Skate Ontario

PROVINCIAL SERIES #7

STRATFORD DECEMBER CLASSIC

DECEMBER 17 - 20, 2026

HOSTED BY: SKATE ONTARIO & STRATFORD SKATING CLUB

STRATFORD ROTARY COMPLEX

353 MCCARTHY ROAD
STRATFORD, ON

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GENERAL INFORMATION

An invitation is extended to all eligible figure skaters to participate in 2026/2027 Skate Ontario Provincial Series #6 – Stratford December Classic. 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.

This event is the Special Olympics Ontario West Qualifier.

This event has qualifying categories for the 2027 Skate Ontario Provincial Championships. Qualifying Structure details for the Provincial Championships can be found here.

PROVINCIAL SERIES #6 – STRATFORD DECEMBER CLASSIC	
EVENT DATES:	DECEMBER 17 - 20, 2026
HOST:	SKATE ONTARIO & STRATFORD SKATING CLUB
VENUE:	STRATFORD ROTARY COMPLEX 353 MCCARTHY ROAD, STRATFORD, ON
ICE SURFACE:	RINK A: 85' X 200' RINK B: 85' X 200'

REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

ASSIGNED ATHLETE REGISTRATION OPENS:	10:00 AM ET October 15, 2026
ASSIGNED ATHLETE REGISTRATION CLOSES:	11:59 PM ET October 19, 2026
PUBLIC REGISTRATION OPENS:	1:00 PM ET on October 20, 2026
PUBLIC REGISTRATION CLOSES:	11:59 PM ET on October 22, 2026
MUSIC REGISTRATION CLOSES:	11:59 PM ET on November 23, 2026

FOR INQUIRIES:	**Skate Ontario Event Staff Point of Contact (SOSPOC):** Stephanie Lafleur slafleur@skateontario.org

SCHEDULE/ENTRY LISTS/START ORDERS/RESULTS

Schedule, entries, start orders, results, and skater details will be posted on the detailed event page for this event on the Skate Ontario website at: Provincial Series #7 - Stratford December Classic - Skate Ontario. Results and detail sheets will NOT be provided on-site at the competition.

SPECTATOR ADMISSION

General Admission: $10.00 per day
Ages 4-17yrs or 60+: $5.00 per day
Children 3yrs & under: Free

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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.

Prior to event registration, skaters are encouraged, if they haven't already, to create an Uplifter profile: Uplifter - Skate Ontario's Registration Platform - Skate Ontario

To create your Uplifter profile, you will need:

- Skater's name and date of birth
- Email address
    - This is where all communications and contact will be sent for the skater. Please use an email address that is regularly checked, as all communications will be sent to this email.
- Home club name
- Skate Canada number

Please have the following ready before registering and completing event registration:

- Category information
- Coach's name
    - If your Coach's name is not listed, select "Unavailable Coach" as your coach's name. Then email the SOSPOC with your coach's name and email address and the information will be updated.
- Credit card information

REGISTRATION OPENING & CLOSING DATES

ASSIGNED ATHLETE REGISTRATION

Registration for this event opens to all skaters who receive confirmation of advanced registration and the registration link at 10:00 AM ET October 15, 2026 and closes at 11:59 pm ET on October 19, 2026.

PUBLIC REGISTRATION WAITLIST

Registration for this event opens to the public at 1:00 PM ET October 20, 2026. Public registration will be automatically waitlisted. All interested skaters should join the waitlist for their **desired category(ies) only.** Please do not join duplicate waitlists i.e. qualifying AND non-qualifying of the same category, or two free programs, two short programs, etc.

All waitlisted entries will be reviewed and skaters who are invited to register will receive a link directly to their email address. If a spot becomes available, skaters will have 48 hours to register. Waitlisted skaters will be accommodated until start orders are posted.

