



2021 TOYOTA U.S. FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT | as of Dec. 22

Jan. 12-21, 2021

Las Vegas, NV

www.2021uschampionships.com

The 2021 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be held in Las Vegas, NV., January 12-21, 2021. The U.S. Championships are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted in accordance with the rules of U.S. Figure Skating as written in the [2020/21 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#) and as adjusted by the Competitions Committee this season due to COVID-19. All events will be judged using the international judging system (IS).

OFFICIAL SCHEDULE

All information for athletes, coaches, chaperones (if applicable) and officials will be posted and updated when applicable at www.2021uschampionships.com. Please be aware that all posted information including the schedule is subject to change. In addition to being posted online, the final schedule will be available for all athletes and coaches via [EMS](#).

OFFICIAL VENUE

Orleans Arena – Gate B Entrance

4500 W. Tropicana Blvd.

Las Vegas, NV 89103

www.orleansarena.com

The Orleans Arena, home to 2019 and 2020 Skate America, is a one sheet (NHL) 7,500 seat facility and will host all official practice and competitions for both junior and senior levels. Due to the approved event bubble requirements approved by the Nevada Gaming Control Board, no spectators will be allowed in the facility.



OFFICIAL HOTEL | ORLEANS HOTEL – 4500 W. Tropicana Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89103

Due to the approved "event bubble" plan, all participants are required to stay at the Orleans Hotel. Only approved persons will be permitted. No extended friends or families will be permitted. All persons are required to book a single room with the only exceptions being athletes and approved chaperones are required to room together and two participants attending in an approved role that live in the same household currently will be allowed to share a hotel room at the event (i.e., spouses/partners/roommates that currently live together, etc.)

Weekday (Sun.-Thurs.) Event Rate: \$45/room/night plus taxes and \$5/day resort fee/plus taxes*

Weekend (Fri. & Sat.) event rate: \$95/room/night plus taxes and \$5/day resort fee/plus taxes*

**Resort fee includes basic wi-fi and mini fridge in each room.*

HOUSING BOOKING PORTAL: [HTTPS://BOOK.PASSKEY.COM/EVENT/50158869/OWNER/32048/HOME](https://book.passkey.com/event/50158869/owner/32048/home)

Payment: One-night room rate (plus resort fee/taxes) will be charged to your credit card at the time of your booking. The remaining balance will be charged to your credit card on your check-in date, along with an automatic \$100 incidental charge to turn on available room charges and cover any damages. Any portion of the \$100 incidental charge not used will be refunded after your check-out.

Check-Out: The hotel's check-out time is noon. Late check-outs may be requested at event orientation upon arrival with the exception of Jan. 18 (there will be no late check-outs available on this day). Fees may apply.

COMPOSITION OF EVENTS

Singles Events	Pairs Events	Ice Dance Events
Senior Ladies and Men (SP/FS)	Senior Pairs (SP/FS)	Senior Dance (RD/FD)
Junior Ladies and Men (SP/FS)	Junior Pairs (SP/FS)	Junior Dance (RD/FD)

QUALIFIERS

For the 2021 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships the following revised process was implemented due to COVID-19 and replace rules 2500-2505 and Bye Rules 2510-2512 as published in the [2020/2021 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#). Rule 2513 (Medical Byes) is still in effect.

SENIOR

- Athletes who placed in the top-five (5) in the same event at the 2020 U.S. Figure Skating Championships will receive an automatic bye to the 2021 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships per rule 2501 (B)(2)(a).
- The top four (4) scores from U.S. Figure Skating's International Selection Pool (ISP) Points Challenge (less the top 5 byes listed above) will receive a bye.
- The top scores (Sr. Ladies (9), Sr. Men (9), Sr. Pairs (6) from the 2021 U.S. Figure Skating Championship Senior Virtual Series presented by Toyota (less byes/ISP Points Challenge) will advance to fill out the entries to the maximum as listed below.

Senior Ladies – 18 max.

Senior Men – 18 max.

Senior Pairs – 12 (teams) max.

Senior Ice Dance – 15 (teams) max.

JUNIOR

The top scores (Jr. Ladies (12), Jr. Men (12), Jr. Pairs (8), Jr. Dance (10) from the 2021 U.S. Figure Skating Championship Junior Virtual Series will advance to the 2021 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

Junior Ladies – 12 max.

