used on-site.

Any questions about submitting music should be sent to the Skate Ontario Event Staff Point of Contact prior to the deadline.

REGISTRATION OPENING & CLOSING DATES

Registration for this event will open at 12:00 PM EST on Monday, October 2, 2023 and close at 11:59 PM EST on Sunday, October 8, 2023.

The detailed registration instructions are included on the registration site at:

<https://registration.skateontario.org/pages/events-2023-2024/sectional-series-23-24-december-event/>

Access to online registration will cease at **11:59 PM EST on Sunday, October 8, 2023**, or once registration is filled. Registrations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Please review your entry information before submitting.

In the event that registration is filled, skaters will be able to add their names to the waitlist. If a spot becomes available, skaters will have 24 hours to register. Waitlisted skaters will be accommodated until start orders are posted.

SCHEDULE

Schedule, entries, and start orders will be posted on the Skate Ontario website at: <http://www.skateontario.org>

ENTRY FEES

Payable by VISA or MasterCard. No other form of payment will be accepted.
All entry fees are subject to H.S.T.

Pre-Juvenile - Juvenile Singles	\$198.00
Juvenile Pairs	\$218.00
Pre-Juvenile Dance	\$231.00
Juvenile Dance	\$304.00

A \$10.00 + HST Streaming Development Fee will be added to each entry.

CATEGORIES

Starting Orders shall be determined by a random draw for the first segment. For categories with 2 segments, competitors will be assigned to skate the 2nd segment in reverse order of the results from the 1st segment.

Please refer to Skate Canada Rule Book and/or ISU website for the applicable program requirements and program lengths for each event for the 2023/2024 season.

The following categories are to be held at 2023 Skate Ontario Sectional Series – December:

ALL DISCIPLINES AT ALL LEVELS ARE OFFERED AS COMBINED CATEGORIES ONLY

SINGLES – Men & Women

Pre-Juvenile	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Freeskate Assessment or higher <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U11 - Must not have reached the age of 11 before July 1, 2023• U13 - Must not have reached the age of 13 before July 1, 2023
Juvenile	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Freeskate Assessment or higher <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U12 - Must not have reached the age of 12 before July 1, 2023• U14 - Must not have reached the age of 14 before July 1, 2023

PAIRS

Juvenile	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Freeskate Assessment or higher Must not have reached the age of 16 before July 1, 2023
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ICE DANCE

Pre-Juvenile	At least one partner must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Dance Assessment or higher Must not have reached the age of 14 before July 1, 2023 Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Canasta Tango (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Swing Dance (2 sequences)
Juvenile	At least one partner must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Dance Assessment or higher Must not have reached the age of 16 before July 1, 2023 Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: European Waltz (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Foxtrot (4 sequences)

MUSIC REQUIREMENTS

Program music must be submitted through Uplifter as an MP3 file. This includes all Series 8 pattern dance music. You may upload your music file at the time of registration, OR you may leave the music field blank, complete your registration, then log back into your account at a later date to upload your music file. If you checkout without uploading your music file, you must log into your account and upload your music file by Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 11:59 PM. You may also edit any uploaded music file up until this date.

BACK-UP MUSIC - USB:

PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO PLAY CDS

Skaters are asked to bring a MP3 version back-up of their music on a USB stick to the event, to be kept ice level with their coach. For skaters competing in more than 1 category, it is HIGHLY recommended that a separate back-up USB drive be available for each piece of music.

Alternate electronic items such as cellphones, tablets, mp3 players etc. will not be accepted.

PPC INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

Registrants will be asked to submit their Planned Program Content at the time of registration. You will have the option to complete the PPC fields at the time of registration, OR you may leave the fields blank, complete your registration, then log back into your account at a later date to complete your PPC information. All required PPC information must be submitted by Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 11:59 PM. You may also edit any submitted PPC information up until this date.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Registration is finalized only when all information is filled in and payment completed. Your receipt of payment is your registration confirmation. Please print your receipt and retain for your records.

STARTING ORDERS: Starting Orders shall be determined by a random draw for the first segment. For categories with 2 segments, competitors will be assigned to skate the 2nd segment in reverse order of the results from the 1st segment.

LATE ENTRIES: Entries received after the closing date will be considered by the Technical Representative for registration. Late entries are subject to a late fee of a 50% surcharge of registration fees for all categories. No late entries will be considered after start orders are posted (two weeks before event start). All late fees are 100% non-refundable.

LATE MUSIC & PPC SUBMISSION: There will be a \$50.00 late fee applied for failing to register Music and/or PPC online by the deadline. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until this fee has been paid and their music or PPC has been submitted.

REFUNDS: Full refunds will be given for any cancelled categories. NO REFUNDS (including medical) will be given after registration closes.

WITHDRAWALS PRIOR TO REGISTRATION CLOSE: If an entry is withdrawn prior to the registration closing date, a refund (less an administrative fee of \$50.00 per skater/team) will be granted.

CHANGE OF CATEGORY FEE: There will be a \$50.00 change of category fee applied for each granted change request after an online registration has been submitted.

RESTRICTIONS: In the case of a very large entry in any category, the entries will be drawn into groups. All groups are final and cannot be changed.

AGE REQUIREMENTS: As of July 1, 2023.

TEST REQUIREMENTS: As of February 15, 2024.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION: All competitors and Skate Canada registered coaches are required to register upon arrival at the arena. Specific on-site registration instructions will be shared prior to the competition.

COACH ACCREDITATION: To be accredited at the 2023 Skate Ontario Sectional Series – December event, coaches must be Regional Coach trained or certified. Up to two certified coaches or 1 coach and 1 choreographer per entry will be accredited.

Ontario coaches must present their Skate Ontario issued Coach's Accreditation Tag. No other form of identification will be accepted. Out of province coaches must provide proof at that they are a Registered Skate Canada Professional Coach in Good Standing when registering at the Coaches' sign in table.

AWARDS: Medals for first, second and third place will be awarded for each category. Medal presentation information will be available at the competition.

PROTESTS: For events using the Cumulative Points Calculation (CPC) scoring system, protests must be made as per the [Skate Canada Protest Procedure](#). Decisions of the officials categorized as field of play may not be protested, except as noted in the Protest Procedure. Items that can be protested: Participation of a competitor in the competition, Composition of panels of officials, Determination of the results of a competition

All protests regarding the determination of the result for a competitor(s) in the competition must be filed immediately after, but within no more than one hour, of the posting of the full and detailed results for the Segment in question.

EVENT INFORMATION

GENERAL ADMISSION

Adult:	\$8.00 per day
Seniors & Children (4-12):	\$6.00 per day
Children under 3:	Free
Adult Weekend Pass:	\$20.00
Senior & Children Weekend Pass:	\$15.00

HOTEL INFORMATION

Participants are required to book their own accommodations. Nearby hotels include:

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Huntsville
100 Howland Drive, Huntsville
705-788-9500

Home2 Suites by Hilton Huntsville
159 Howland Drive, Huntsville
705-990-4661

Comfort Inn
86 King William Street, Huntsville
705-789-1701

Best Western Plus Muskoka Inn
86 Howland Drive, Huntsville
705-788-3345

Hotel 6
70 Howland Drive, Huntsville
705-787-0118

Econo Lodge
117 Main St West, Huntsville
705-788-5051

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