ENTRY FEES

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

STAR 5 to Gold Singles	$183.00/person + H.S.T.
Pre-Novice & Novice Singles (Free Only)	$183.00/person + H.S.T.
Pre-Juvenile - Juvenile Singles	$183.00/person + H.S.T.
Artistic	$138.00/person + H.S.T.
Solo Pattern Dance – 4/5 – 10/Gold	$110.00/person + H.S.T.
STAR 6 Solo Free Dance	$110.00/person + H.S.T.
Pre-Novice Solo Free Dance	$183.00/person + H.S.T.
STAR 4/5 – Gold Couples Dance	$128.00/person + H.S.T.
Pre-Juvenile Dance	$257.00/team + H.S.T.
Juvenile Dance	$339.00/team + H.S.T.
Pre-Novice Free Dance	$243.00/team + H.S.T.
Juvenile – Novice Pair	$243.00/team + H.S.T.
Special Olympics – Introductory Dance	$44.00 + H.S.T.
Special Olympics – All Other Categories	$98.00 + H.S.T.
Adult Categories, excluding Artistic	$192.00 + H.S.T.
Adult Artistic	$151.00 + H.S.T.

A $10.00 + H.S.T. Admin Services Fee will apply to each registrant.

CATEGORIES

Starting Orders shall be determined by a random draw for the first 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 2026/2027 season.

The following categories are to be held at 2026/2027 Skate Ontario Provincial Series #7 – Stratford December Classic:

Age Requirement: All STAR categories have a maximum age limit of 21 as of July 1, 2026.

SINGLES FREESKATE – Men & Women

STAR 5	Qualifying & Non-Qualifying	Must not have passed any part of the STAR 8 freeskate assessment. • U10 - Must not have reached the age of 10 before July 1, 2026 • U13 - Must not have reached the age of 13 before July 1, 2026

		• 13&O – Shall be 13 years or over on July 1, 2026
STAR 6	Qualifying & Non-Qualifying	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 freeskate assessment.
STAR 7	Qualifying & Non-Qualifying	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 freeskate assessment. • U12 - Must not have reached the age of 12 before July 1, 2026 • O12 - Shall be 12 years or over on July 1, 2026
STAR 8	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 freeskate assessment.
STAR 9	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 freeskate assessment. • U14 - Must not have reached the age of 14 before July 1, 2026 • O14 - Shall be 14 years or over on July 1, 2026
STAR 10	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the complete STAR 8 freeskate assessment.
GOLD	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the complete STAR 8 freeskate assessment.
Pre-Juvenile	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Freeskate Assessment or higher • U11 - Must not have reached the age of 11 before July 1, 2026 • U13 - Must not have reached the age of 13 before July 1, 2026
Juvenile	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the complete STAR 5 (or equivalent) Freeskate Assessment or higher • U12 - Must not have reached the age of 12 before July 1, 2026 • U14 - Must not have reached the age of 14 before July 1, 2026
Pre-Novice	Qualifying	Free Program Only Must have passed the complete STAR 6 (or equivalent) Freeskate Assessment or higher Must not have reached the age of 16 before July 1, 2026
Novice	Non-Qualifying	Free Program Only Must have passed the complete Gold Freeskate Assessment Must not have reached the age of 17 before July 1, 2026

ARTISTIC

STAR 5	Qualifying & Non-Qualifying	Must have passed the STAR 4 Skills assessment.
STAR 7	Qualifying & Non-Qualifying	Must have passed the STAR 4 Skills assessment.
STAR 9	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the STAR 5 Artistic assessment.
GOLD	Qualifying Only	Must have passed the STAR 7 Artistic assessment.

ICE DANCE – SOLO

Solo Pattern Dance 4/5	Must have passed the complete Star 3 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Baby Blues (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Swing (2 sequences)
Solo Pattern Dance 6/7	Must have passed the complete Star 5 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Ten-Fox (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: European Waltz (2 sequences)
Solo Pattern Dance 8/9	Must have passed the complete Star 5 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Rocker Foxtrot (4 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Starlight Waltz (2 sequences)
Solo Pattern Dance 10/Gold	Must have passed the complete Star 8 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Starlight Waltz (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Quickstep (4 sequences)
STAR 6 Solo Free Dance	N/A
Pre-Novice Solo Free Dance	Must have passed the complete STAR 6 (or equivalent) Dance Assessment or higher. Must not have reached the age of 18 before July 1 preceding the competition.

