



**The Pettit National Ice Center Presents:
The 2012 Snow Crystal Invitational
Basic Skills Competition**
500 S. 84th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53214

Sunday, February 26th, 2012

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

This co-ed competition is approved by US Figure Skating and will follow the USFS Skate With U.S. guidelines.

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Basic Skills 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 Basic Skills Program/Club or any other Basic Skills Program/Club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All SNOWPLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS SKATERS THROUGH BASIC 8 must skate at highest level passed and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or individual dances.

For the Test Track and Well Balanced levels, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed (moves in the field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

ENTRIES AND FEES – All entries must be postmarked no later than January 20th, 2012 and are limited to the first 200 applications received. Entries may be faxed, post marked or dropped off until January 20th, 2012. Late entries will be accepted only if the limit has not been reached, at the discretion of the organizers. A \$15 late fee will be charged. Entry fees are per person, US dollars. The first event is \$50 and each additional event is \$15. NO refunds after closing date, unless an event is canceled by the Pettit Center. There will be a \$30 fee for returned checks.

AWARDS – Everyone will receive an award. All events will be final rounds. ALL awards will be presented at the competition upon conclusion of final scoring for each event.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS and PRACTICE ICE – A competition and practice ice schedule will be posted on the Pettit Center website (www.thepettit.com) no later than February 17th, 2012. Both schedules will also be emailed to competitors and/or their parents/guardians if email address is provided on entry form.

MUSIC – The music must be provided on CD. No CD-RW's please. CDs should be clearly marked with the name of the skater, event entered, length of music, and turned in to the registration table. Time duration is always +/- 10 seconds. A duplicate CD should be readily available with your coach when you are competing. **Please pick up your CD from the registration table following your event.**

VIDEO TAPING AND PHOTOGRAPHS - TBD

T-SHIRT – A long sleeve Snow Crystal T-shirt is available for purchase and must be pre-ordered with your registration. Please make additional copies as needed.

Mission Statement for Series: To give Wisconsin skaters a chance to develop their USFS Basic Skills in a fun, competitive environment.

Skaters will have the chance to compete at nine different clubs & arenas and earn points for a final standing. Awards will be presented to skaters with the highest point totals when they compete in at least two out of the nine scheduled events. These awards will take place at the *SCIS* competition on October 10, 2010, in Beaver Dam.

Wisconsin Basic Skills Series Point System

The Free Skate and Compulsory/Elements events in each of the Series Competitions will be eligible for accumulating points. Each event will have a maximum of 6 skaters. The system for scoring points for the final award will be as follows:

Place	Points
1	6
2	5
3	4
4	3
5	2
6	1

If an event has 2-6 skaters, the points will be awarded as if 6 skaters were in the group. If only one skater is in the group, that skater will be awarded 3 points. Points are accumulated for Compulsory and Freeskate events separately.

A skater may participate in either the element/compulsory events and/or freeskating events in any Wisconsin Basic Skills Series competitions to be eligible for accumulating points.

All skaters who participate in at least 2 of the 9 competitions in the following events:

- Basic Skills Elements Event
- Basic Skills Program Event
- Test Track Compulsory Event
- Test Track Free Skate Program Event
- Well Balanced Compulsory Event
- Well-balanced Free Skate Program Event

will be eligible to win an award with an overall total of points. Medals will be awarded (1-3 place) at each level. Jumps, Spins, Dance, Pairs, Artistic, Adult and Synchronized Team events will NOT earn points in the Series. *Skaters moving to the next level during the Series will take their points with them.*



BASIC SKILLS SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8 ELEMENTS EVENT (NO MUSIC):

Format: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee. All skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on.

