



Skate Canada NB Competition Guidelines, Rules & Policies

2017-2018

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1. General Information

Skate Canada NB events provide opportunity for all skaters to compete throughout the season. The following table identifies the categories offered at each event. For details on location and date, please consult the SCNB calendar.

Competition	Event Categories
SCNB Fall Skate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Novice to Senior • STAR 2 - Gold Freeskate • Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile • Elements: STAR 2 – Gold** • Elements: Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile • Pre-Intro to Gold Interpretive • Adult Freeskate • Adult Interpretive • Special Olympics
SCNB Sectionals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Novice to Senior • Pre-juvenile and Juvenile Freeskate • Elements: Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile
SCNB Winter Skate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Novice to Senior • STAR 1 - Gold Freeskate • Pre-juvenile and Juvenile • Elements: Pre-Novice to Senior • Pre-Intro to Gold Interpretive • Adult Freeskate • Adult Interpretive • Special Olympics
SCNB Provincial STARSkate and Synchro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR 4 - Gold Freeskate • Pre-juvenile and Juvenile • Interpretive Bronze to Gold • Couples Interpretive Bronze to Gold • Beginner 1 – Open Synchro • Adult Class 1 – 3 Synchro
SCNB Spring Skate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Novice to Senior Short and/or Freeskate • STAR 1 - Gold Freeskate • Pre-juvenile and Juvenile • Elements: STAR 2 – Gold** • Elements: Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile • Elements: Pre-Novice to Senior • Pre-Intro to Gold Interpretive • Couples Interpretive Pre-intro to Gold • Adult Freeskate • Adult Interpretive • Special Olympics

**The Open element category may be used if there are not sufficient numbers to run Sr. Bronze and above categories.

Competition at all SCNB sanctioned events shall NOT commence before 8 am or be scheduled to conclude any later than 10 pm (4 pm on Sundays).

Skater(s) may be disqualified from the competition if entered in the wrong age level and/or category.

Categories may be cancelled if Officials are not available. This will be at the discretion of the Technical Representative and LOC.

The Technical Representative and the LOC reserve the right to restrict entries due to scheduling and time constraints. The Technical Representative and the LOC reserve the right to cancel events. **Any decision to restrict or cancel events will be communicated accordingly.**

Questions and requests for further assistance should be directed to the Technical Representative or LOC Registration Chairperson. Phone calls to any Organizing Committee member are NOT accepted after 9:00 pm.

2. Eligibility - Test and Age Pre-requisites

Competitors wishing to enter events during the 2017-2018 skating season must meet the following test and age prerequisites/deadlines:

COMPETITIVE STREAM

Test requirements	Before October 1 st preceding the competition*
Age requirement	Before July 1 st preceding the competition

- * For Fall Skate 2017 and Spring Skate 2018 Only, the test requirement is Before midnight of the closing date of entries

STARSKATE/ADULT STREAM/PRE-JUVENILE AND JUVENILE

Test requirements	Before midnight of the closing date of entries
Age requirement	Before July 1 st preceding the competition

Any skater entered in an age-restricted category for which they are not age-qualified shall be disqualified and not permitted to change categories after the start of the competition. Entry fees shall not be refunded.

3. Selection of Skating Stream Policy (revised September 11 2017)

Competitive skaters who ~~register~~ to compete at ~~SCNB Fall Skate and/or~~ SCNB Sectional Championships in any discipline (Pre-Novice to Senior) are not eligible to compete in any STARSkate category within the same skating season. Competitive skaters wishing to change to the STARSkate stream will only be able to do so at SCNB Spring Skate.

STARSkaters (including Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile) who wish to move to a Competitive category may do so at any time during the skating season. In doing so, they are no longer eligible to compete in STARSkate categories at all remaining events of season, including Provincial STARSkate Championships.

4. Competition Entry Fees

The Following registration fees will apply:

Sectionals

- \$145.00 per Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile Singles events
- \$225.00 per Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior Singles combined events
- \$115.00 per person per Dance or Pair event
- \$ 55.00 per Element events

Invitationals

COMPETITIVE STREAM:

- \$90.00 per part or \$180.00 for combined: Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior Singles
- \$90.00 per person per Dance or Pair event

STARSKATE STREAM (STARSkate, Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, Adult, Special Olympic):

- \$ 55.00 per entry Star 1 Free Skating
- \$ 75.00 per entry Star 2 and 3 Free Skating
- \$ 90.00 per entry Star 4 to Gold Free Skating (including Adults)
- \$ 90.00 per person per Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile event
- \$ 90.00 per person per Interpretive event (including Adults)
- \$ 90.00 per entry Special Olympics
- \$ 55.00 Element events

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING STREAM:

- \$250 per team and \$20 per skater (Teams Skating 2 programs)
- \$125 per team and \$15 per skater (Teams Skating 1 program)

5. Coaches Accreditation

All Coaches who attend competitions in the Section of New Brunswick **MUST** wear their accreditation tag at all times.

Upon arrival at the competition, all Coaches must register at the Coaches' Registration table in person.

If a Coach does not have their accreditation tag, a temporary tag will be provided and a fine of \$20.00 will be assessed and paid immediately. If a Coach has an expired accreditation card, that Coach will not be allowed access to the coaching area.

Please note that only two Coaches per entry will be accredited. Only two people will be allowed at ice level – determined by the skater/team.