STAR ICE DANCE – PATTERN DANCE (Partnered)

STAR 4/5 Couples Dance	Qualifying Only	At least one partner must have passed the complete Star 3 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Baby Blues (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Swing (2 sequences)
STAR 6/7 Couples Dance	Qualifying Only	At least one partner must have passed the complete Star 5 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Ten Fox (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: European Waltz (2 sequences)
STAR 8/9 Couples Dance	Qualifying Only	At least one partner must have passed the complete Star 5 dance assessment Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Rocker Foxtrot (4 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Starlight Waltz (2 sequences)
STAR 10/Gold Couples Dance	Qualifying Only	At least one partner must have passed the complete Star 7 dance assessment. Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Starlight Waltz (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Quickstep (4 sequences)

ICE DANCE

Pre-Juvenile	Qualifying Only	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, 2026 Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Baby Blues (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Swing (2 sequences)
Juvenile	Qualifying Only	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, 2026 Pattern Dances to be skated: Pattern Dance #1: Ten Fox (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: European Waltz (2 sequences)
Pre-Novice *Free Dance ONLY*	Qualifying Only	At least one partner must have passed the complete STAR 6 (or equivalent) Dance Assessment or higher Must not have reached the age of 18 before July 1, 2026

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Singles: Male & Female (Free Skate Program only)	Levels 1 – 6 Open	
Dance: Solo & Pattern	Introductory	Elements Only (Solo Dance ONLY)
	Level 1	Pattern Dance #1: Dutch Waltz (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Canasta Tango (2 sequences)
	Level 2	Pattern Dance #1: Fiesta Tango (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Willow Waltz (2 sequences)
	Level 3	Pattern Dance #1: Willow Waltz (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Fourteenstep (4 sequences)
	Level 4	Pattern Dance #1: Foxtrot (4 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: American (3 sequences)
	Level 5	Pattern Dance #1: Rocker (4 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Killian (4 sequences)
	Level 6	Pattern Dance #1: Blues (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Viennese (3 sequences)
Pair (Free Skate Program only)	Levels 1-3	
Masters - Freeskate	Masters Level 1/2 Freeskate Masters Level 3/4 Freeskate	
Artistic	STAR 5 STAR 7 STAR 9 Gold	

ADULT

*Please note the following age categories MAY apply to Singles Free Skating and Artistic categories and will depend on the number of registrations:

Young Adult	18 – 27 years
Class I	28 – 37 years
Class II	38 – 47 years
Class III	48 – 57 years
Class IV	58 – 67 years
Class V	68 years and older

Adult Singles FreeSkate Women & Men	Adult Intro Open Free Skate Adult Bronze Free Skate Adult Silver Free Skate Adult Gold Free Skate Adult Masters Free Skate Adult Masters Elite Free Skate
Artistic	Adult Introductory Artistic Adult Bronze Artistic Adult Silver Artistic Adult Gold Artistic

	Adult Elite Artistic Adult Open Partner Artistic Adult Open Masters Partner Artistic	
Partnered Pattern Dance	Adult STAR 4/5 Dance	Pattern Dance #1: Swing (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Ten-Fox (3 sequences)
	Adult STAR 6/7 Dance	Pattern Dance #1: European (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Foxtrot (4 sequences)
	Adult STAR 8/9 Dance	Pattern Dance #1: American (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Tango (2 sequences)
	Adult STAR 10/Gold Dance	Pattern Dance #1: Viennese (3 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Paso (3 sequences)
Partnered Pattern Dance	Adult STAR Elite Dance (For former competitive skaters or skaters approximately at this level)	Pattern Dance #1: Westminster (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Tango Romantica (2 sequences)
Partnered Free Dance	Adult Bronze Free Dance Adult Silver Free Dance Adult Gold Free Dance	
Solo Pattern Dance	Adult STAR 4/5 Dance	Pattern Dance #1: Canasta Tango (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Willow Waltz (2 sequences)
	Adult STAR 6/7 Dance	Pattern Dance #1: Ten-Fox (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Fourteenstep (4 sequences)
	Adult STAR 8/9 Dance	Pattern Dance #1: European (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Tango (2 sequences)
	Adult STAR 10/Gold Dance	Pattern Dance #1: Starlight (2 sequences) Pattern Dance #2: Quickstep (4 sequences)
Solo Free Dance	Adult Bronze Solo Free Dance Adult Gold Solo Free Dance	
Pairs	Adult Pair Adult Masters Pairs	