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- No music
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed**
- Time: 1:00 or less

<p><u>Snowplow Sam:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3 in a row 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row 	<p><u>Basic 5:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counterclockwise 2. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive - both directions 3. Basic one foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum three revolutions 4. Side toe hop -either direction 5. Hockey stop
<p><u>Basic 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 6-8 in a row 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row 	<p><u>Basic 6:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three-turn - R & L 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward spiral on a straight line - R or L 4. Lunge - R or L 5. T-stop - R or L
<p><u>Basic 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide - either foot 2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – 2-3 each foot 3. Moving snowplow stop 4. Two foot turn in place- forward to backward 5. Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row 	<p><u>Basic 7:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R 2. Ballet Jump - either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
<p><u>Basic 3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive 3. Backward one foot glide - either foot 4. Forward slalom 5. Two foot spin – minimum three revolutions 	<p><u>Basic 8:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns R & L 2. Waltz jump 3. Mazurka - either direction 4. 1 Combination move - clockwise <u>or</u> counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin – free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position -minimum three revolutions
<p><u>Basic 4</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward outside three-turn - R & L 2. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise 3. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions 4. Backward stroking - 4-6 strokes 5. Backward snowplow stop - R or L 	

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BASIC SKILLS SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8 PROGRAM EVENT (MUSIC):

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. Vocal music is allowed.

- To be skated on full ice
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:00 +/- 10 seconds

<p><u>Snowplow Sam:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3-in a row 3. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 5:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive in both directions 2. Basic one-foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg - minimum three revolutions 3. Side toe hop -either direction 4. Hockey stop
<p><u>Basic 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 6 -8 in a row 3. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 6:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three-turn - R & L 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward arabesque spiral on a straight line R or L 4. Lunge - R or L 5. T-stop - R or L
<p><u>Basic 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide - either foot 2. Two foot turn in place- forward to backward 3. Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row 4. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – 2-3 each foot 5. Moving snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 7:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R 2. Ballet Jump- either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
<p><u>Basic 3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, Either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive 3. Backward one foot glide – either foot 4. Forward slalom 5. Two foot spin – minimum three revolutions 	<p><u>Basic 8:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns R & L 2. Waltz jump 3. Mazurka in either direction 4. 1 Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise - two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin - free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position -minimum three revolutions
<p><u>Basic 4</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions 2. Standstill forward outside three- turn – R & L 3. Backward stroking - 4-6 strokes 4. Backward snowplow stop - R or L 	

Beyond the Basics:

Compulsory Event - Test Track and Well Balanced Levels (no music)

Format: In simple 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 any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:15 or less
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Limited Beginner Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waltz jump 2. ½ jump of choice 3. Forward two foot or one foot spin, minimum three revolutions (free leg position optional) 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	Time: 1:15
Beginner Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Toe loop jump 2. Salchow jump 3. Forward scratch spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	Time:1:15
No Test Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loop jump 2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel) 3. Solo spin- sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests, no official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests passed	Time:1:15
Pre-Preliminary Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flip jump 2. Jump combination waltz jump/toe loop jump OR Salchow/toe loop jump 3. Solo spin- sit <u>or</u> camel spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test	Time :1:15
Preliminary Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lutz jump 2. Single jump combination (may not use Lutz jump or Axel) 3. Camel spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test	Time :1:15

Beyond the Basics: Test Track Free Skate Program Requirements (music)

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but **NOT** both during the same nonqualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted. The 6.0 judging system will be used for all Test Track events.

Deductions **WILL** be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from EACH mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra or lacking element.
- 0.1 for any spin with less than required revolutions.

LEVEL	JUMP ELEMENTS	SPINS	STEPS	QUALIFICATIONS
Limited Beginner Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<i>Max 5 jump elements:</i> Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front). <i>Max 2 jump sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same jump</i>	<i>Max 2 spins:</i> Two upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
Beginner Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<i>Max 5 jump elements:</i> Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only. <i>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 2 spins:</i> Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests
Pre-Preliminary Test Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<i>Max 5 jump elements:</i> Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop) Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and loop only. <i>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 2 spins:</i> Two spins of a different nature, one position only, no change of foot, no flying entry. (Min 3 revolutions)	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test
Preliminary Test Time: 1:30 +/- 10	<i>Max 5 jump elements:</i> Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels). <i>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</i> <i>Max 2 of any same type jump</i>	<i>Max 2 spins:</i> One spin in one position, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min 3 revs) and One consisting of a front scratch to back scratch, exit on spinning foot not mandatory (Min 3 revs on each foot).	Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test