For the 2017-18 skating season, Coaches will adhere to the following accreditation policies:

Qualifying events: <https://info.skatecanada.ca/index.php/en-ca/?id=139:skate-canada-domestic-events-accreditation-procedure>

Provincial STARSkate and Invitational Competitions: Must be a minimum of Regional Trained

6. On-site Registration and Practice Ice

REGISTRATION: Competitors at all competitions must register **at least one hour** (60 minutes) prior to the commencement of their first official practice session or competition event.

Planned Program Content sheets must be submitted to the LOC at the latest 7 days prior to the competition start date. There will be a \$20 fee charged for failing to submit Planned program by the deadline. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until this fee has been paid and a Planned Program sheet has been submitted.

PRACTICE ICE: Upon registration or attendance at an officially scheduled practice session, competitors are not permitted to skate on ice other than the official practice or competition ice as scheduled for the event. Violators of this rule shall be subject to suspension from the competition in question.

7. Dressing Room Policy

All Skate Canada NB sanctioned competitions will provide separate dressing rooms for Male and Female Athletes for the duration of the event. Male and Female Skaters will not be required to share a dressing room.

Maximum one parent/guardian per skater will be accredited and may accompany the skater in the dressing room.

8. Marking

- STAR 1, 2 & 3, Pre-Introductory & Introductory Interpretive, Special Olympics Introductory Dance and STAR 2 & 3 Element categories are assessed.
 - Skaters will receive a ribbon and a report card corresponding to their achievement.
- STAR 4 and Special Olympics Level 1 to 5 categories will be assessed and ranked.
 - Skaters placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd will receive medals. All skaters will receive a report card showing individual element assessments.
- All other categories will be marked using the CPC Scoring system.

9. Music

Music must be turned in at the time of registration. Two CDs and their cases must have the competitor's name and event clearly printed. The music information as required on the Entry Form must be completed in detail. **Music is to be submitted for STAR 2 events and higher.**

Short/Free Program Music Requirements

Each entry must provide 2 CDs of equal quality for each event, one for competition (marked "master") and one for backup (marked "copy"). The standards for music are listed below.

Standard Specifications for Music

1. Only one (1) program shall be recorded on each CD.
2. The start of the music shall be recorded on the CD with less than 2 seconds following lead in.
3. Competitor's name followed by category and program type and music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on side one of the CD. Each should be in their integral container, and also marked accordingly.
4. Each CD shall be enclosed in its plastic case.

10. Return of Music and Report Card Process

Skater Detail Sheets ("Report Cards") will be available at Music Registration upon posting of the Segment and/or Category results. The Skaters/Teams may sign out music and report card at any time after their skate provided the "Report Card" is available.

There will only be one copy of a "Report Card" produced and this may only be received by the Skaters/Teams, and must be signed for. Report cards not picked up by the skaters at the competition will only be available as posted on the web at www.skatenb.org.

Coaches and skaters are encouraged to ask for explanations on the skater's report card if needed. All informal requests for clarification of decisions of the officials categorized as "field of play" shall be filed with the Technical Representative of the competition. The Technical Representative will coordinate the most appropriate mechanism for the Technical Controller or category Referee (as appropriate) to provide feedback to the questions. Such informal requests may be made by the skater/team, the coach of the skater/team, club of the skater/team, or any official of the competition.

11. Awards and Medals Policy

Ribbons:

- STAR 1-3 competitors (including Elements)
- Pre-introductory and Introductory Interpretive (not including adults)
- Special Olympics Introductory Dance

Medals:

- All other categories as follows:

Prizes shall be presented to the top three places in each event. In the case of only two entries, each entry shall be awarded a prize. In the case of only one entry in an event, an exhibition skate shall be performed but no prize shall be awarded.

A schedule of medal and ribbons presentations will be determined on-site during the competition. All presentations of medals and ribbons will be held at a designated site off the ice.

12. Camera and Video Policy

Skate Canada NB will enforce the following **Skate Canada privacy protection Camera and Video Policy**:

- Spectators are only permitted to use cameras and video at the event for personal use (for their child only);
- Camera lens must not be larger than 200 mm;
- **No flash photography is allowed;**
- Any resale of photography is strictly prohibited.

As such, Skate Canada NB encourages you to **not use** cameras during Skate Canada organized events out of respect for the safety and privacy of competing athletes. Those individuals failing to comply with this request could have their cameras revoked from security, the Technical Representative or the Event Referee.

13. Accidents / Liability

Skate Canada, Skate Canada NB, and the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in all competitions, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competitions and to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the Association, the Section, the LOC and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

14. Refunds, Exhibitions and Skating Up

REFUND OF ENTRY FEES: Entry fees shall be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the date of closing of entries.

If only one skater is entered in an event, that skater has the option to compete in the next highest event (whenever possible), skate an exhibition or withdraw from the competition. The LOC will contact the skater and the skater will have 48 hrs to convey their decision back to the LOC and this decision shall be final. If an answer is not received, the event will be cancelled.

Skaters wishing to skate an exhibition will be charged the regular skating fee. This fee will include feedback from the judging panel via the ISU report card. No medals are awarded for exhibition skates.

If there are fewer than three participants in an event with age divisions, then it will be combined with the same level of event in a different age division.

15. Schedule

The schedule of events will be made available on the Skate Canada NB website. Electronic mail will also be the primary method of communication with Skaters and Coaches.

Competition at all SCNB sanctioned events shall NOT commence before 8 am or be scheduled to conclude any later than 10 pm (4 pm on Sundays).

Note that the Technical Representative and the LOC reserve the right to cancel events for reasons of logistical constraints. Any such decision will be communicated accordingly to the membership via email by the LOC.

16. Ticket Information

An admission fee may be charged. Competitors and coaches will **not** be charged an admission fee.