

KICKLine Synchronized Skating Competition

Sunday, January 23, 2011



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Endorsement Number:

The Park District of Franklin Park invites your synchronized teams to our fourteenth annual Synchronized Team Skating *ONLY* competition. This competition is open to all ages in the synchronized team categories of Formation (drill) and Skating, and will be conducted in accordance with the Team Guidelines as published by the Ice Skating Institute. Please note **competition revisions as mandated by the ISI are effective January 1, 2010**. All teams are required to register annually with ISI headquarters and are given a number. This number is required on the entry form. All team members must be current individual members of the Ice Skating Institute. Since our ice time is limited, so is registration. Be sure to submit your entry form as soon as possible. **All entries that are late will be charged \$25.**

Entries must be received by December 29, 2010

\$13 per team member

Synchronized Skating Guidelines

The 2010 ISI Handbook states that forward marching steps are required in Forward Line requirement of the Synchronized Formation Compulsory event. The purpose of that maneuver requirement is to encourage good skating, therefore forward stroking is also allowed for that maneuver. Two-foot spins are allowed in all Formation team levels and programs - as long as the skaters stay on two feet.

Synchronized Formation: Groups of 8 to 24 skaters performing various formations such as pinwheels, circles, lines, blocks, etc., in a program to music (vocals acceptable). The program should consist of marching and basic skating skills, with a minimum of simple footwork, hops, or toe steps. The team should demonstrate a good knowledge of synchronized basics such as: unison, straight lines, and correct holds. Formation teams demonstrate synchronized basics using any forward skating steps, such as forward marching (not loud stomping), forward half swizzles or pumps, and backward skating on two feet only ó half swizzles. A two-foot turn must be used if two-foot backward skating is done, since a öMohawkö turn would be illegal. **Special Note:** Backward chasses, backward progressives, backward marching, backward cutbacks and backward crossovers and mohawks are all **illegal “one-foot”** backward skating moves. However, backward two-foot skating or öbackward pumpsö are permissible. Forward circles, forward spoke wheels, forward kick lines, forward blocks with simple steps, forward splicing and multiple circles are common elements. No lifts or rotation jumps are allowed. The penalty grade of 2.0 will be given under correctness for a team performing any illegal moves. Speed and extremely difficult maneuvers are not expected in this category. This is a good category for beginning skaters who have a minimum of skating skills. Props are not allowed in this event.

Synchronized Skating: Groups of 8 to 24 skaters who have already mastered the basics of good synchronized skating and are executing superior formations with speed, difficulty, and accuracy. The program to music (vocals acceptable), should contain synchronized moves along with edges, intricate footwork and a minimum of two-foot skating. There should be a minimum of stops (or pauses) because skaters should strive for continuous movement throughout the program with smooth transitions, and give the impression that it is done effortlessly. Small jumps or hops, technically difficult turns and connecting moves (i.e. brackets, choctaws, arabesques, Bauers, etc.) are encouraged. Skating teams use forward and backward skating steps such as chasses, progressives, and crossovers along with maneuvers such as backward splicing, backward eggbeaters, backward figure eight pass throughs, backward spoke wheels, blocks, lines or circles with intricate footwork. Unison, cleanness, and speed are expected. Credit should be given for difficult moves when performed well and to originality of the routine. Props are not allowed in this event. **Special Note:** A costume becomes a prop when it is detached or when it is detached and used by the hands. The penalty for using a handheld prop in this event is the grade of 2.0 under correctness-technical merit.

Age Requirements are determined as of July 1, 2010

Teams will be divided according to the ISI guidelines for Tots, Junior Youth, Youth, Senior Youth, Teen, and Adult. Teams that have skatersøages split evenly between age divisions, the team must compete in the higher age division. If registration warrants, the competition director may combine Youth and Senior Youth divisions and Adult and Master to enhance competition. The competition director may also sub-divide divisions by size: Small (8-14 skaters) and Large (15-24 skaters). The minimum number of skaters on a team is 8 and the maximum is 24. Teams have 30 seconds to enter and 30 seconds to exit the ice.

Tots majority of skaters / ages 6 and under
Youth majority of skaters / ages 9-11
Teen majority of skaters / ages 14-19

Junior Youth majority of skaters / ages 8 and under
Senior Youth majority of skaters / ages 12-14
Adult majority of skaters / ages 20-39 years
Master majority of skaters / ages 40+ years

Synchronized Skating and Synchronized Formation events . The 5 basic elements (Block, Circle, Line, Wheel and Intersection) will each be added in both events as a separate Judge Criteria score.

If more than one of the same elements is skated during the routine, as for all other ISI competition events, the best performance will be used as the element score and the additional elements will be scored under the %Technical Merit+ or Correctness+.

There are many variations of each element. The descriptions below are the minimum requirements. If performed well, adding features such as step sequences, changes of hold, changes of configuration, changes or rotation and traveling can increase the difficulty of the element.