MUSIC REQUIREMENTS

Program music must be submitted through Uplifter as an MP3 file. You may upload your music file at the time of registration, OR leave the music field blank, complete your registration, and 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 **Monday, November 23, 2026, at 11:59 PM**. You may also edit any uploaded music file up until this date.

Music not submitted by the deadline of **Monday, November 23, 2026, at 11:59 PM**. will be subject to a $75.00 late fee. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until this fee has been paid, and their music has been submitted.

Click below for instructions on how to upload/update your music file(s) after completing the registration process:

Click Here for Singles Music Instructions

Click Here for Pair/Dance Music Instructions

BACK-UP MUSIC - USB:

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.

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

PPC INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

Planned Program Content (PPC) must be submitted on-site at Skater Registration for all Freeskates, Artistic, and free dance programs. You **MUST** bring a pre-filled copy of your planned program sheet.

Click here for a Blank Planned Program Content sheet.

CONFIRMATION EMAILS

A summary of your registration will be automatically generated and sent to the email address on the registrant's profile. Registration receipts can be found on your Uplifter account.

Coaches will not receive an email confirmation of their skater's registration. Skaters should confirm with their coaches that they have registered.

Interim Entry Lists will be posted shortly after registration is finalized. Official entry lists by group are posted a minimum of 3 weeks prior to the event.

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.

AGE REQUIREMENTS: As of July 1, 2026.

MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENTS: All STAR categories have a maximum age limit of 21 as of July 1, 2026.

AGE CATEGORIES: For any skater competing in a category that is divided by age, skaters are required to compete in the appropriate age bracket. Example: If an skater is competing in Pre-Juvenile and is 10 years old as of July 1 of that year, they are not eligible to compete in Pre-Juvenile U13.

TEST REQUIREMENTS: As of February 15, 2027.

REGISTERED IN MULTIPLE CATEGORIES: Skaters choosing to enter multiple categories, do so with the understanding that there may be scheduling conflicts that allow for minimum preparation time between categories.

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 second segment in reverse order of the results from the first segment.

START ORDERS/RESULTS/DETAIL SHEETS: The start order/results and detail sheets will be posted on the Skate Ontario website. Results and detail sheets will NOT be provided on-site at the competition.

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 $50.00. No late entries will be considered after start orders are posted (two weeks before event start). All late fees are 100% non-refundable.

RESTRICTIONS:

- In the case of a very large entry in any category, the entries will be drawn into groups which will be determined by random draw. All groups are final and cannot be changed.
- Skaters are not permitted to register for more than one (1) level of the same discipline/program type at any event. For example, a skater *may not* register for two free programs; however, a skater may register for both a short *and* free program.
- Skaters may not register for both qualifying and non-qualifying categories in any one disicipline at the same event.
- Skaters may register for more than one disicipline at the same event i.e. Freeskate (short and/or free), Artistic, Dance, Pair

SINGLE ENTRIES: Skate Ontario reserves the right to cancel any categories with only 1 registrant. If an event has only one registrant, they will be contacted about next steps after registration closes.

CANCELLED CATEGORIES: Skate Ontario reserves the right to cancel any categories based on registration needs.

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.

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

WITHDRAW PROCEDURE: Skaters needing to withdraw from the event, should email the Skate Ontario Event Staff Point of Contact (SOSPOC). Written notice should come directly from the skater, parent/guardian, or either of the listed attending coaches.

WAIVERS: All waivers must be signed and completed through Uplifter, Skate Ontario's event registration system, prior to on-site registration.

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 2026-2027 Skate Ontario Provincial Series event, coaches must be Regional Coach trained or certified and in Good Standing with Skate Canada. Up to two certified coaches 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. These coaches may be asked to show their Skate Canada dashboard.

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. Must be in writing.

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