Junior Men – 12 max.

Junior Pairs – 8 (teams) max.

Junior Ice Dance – 10 (teams) max.

ALTERNATES (Rules 2521-2524 are not applicable this season due to COVID-19)

For the 2021 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships the following alternate rules are in effect and in replacement of Rules 2521-2524 as published in the [2020/2021 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

Senior

There are no alternates for the championship level (senior events).

Junior

Alternates for the junior events are designated as follows:

A. Junior singles skaters placing 13th and 14th in the virtual competition will be designated as first and second alternates to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

B. Junior pairs teams placing 9th and 10th in the virtual competition will be designated as first and second alternates to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

C. Junior ice dance teams placing 11th and 12th in the virtual competition will be designated as first and second alternates to the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

Junior alternates as identified above should continue to train and will be invited to replace an official withdraw athlete/team up to 10 days prior (Jan. 8, 2021) to the start of the bubble at the U.S. Championships.

EVENT CHECKLIST

MANDATORY FORMS

Athletes/Chaperones:

- Event Requirements/Code of Conduct: <https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/eyjcr4knrd/index.html>
 - o **Deadline: Dec. 31**
 - o *one form required for each athlete (i.e. teams must complete separately)
- Program Details: <https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/4cdehlaivn/index.html>
 - o **Deadline: Dec. 26**
 - o only one form required per entry (i.e. one form for each ice dance and pair team)

Coaches:

- Event Requirements/Code of Conduct: <https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/o16qblg2bh/index.html>
 - o **Deadline: Dec. 31**

BOOK YOUR HOTEL ROOM | DEADLINE: DEC. 29

If you need assistance, email Terri Herron at therron@usfigureskating.org.

UPDATE U.S. FIGURE SKATING "MY PROFILE" VIA MEMBERS ONLY | DEADLINE: DEC. 26

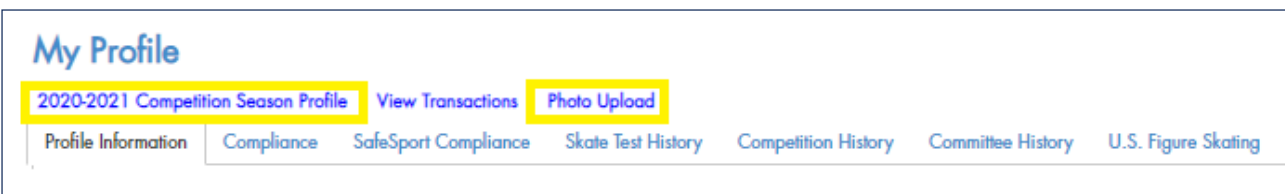
Chaperones: if you do not have a U.S. Figure Skating membership, you must create a [Non-Member Account](#).

2020-2021 Competition Season Profile

- Waivers
 - o In many cases, these were completed during your initial registration or compliance renewal. This is also a requirement for partners who did not complete registration and chaperones.
- Medical Registry
 - o Required by all attendees (athletes, coaches, chaperones and coaches).
 - *Reminder: use of Healthy Roster will be begin on Dec. 28 for SR, Jan. 4 for JR*
- Media/School Information
 - o **Required by athletes only!**

Accreditation Photo Upload

- All attendees (skaters, coaches and chaperones) are required to upload their photos in advance of the competition. Click [here](#) for additional information on this process.



EVENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS) | DEADLINE: JAN. 2

Update [My Coaches](#)

Upload [Music & Copyright Information](#)

Submit [Planned Program Content](#)

ON DECK – MEAL ORDER PROCESS, PCR TEST REGISTRATION, CHAPERONE CONSENT FORMS

Details will be shared via email.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL EVENTS@USFIGURESKATING.ORG

AIRPORTS

McCarran (Las Vegas) International Airport (LAS) is located approximately 15-minute drive to the official hotel.

LOCAL GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Airport to Event Bubble

All athletes, coaches and chaperones are responsible for arranging their own ground transportation from the Las Vegas airport. **IMPORTANT:** All persons must enter the event bubble at the Orleans Arena – Gate B entrance. Please do not enter the hotel first as you are required to enter at the arena and your hotel check-in process will take place at the arena.

