Public Registration Waitlists

For the 2025/2026 season, Skate Ontario will be automatically waitlisting public registration for **all Provincial Series** and **STAR 1-4 Series events.** This means that at the posted opening time & date of public registration, you will only see an option to "Join Waitlist".

All waitlisted entries will be reviewed and invited athletes will be emailed directly with a link to register within 72 hours of public registration closing. The goal of this change is to ensure fairness for all athletes who wish to participate in a Skate Ontario event in the 2025/2026 season.

Waitlist Evaluation

For interested athletes, parents, and coaches, we have outlined a list of criteria below that will be considered when reviewing each waitlisted entry for events where there are more waitlisted entries than spots available:

- The number of events the waitlisted athlete has registered for OR already attended in the 2025/2026 season
- The number of additional events the waitlisted athlete is assigned to
- Did the athlete forgo any of their assigned events
- Athletes who compete in more than two disciplines and/or more than two categories
- Geography i.e. local athlete vs out of town
- Time the athlete joined the waitlist (only considered if a "tie break" is necessary after all other criteria has been considered)

Criteria that **will not** be considered or evaluated when reviewing waitlisted entries:

- Scores in the current or past seasons
- Provincial Championship rankings in the current or past seasons
- Qualifying vs Non-Qualifying categories
- Gender/Age
- How the athlete ranked the waitlisted event in the 2025/2026 Provincial Series Survey
- Public registration will not be on a first-come, first-served basis. The time the athlete joined the waitlist may only be considered if a "tie break" is necessary

Estimated Number of Public Spots Available by Event

- Public registration spots are estimated based on the number of entries we can accommodate at an event, less the predicted Assigned Athlete entries
- Assigned Athlete entries are calculated directly from survey submissions received in the Provincial Series Assignment Process
- The number of public spots may vary significantly if entries received during the Assigned Athlete Registration period are higher or lower than predicted
- We cannot guarantee any number of spots available during public registration.

Provincial Series #6 Stratford, #10 Milton, #13 Brampton, and #14 Gloucester may have an extremely limited number of public spots available.

Please note: *STAR 1-4 data will not be available until after the close of the STAR 1-4 Assignment Process Survey.*
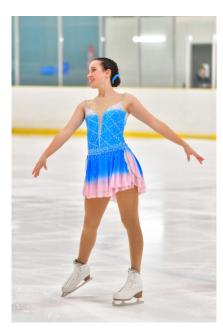

Waitlist Dos and Don'ts

- **Consider your waitlisted events carefully based on the estimated number spots available, along with the evaluation criteria listed above.**
- When joining the waitlist, add your athlete to **your desired category(ies) ONLY**. Do not join the waitlist for multiple levels of the same discipline, or both qualifying AND non-qualifying options. Doing this significantly inflates waitlist numbers and slows the review process. Please be intentional with your category selection. **If you do not plan to register for the category, do not join the waitlist for it.**
- **Watch your junk mail! If your athlete is invited to register, you will receive a link direct to your SkateReg user account email. If you do not register before your link expires, the spot will be offered to the next athlete.**
- **Register promptly if you receive a link and let us know if you are no longer interested in the spot so that we can offer it to the next athlete.**
- **Remove your athlete from the waitlist if you are no longer interested in the event. To remove your athlete from the waitlist, please email** events@skateontario.org **or the staff contact listed for the event.**

Questions about event assignments or public registration waitlists should be directed to eventassignment@skateontario.org.

Questions?

Questions should be directed to the Skate Ontario Events Team.

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