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Beyond the Basics: Well-Balanced Free Skate Program Requirements (music)

(U.S. Figure Skating rulebook requirements)

LEVEL	Jump Elements	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
No Test 1:00-1:30 +/-10	Max 5 Single Jumps (no Axel) Max 2 combos or sequences. Combos limited to 2 jumps Number of jumps in sequence is not limited.	Max 2 Spins must be a different nature. Minimum three revolutions each. Spins may change feet, position and start with a fly.	Max 1 Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	May <u>not</u> have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.
Pre-preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Max 5 Single Jumps (Axel permitted) Max 2 combos or sequences. Combos limited to 2 jumps Number of jumps in sequence is not limited. Axel may be repeated as individual jump, combo, or sequence. Max 2 Axels.	Max 2 Spins must be a different nature. Minimum three revolutions each. Spins may change feet, position and start with a fly.	Max 1 Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-preliminary free skate test.
Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Max 5 1 Axel or Waltz jump type jump Max 2 combos or sequences. Combos limited to 2 jumps Number of jumps in sequence is not limited. Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (double Salchow, toe or loop only) Axel and no more than 2 different double jumps may be repeated as individual jumps, combos, or in sequences. Max of 2 Axels or any double jump.	Max 2 Spins must be a different nature. Minimum three revolutions each. Spins may change feet, position and start with a fly.	Max 1 Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test.

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Additional Event:

HOCKEY SKILLS 1-5 ELEMENTS (no music)

Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee. Format choice: All skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on.

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice

<p>Hockey 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Moving dip or squatB. Forward swizzles- 4 to 6 in a rowC. Snowplow stop	<p>Hockey 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Forward one-foot glide- Right foot upB. Backward swizzles- 4 to 6 in a rowC. Glide turn to LEFT (counterclockwise)
<p>Hockey 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Forward C-Cuts (1/2 swizzle pumps) on a circle – clockwise (with Left foot)B. Forward stop and starts- 3 timesC. Backward V-stop	<p>Hockey 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Forward crossovers - clockwise (left over right)B. Backward one foot glide, - right foot upC. Hockey stop
<p>Hockey 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Backward crossovers – clockwise (right over left)B. One foot glide/hockey turn – RIGHT inside edge (counterclockwise)C. Moving mohawk – right to left	

Additional Event:

ADULT FREE SKATE PROGRAM: Adult 1-4, Pre-Bronze and Bronze (music)

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
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time 1:30+/-10sec unless otherwise noted

Adult 1 A. Backward swizzles B. Forward one-foot glides, one time skater's height: R & L C. Two-foot turns D. Snowplow stops: R or L E. Forward curves on two feet	Adult 2 A. Forward stroking B. Forward crossovers, clockwise and counter clockwise C. Backward one-foot glide: R or L D. Forward pivot E. Forward Chasses on a circle
Adult 3 A. Backward crossovers, clockwise and counter clockwise B. Inside Mohawk, either direction C. Backward snowplow stops: R and L D. Forward progressives E. Beginning two-foot spin	Adult 4 A. Forward three turns, outside or inside: R & L B. Alternate backward crossovers with two-foot transition C. Footwork sequence: 3-5 forward crossovers to an inside Mohawk; 3-5 backward crossovers; step forward inside the circle D. Power three turns: one direction only E. Backward Chasses on a circle
Adult Pre-Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult pre-bronze free skate test or pre-pre free skate test. Time: 1:40 max Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #3806 for specific requirements	Adult Bronze: Must have passed no higher than adult bronze free skate test or the preliminary free skate test. Time: 1:50 max Refer to the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook #3801 for specific requirements

2012 Snow Crystal Basic Skills Competition Certification of Competitor

The Competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family holds the Pettit National Ice Center and it's representatives, harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Instructor/Coach Signature : _____ Date: _____

If you'd like to judge, please call us at 414.935.4779

Program Director/Club Officer : _____ Date: _____

COMPETITOR SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELED OR A MEDICAL EXCUSE IS PROVIDED.

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