

# 2017 Skate Colorado Compete USA Series



<p><b>Denver Invitational (South Suburban)</b>  <b>Date: March 16-19, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.denverfsc.org">www.denverfsc.org</a>                      6580 So. Vine Street                      Centennial, CO 80121                      Competition Chair: Lisa May  <a href="mailto:lisa@denverfsc.org">lisa@denverfsc.org</a>                      (720) 272-0290  <b>Competition Application Deadline: Feb 5, 2017</b></p>	<p><b>Ft. Collins Classic (EPIC)</b>  <b>Date: March 30 - April 2, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.fortcollinsfsc.org">www.fortcollinsfsc.org</a>                      1801 Riverside                      Fort Collins, CO 80525                      Competition Chair: Dawn Cramer  <a href="mailto:sinjinaz@icloud.com">sinjinaz@icloud.com</a>                      (602) 403-3176  <b>Competition Application Deadline: March 1, 2017</b></p>
<p><b>Colorado College Cup (Honnen Ice Arena)</b>  <b>Date: April 23, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.coloradocollege.edu/other/honnen">http://www.coloradocollege.edu/other/honnen</a>                      14 Cache La Poudre St.                      Colorado Springs, CO 80903                      Competition Chair: Linda Alexander  <a href="mailto:lalexander@coloradocollege.edu">lalexander@coloradocollege.edu</a>                      (719) 389-6156  <b>Competition Application Deadline: March 30, 2017</b></p>	<p><b>Front Range Invitational (Greeley Ice Haus)</b>  <b>Date: June 3-4, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.mountainviewskatingclub.com">www.mountainviewskatingclub.com</a>                      PO Box 336771                      Greeley, CO 80633                      Competition Chair: Leah Hurst  <a href="mailto:competition@mountainviewskatingclub.com">competition@mountainviewskatingclub.com</a>                      (970) 616-9101  <b>Competition Application Deadline: May 1, 2017</b></p>
<p><b>Broadmoor Open (World Arena)</b>  <b>Date: June 18, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.broadmoorskatingclub.com">www.broadmoorskatingclub.com</a>                      3185 Venetucci Blvd                      Colorado Springs, CO 80906                      Competition Chair: Barbara Bradley  <a href="mailto:HoneyB23@aol.com">HoneyB23@aol.com</a>  <b>Competition Application Deadline: April 28, 2017</b></p>	<p><b>Colorado Championships (Ice Centre at the Promenade)</b>  <b>Date: Aug 3-5, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.denverfsc.org">www.denverfsc.org</a>                      10710 Westminster Blvd                      Westminster, CO 80020                      Competition Chair: Cassy Papajohn  <a href="mailto:coloradochampionships@gmail.com">coloradochampionships@gmail.com</a>                      (303) 919-0303  <b>Competition Application Deadline: July 7, 2017</b></p>
<p><b>Colorado Gold (South Suburban)</b>  <b>Date: August 18-20, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.coloradoskatingclub.net">www.coloradoskatingclub.net</a>                      6580 So. Vine Street                      Centennial, CO 80121                      Competition Chair: Valerie Powell / Mike Maciolek  <a href="mailto:vailval@comcast.net">vailval@comcast.net</a> / <a href="mailto:mcmaciolek@hotmail.com">mcmaciolek@hotmail.com</a>                      (303) 596-0339 / (303) 915-9570  <b>Competition Application Deadline: July 2, 2017</b></p>	<p><b>Colorado Springs Invitational (Monument Ice Rinks)</b>  <b>Date: September 17, 2017</b>  <a href="http://www.centennialskatingclub.org">www.centennialskatingclub.org</a>                      16240 Old Denver Highway                      Monument, CO 80132                      Competition Chair: Lisa Landon  <a href="mailto:Lisa_landon@comcast.net">Lisa_landon@comcast.net</a>                      (719) 659-0912  <b>Competition Application Deadline: Aug 4, 2017</b>  <b>*** All 2017 Skate Colorado Compete USA Competition Series awards will be presented at the conclusion of this competition ***</b></p>

**MISSION STATEMENT:** To provide an opportunity for Colorado skaters to develop their skating skills in a fun, competitive environment.

**AWARDS:** During the competition season, skaters and teams/clubs will have the chance to compete at 8 different competitions and earn points for a final standing. Trophies and medals will be awarded at the conclusion of the CSI Skate Colorado Compete USA competition.