COACH & CHAPERONE POLICIES

COACH CREDENTIALS

Due to the event requirements this year, only one coach per entry will be accredited for the 2021 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships. The designated coach is required to adhere to all Health & Safety and event requirements including the hotel requirement and meal program. Failure to comply may lead to immediate removal from the Championships.

To be eligible for a coach credential, the coach must be a member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating, Professional Skaters Association (PSA) as well as having successfully completed PSA CER requirements and the coach registration process at time of credentialing.

CHAPERONE CREDENTIALS

U.S. Figure Skating encourages all minor athletes (17 and under) to attend the Championships with a chaperone which is defined as a parent or legal guardian. No chaperones will be permitted for athletes 18 and older. Additionally, we have the following policies in place:

- Attending chaperones are required to room with their athlete and participate in the mandatory meal program.
- All athletes under the age of 15 MUST have a chaperone attend the Championships with them. No exceptions!
- Athletes ages 15 – 17 are permitted to attend the Championships without a chaperone however their parent/legal guardian must provide a Consent Form in advance of the event. This form will be distributed via email after the holidays.
- If there is a minor on a pairs/ice dance teams, one chaperone may be designated for the team however a Consent Form will be required in advance of the event for the minor athlete.

ATHLETE, COACH AND CHAPERONE SEATING

All accredited participants in the bubble will be allowed to watch practices and competition from dedicated viewing suites. No general seating in the lower bowl will be allowed under the COVID-19 protocols. Designated suites by discipline/role are the only viewing options available. Look for signage onsite directing all to the approved suites. Chaperones will enter at all times through Gate C of the arena and use the elevator to access the suites.

ANTI-DOPING

The United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) will conduct in-competition drug testing for **Senior level events only**. Drug testing will be conducted at the Orleans Arena following the free skate for each senior competition. Testing will be performed on the champion in each discipline. For pairs and ice dance, the lady or the man will be tested but not both. In addition, a random athlete from each discipline will be tested.

Following the completion of each senior event, and before leaving the arena, each competitor in that event must check at the USADA testing room for the list of skaters selected for testing. Any competitor who is in a Registered Testing Pool for

USADA or the International Skating Union (ISU) may be tested at ANY time during the competition, including immediately following a practice session.

All testing will adhere to the protocols and guidelines established by USADA and the International Skating Union (ISU). Detection of any prohibited substances will lead to penalties or sanctions as determined by the ISU. Questions regarding prohibited substances, drug testing or the safety of any particular medication, drug or dietary supplement should be directed to the USADA at www.usada.org or (800) 233-0393.

VIDEO SERVICES

U.S. Figure Skating is the official video service provider for the 2021 TOYOTA U.S. Figure Skating Championships. U.S. Figure Skating is the only authorized provider of video sales of individual performances from the Championships. No other arrangements may be made for recording of any of the performances. The entire competition will be recorded. Videotaping or other recording of performances by individuals will not be permitted. All orders for the 2021 TOYOTA U.S. Figure Skating Championships must be placed online at <http://usfigureskatingdigital.com/>

AWARDS

Due to COVID-19, all awards will take place off the ice. The traditional awards will still be presented including U.S. Figure Skating Championship trophies to the winners of each event. Medals and Radix pins will be awarded to the top four place-winners.

DRAWS

The initial draw schedule will be posted on www.2021uschampionships.com. Draws will be done via zoom meetings for the safety of all. Each of the draws for the 2021 TOYOTA U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be conducted in accordance with the [2020/21 U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#) and by the specific event's referee and accountant.

SKATING SPECTACULAR

The Skating Spectacular will be held on Sunday, Jan. 17, 2021. Due to the split schedule this year the Spectacular will feature senior athletes only. The Champions of each discipline and additional athletes by invite will be confirmed by U.S. Figure Skating.

All senior competitors should come prepared with exhibition music and costumes. Exhibition practice will be provided on Sunday, Jan. 17.

UNOFFICIAL/ADDITIONAL PRACTICE ICE

Due to COVID-19 and the implementation of the "Event Bubble" no additional practice ice options will be available other than what is offered on the final event schedule.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the 2021 TOYOTA U.S. Figure Skating Championships can be directed to events@usfigureskating.org and/or Sam Auxier, Chief Referee at: seaskate@gmail.com