

Draw for Starting Order for the First Segment of the Event

With the exception of Senior Events at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships, the starting order of the competitors for each event will be randomly drawn by the Data Specialist in cooperation with the Technical Representative. The draw may be done manually or by computer.

For the first or only segment of an event, the draw may be done up to 30 days in advance. The draw will be made once, then is posted/announced.

Draw for Starting Order for Subsequent Segments of an Event

Determination of warm-up groups and the starting order of competitors' subsequent segments of an event is determined from the result of the preceding part of the competition concerned and should be drawn as soon as is practical following the completion of the first segment:

- Singles and Pairs: From the results of the short program
- Free Dance: From the results of the pattern dances/rhythm dance
- Synchronized Skating: From the results of the short program or the first skate of the free skating program, where applicable

For each succeeding Segment of an event, as soon as possible after the determination of the results of the preceding Segment, the competitors will be divided (in the order in which they finished in the first part) into the smallest possible number of equal groups, each group being no larger than the applicable warm-up group. If the number of competitors is not evenly divisible, the last group to skate (and as many preceding groups as necessary) must contain one more competitor than the first group. The lowest placed group must skate first, the next lowest second, and so on.

If two or more competitors are tied for the same place at the end of the preceding Segment, they will be placed in the same group. If necessary, the immediately preceding group will be smaller than the number of competitors added to the following group.

Determining starting order in subsequent segments once warm-up groups have been established will be done accordingly:

Sub-groups Within a Warm-up Group

The order of skating for the final two warm-up groups will be drawn in four sub-groups (two sub-groups per warm-up group). If the number of competitors is not equally divisible, the second sub-group to skate will contain one more competitor than the first sub-group.



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Competitors placing higher will be placed in the later of the two sub-groups within a warm-up group. Within each sub-group a random draw for start order will occur.

All competitors placed into all additional warm-up groups will be drawn randomly.

General for Draws for all Segments

The order of the draw between tied competitors will first be determined by a separate draw prior to the draw for starting order.

The starting order for the subsequent segment of an event is posted as soon as possible after the results from the previous segment are posted.

Exception to Draw for all Segments

If a competitor is participating in more than one event within a competition, and the schedule precludes their full participation, the technical representative of the competition has discretion to assign the competitor to a specific starting order in either the first or subsequent segment. This is to allow the competitor to fully participate in all of their events within the competition. When this discretion is used, every effort must be taken to place a competitor earlier in the event than they would have normally competed, based on the draw. In addition, the committee in charge of the competition is required to keep record of the affected start orders and rationale for application of this exception.

Draw for Dances to be Skated

The dances to be skated for Qualifying Events will be announced by Skate Canada annually.