*Skate Colorado Compete USA Series Team Banner (4 x 6) – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place banners will be awarded to the club/skating school with the most points scored throughout the entire series (all 8 competitions) by skaters representing that club/skating school (points for clubs and skating schools located at the same rink will be added together to enhance and create more of a “team” concept). Points will be awarded based upon the same system as the individual points. Tie breakers will be the same as the individual tie breakers.*

## **Free skate Program and Elements/Compulsory Series Point System**

A skater must enter **BOTH** the Free skate Program **AND** the Elements/Compulsory event **IN THE SAME LEVEL** in each of at least TWO of the NINE registered Skate Colorado Compete USA Competitions to be eligible for accumulating points. Skaters must compete in a minimum of 2 competitions. Only up to the best 4 scores (free skate and compulsory/elements added together) of the season will be totaled for the final score in the series. Each event will have a maximum of six skaters. Both youth and adults may accumulate points!

The system for scoring points for the trophies will be as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> place	6 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	5 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	4 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place	3 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place	2 points
6 <sup>th</sup> place	1 point

*\* A skater will earn three points toward their overall standing each time the skaters enters a level that is higher than the level competed in at the previous competition throughout the duration of the series. In order to keep the extra three points he/she must compete in that level or higher in all subsequent competitions. Move up points will be awarded for all 8 series events (even though the event point scores may not be one of the final four best scores).*

In the event that there is only one skater in an event, the skater will have the choice to skate alone OR move up a level to compete against other skaters, **HOWEVER, THE SKATER WILL HAVE TO MOVE UP IN BOTH THE ELEMENTS/COMPULSORY MOVES AND THE PROGRAMS W/MUSIC EVENTS.** In this case, those skaters will be allowed to move back to their original level to compete at the next competition and shall not be awarded the 3 point move up credit.

If an event has 2-6 skaters, the points will be awarded as if there were six skaters in the group. If there is only one skater in the group, that skater will be awarded three points.

**In case of a tie, the total number of skaters that the competitor has skated against throughout the series (all competitions and not just the competitions with the 4 best scores) will be the 1st tie breaker. The total score for all free skate events during the season will be the 2nd tie breaker, the total score for all compulsory events during the season will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> tie breaker, and the number of levels increased throughout the season will be the 4<sup>th</sup> tie breaker.**

All points follow the skater throughout the series, so if a skater moves up to higher levels, the points follow the skater. Once a skater moves up a level, they may not compete at a lower level unless they moved up as a result of having no other skaters in their group.

Trophies will be awarded 1-3 place and medals will be awarded for 4-6 place in each level from Snowplow Sam through Free Skate 6 and Adult 1-6. The trophies and medals will be awarded to the skaters at their level as of the last competition in the series.

### **Rules and Format:**

#### **COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

The **Skate Colorado Compete USA Competition Series** is sponsored equally by the 8 participating ice rinks and/or U.S. Figure Skating member clubs. Competition packages will be available at all participating ice rinks and/or via the club or rink websites. Each competition will have its own entry forms and specific rules so please make sure to read the entire announcement for each competition.

#### **ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS**

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Learn to Skate USA Program and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Learn to Skate USA Program/Club or any other Learn to Skate USA Program/Club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of the closing date of entries.

All Snowplow Sam through Basic 6 skaters are eligible to skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition and **NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or individual dances.**

All Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 6 skaters are eligible to skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition. **Skaters may have passed Pre-Preliminary MITF and no higher, Preliminary Dance and no higher, and may NOT have passed any U.S. FIGURE SKATING free skate tests.**

*It is very important to the success of the series that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the local organizing committee and/or their Chief Referee discover that a skater has been placed in a category that is below their class level, the chair and referee will have the option to move the skater to the proper division, even if this has to be done the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors.*

## Elements: Snowplow Sam – Basic 6

Format: Each skater will have the option to perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps) **OR** will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee.

- To be skated on ½ ice
- No music
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed**
- If the description of a required move states the direction of the element or the placement of the free leg, then options are **NOT** allowed
- Time: 1:00 MAX

## Compulsory: Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 6 and Adults 1-6

Format: In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional

- To be skated on ½ ice
- No music is allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use, but is not required to use, any additional elements from previous levels
- If the description of the move states the direction of the element or the placement of the free leg, then options are **NOT** allowed
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:15 MAX Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 6; 1:30 MAX Adult 1-6

## Programs with Music: Snowplow Sam – Basic 6

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise specified.

- To be skated on full ice
- Vocal music is allowed
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- If the description of a required move states the direction of the element or the placement of the free leg, then options are **NOT** allowed
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:10 MAX

## Programs with Music: Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 6 and Adult 1 – 6

Format: The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times element is executed, or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise stated. Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.