Block: An element where skaters are arranged in a minimum of 3 lines. The lines may be a straight, diagonal, curved or circular pattern. The lines of skaters should be straight with all skaters evenly spaced.

Circle: The shape should be round with even spacing between the skaters. There should not be any visible pulling or tugging between skaters.

Line: The line can be skated in one straight line, parallel lines, diagonal lines, etc.

Wheel: An element where all of the skaters rotate around a common center point. It can be done in different formations including 2, 3, 4 and 5-spoke wheels and parallel wheels. All spokes of the wheel should be straight and the lean of the skaters should be in the same direction.

Intersection: Any element where one half of the team intersects the other half of the team. No backward spirals are allowed.

Synchronized Formation Compulsory events . Each element below is to be performed only one time in any order. If performed more than once, as per all other ISI competition events, the first performance will be scored. Extra elements can be performed but won't be judged. Vocal music is acceptable.

Forward Line . Must be performed in shoulder hold to cover at least half of the ice surface and consist only of forward strokes or marching.

Forward Circle . No change from the previous requirement description.

Forward Two-Spoke Wheel . No change from the previous requirement description.

Forward Block . Must be performed in shoulder hold covering at least half of the ice surface. Any forward skating steps may be performed; however, no additional moves such as arabesques, lunges, bunny hops, etc. are allowed.

Synchronized Skating Compulsory events . Each element below is to be performed only one time in any order. If performed more than once, as per all other ISI competition events, the first performance will be scored. Extra elements can be performed but won't be judged. Vocal music is acceptable.

Line . No change from the previous requirement description.

Footwork Block . A Block of at least three lines consisting of any skating steps and turns which covers the length of the ice. The block may change direction and changes of hold are also permitted.

Circle . No change from the previous requirement description.

Wheel . No change from the previous requirement description.

Intersection . Any intersection or combination of intersections in which one half of the team moves through the other half of the team. If multiple intersections are performed, they must be continuous. Team members may perform different steps.

Jumps, Spins, Lifts & Intersections:

Lifts are restricted to the teen skating events only. The lifting hand of the lifter(s) should not extend higher than their head(s).

Acrobatic lifts: moves in which the skater is only held by the blade(s), foot (feet), leg(s), arm(s) and swung around. Acrobatic lifts are not allowed. All lifts where the lifted skater(s) is in a totally vertical sustained position with the head down are considered an expression of acrobatics and therefore illegal. Assisted vaults or other lifts where the lifting skater is rotating around himself are allowed provided there is no sustained, totally vertical position with the head down. Backward spiral intersections are not allowed at any level.

Penalties:

2.0 under Correctness for Formation teams who do lifts or acrobatic moves.

2.0 under Technical Merit for Skating teams who do lifts, restricted lifts, backward spiral intersections or acrobatic moves.

Jumps (single rotation and below) are permitted at any level in the skating categories.

Axels are permitted in the Skating categories with less than half the team performing the jump at any time.

Spins are restricted to upright spins only in the Tot & all Youth (Junior Youth, Youth and Senior Youth) age groupings. Any spins are allowed at the Teen and Adult Skating levels.

No lifts or rotation jumps allowed at the Formation level.

No double or triple jumps are allowed at any level.

Competition Attire:

We strongly suggest teams use a method called sewing hair to secure hair for performances. Bobby pins are not allowed.

Costumes that alter the surface of the ice are not permitted. Items that fall from a costume would alter the surface of the ice. If the item that falls is picked up immediately after the performance no deduction will be given.

Penalties:

2.0 under Correctness/Technical Merit for teams that do not retrieve fallen items from the ice immediately after the performance.

Hotel Accommodations:

We have a rate of \$69+tax for rooms at the Four Points Sheraton for January 22, 23, 24, 2010. The shuttle can take you to the rink or airport and you can take the ðELö to downtown. The block of rooms is available under Kickline.

Four Points Sheraton Chicago / OøHare
10249 W. Irving Park Rd.
Schiller Park, IL 60176
T (847) 671-6000

KICKLine Competition Rules



Entry Forms must include each team member's name, age and ISI individual membership number.

Judging Criteria:

Formation ó correctness; duration; general overall; musical interpretation (includes meaning, rhythm, style); pattern and formations, unison, and the five basic elements (block, circle, line, wheel, and intersection)

Formation Compulsories ó maneuvers; unison; correctness; transitions; rhythm; duration and team presentation

Skating ó choreography-pattern (includes flow); duration; general overall; musical interpretation (includes meaning, rhythm, style); technical merit (includes difficulty, variety, correctness); unison, and the five basic elements (block, circle, line, wheel, and intersection)

Skating Compulsories ó maneuvers; unison; technical merit; transition; rhythm and duration.

Program times

Skating team duration changes:

Tots	2:00 (10 sec. leeway)
Jr. Youth	2:30 (10 sec. leeway)
Youth	3:00 (10 sec. leeway)
Sr. Youth	3:30 (10 sec. leeway)
Teen	4:30 (10 sec. leeway)
Adult	3:30 (10 sec. leeway)

Formation team duration changes:

Tots	3:00 (10 sec. leeway)
Jr. Youth	3:30 (10 sec. leeway)
Youth	3:30 (10 sec. leeway)
Sr. Youth	3:30 (10 sec. leeway)
Teen	4:00 (10 sec. leeway)
Adult	4:00 (10 sec. leeway)

Entering and exiting the ice should be done with simple, quick steps. Judging stops at ten (10) seconds over the prescribed program length. If a team skates over the prescribed time, a grade of 8.0 will be given for 11-14 seconds over, grade of 5.0 for 15+ seconds over. **Warm-ups** for each individual team will be given immediately prior to that individual team's performance.

Music will be accepted on CD-R disks only. Re-writable CDs (CD-RW) cannot be accepted. Music is to be submitted to the Front Desk at the time of arrival. Each CD should contain only one program and be clearly labeled with team's name, age grouping and division.

Awards will be given on ice for first through fifth place with each team member receiving an individual award.

Accounting Review Request must be made in writing and submitted by the Team Coach to the Chief Referee no later than one hour after the results have been posted. Only accounting review requests will be accepted. All accounting Review Requests must include an "Accounting Review Fee" of \$50, which will be refunded, should the review be upheld. The Chief Referee's decision will be final.

Facilities/Locker Rooms:

The ice arena's main surface is 200' x 85' with slightly rounded corners. There is a concession stand on the premises. Parking is limited, so teams are encouraged to car pool or to travel by bus. All teams should arrive dressed and ready to skate. Locker room assignments will be mailed with the competition schedule. Teams may be sharing locker rooms, so time in the assigned locker rooms will be limited. Please review in advance and abide by the locker room schedule. Teams will enter and exit the ice directly from the locker room hallway. Teams can then sit in bleacher Sections E-F until the awards are presented. Blade guards will be necessary as the bleacher area flooring is concrete.

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Please complete both sides of this registration form.

ISI Team # _____

Team Name _____ # of skater's _____

Home Rink _____ Coach's name _____

Rink address _____ Coach's address _____

City _____ City _____

Rink telephone # _____ Zip _____ Coach's phone _____ Zip _____

Rink's email address: _____ Coach's email address: _____

Place a check mark by the age & division in which you will compete. Age requirements as of July 1, 2010.

Tots

Junior Youth

Youth

Senior Youth

Teen

Adult

FORMATION (Drill)

FORMATION Compulsories

SKATING

SKATING Compulsories

The entry fee is \$13 per team member. Please send one check per team, made payable to Park District of Franklin Park. Entries are due December 29, 2010. Since enrollment is limited due to ice time constraints, you should register as early as possible. Entries received after December 29, 2010 will be accepted at the discretion of the competition director. There will be no refunds. All entries that are late will be charged \$25.00.

Are any of your skaters an active USFS member who has competed at or above the Novice level at any USFS National Championship within the last two years? YES NO If yes, name of skater(s)

I skate at this competition at my own risk and hereby release ISI, the host facility(ies), and their officers, directors, officials and personnel from all liability. I declare that the home rink listed is the true rink/club/school that I wish to represent. Upon entering this competition, I hereby agree that any photographs or video taken of me, by ISI or any authorized party, may be used exclusively for any purpose by the ISI or any other use authorized by the ISI. I declare that the information above is true, and that all skater's have current individual membership with ISI, and I have notified all team embers that they skate at their own risk, and hereby release ISI, the host facilities, and their officers, directors, officials and personnel from all liability.

Amount: \$13 X _____ Skaters = \$ _____

Signature & associate # of coach

Please complete the team roster on the reverse side.

Return this registration form, along with your payment, by December 29, 2010 to:

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9711 W. Waveland Avenue
Franklin Park, IL 60131



All entries that are late will be charged \$25.

Office Use: Registered by: _____, Date: _____

Amount: _____ Check # _____ Charge# _____

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Synchronized Skating/Formation Team Roster

Skater's name	Age 07/01/10	I.S.I. membership #
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Judges Inquiry Form

Coaches: *Please complete this form and return it along with your registration form or fax it to 847-671-4755. All judges must pass the 2010 ISI Synchronized Certification Test. The test is available online at: www.skateisi.org Thank you.*

Name _____

Telephone # _____

Home Rink _____

I coach the _____ team that will
compete in the _____ division.

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Please answer the following questions:

ISI Judge Certification Level _____

Have you ever judged Synchronized Formation/Skating at any ISI competition? ____Yes ____No

Which division(s) are you qualified to judge? ____Formation ____Skating