- Vocal music is allowed.
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use, but is not required to use, any additional elements from previous levels
- If the description of a required move states the direction of the element or the placement of the free leg, then options are **NOT** allowed
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:40 MAX

# Required Descriptions for Elements & Compulsories

Level	Skating rules / standards	Level	Skating rule/ standards
Snowplow Sam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>March followed by a two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 2-3 in a row</li> <li>Forward snowplow stop</li> <li>Backward wiggles, 2-6 in a row</li> </ul>	Free Skate 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alternating Mohawk/crossover sequence, right to left and left to right</li> <li>Waltz three-turns, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>Advanced back spin with free foot in crossed leg position, (minimum three revolutions)</li> <li>Loop</li> <li>Waltz jump/toe loop or Salchow/toe loop combination</li> </ul>
Basic 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward two-foot glide and dip</li> <li>Forward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> <li>Beginning snowplow stop on two-feet or one-foot</li> <li>Backward wiggles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>	Free Skate 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward power 3's, 2-3 consecutive sets, right or left</li> <li>Sit spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>Half loop</li> <li>Flip</li> </ul>
Basic 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward one-foot glide, either foot</li> <li>Scooter pushes, right and left foot, 2-3 each foot</li> <li>Moving snowplow stop</li> <li>Two-foot turn in place, forward to backward</li> <li>Backward two-foot swizzles, 6-8 in a row</li> </ul>	Free Skate 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Backward outside three-turn, Mohawk (backward power three-turn), both directions</li> <li>Camel spin - minimum three revolutions</li> <li>Waltz jump-loop combination</li> <li>Lutz</li> </ul>
Basic 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beginning forward stroking showing correct use of blade</li> <li>Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise, 4-6 consecutive</li> <li>Forward slalom</li> <li>Beginning backward one-foot glide, either foot</li> <li>Moving forward to backward two-foot turn on a circle</li> </ul>	Free Skate 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward power pulls, right and left</li> <li>Split jump or stag jump</li> <li>Camel, sit spin combination - minimum of four revolutions total</li> <li>Waltz jump, half loop, Salchow sequence</li> <li>Axel</li> </ul>
Basic 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Backward one-foot glides, right and left</li> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counter clockwise</li> <li>Forward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> <li>Beginning two-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions</li> <li>Backward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, one direction only</li> </ul>	Adult 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward marching</li> <li>Forward two-foot glide</li> <li>Forward swizzle (4-6 in a row)</li> <li>Forward snowplow stop – two feet or one foot</li> </ul>
Basic 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Backward outside edge on a circle, clockwise or counterclockwise</li> <li>Backward crossovers, 4-6 consecutive, both directions</li> <li>Advanced two-foot spin, 4-6 revolutions</li> <li>Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Hockey stop</li> </ul>	Adult 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward skating across the width of the ice</li> <li>Forward one-foot glides</li> <li>Forward slalom</li> <li>Backward skating</li> <li>Backward swizzles, 4-6 in a row</li> </ul>
Basic 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Bunny Hop</li> <li>Forward spiral on a straight line, right or left</li> <li>Beginning one-foot spin, 2-4 revolutions, optional free leg held position and entry</li> <li>T-stop, right or left</li> </ul>	Adult 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward stroking using the blade properly</li> <li>Forward half-swizzle pumps on the circle, 6 to 8 in a row, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>Forward chasses on a circle, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>Backward skating to a long two-foot glide</li> <li>Backward snowplow stop, right and left</li> </ul>
Pre-Free Skate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two forward crossovers into a forward inside Mohawk, step down and cross behind, step into one backward crossover and step to a forward inside edge, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>One-foot upright spin, optional entry and free-foot position (minimum three revolutions)</li> <li>Mazurka</li> <li>Waltz jump</li> </ul>	Adult 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward outside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>Forward inside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>Forward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>Hockey stop, both directions</li> <li>Backward one-foot glides, right and left</li> </ul>
Free Skate 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward power stroking, 4-6 consecutive strokes</li> <li>Backward outside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>Upright spin, entry from backward crossovers (minimum 4-6 revolutions)</li> <li>Toe loop</li> <li>Half flip</li> </ul>	Adult 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Backward outside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>Backward inside edge on a circle, right and left</li> <li>Backward crossovers, clockwise and counterclockwise</li> <li>Forward outside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>Beginning two-foot spin</li> </ul>
Free Skate 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alternating forward outside and inside spirals on a continuous axis (2 sets)</li> <li>Backward inside three-turns, right and left</li> <li>Beginning back spin, up to two revolutions</li> <li>Half Lutz</li> <li>Salchow</li> </ul>	Adult 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forward stroking with crossover end patterns</li> <li>Backward stroking with crossover end patterns</li> <li>Forward inside three-turn, right and left</li> <li>T-stop</li> <li>Lunge</li> <li>Two-foot spin into one-foot spin</li> </ul>

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