



Technical Notification 322

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Re: Championship Track Singles Competition Rule Updates for 2026-27

Implementation date: March 3, 2026

The Athletes Advisory Committee, Coaches Council, Competitions Committee, Domestic Officials Committee, Singles Development & Technical Committee, and the U.S. Figure Skating Board of Directors have approved changes for the 2026-27 season for singles:

1. Reducing the number of jump elements for novice women and men on the Championship Track from 7 to 6
2. Implementing maximum ages on the Championship Track for pre-juvenile and preliminary girls and boys

Changes apply to the Championship track only. For Excel requirements, please visit the [Excel Rules & Resources](#) page on the U.S. Figure Skating website.

Please see below for specific rule language:

6093 The free skate elements will consist of the following number of elements (note: current and future season requirements can be found on usfigureskating.org):

C. Novice free skate consists of a maximum of 11 10 elements (max 7 6 jump elements, max 3 spins, max 1 sequence)

6400 Singles Test Qualifications and Age Requirements

For test qualifications for qualifying competitions, see the National Qualifying Series Athlete Handbook. Test qualifications for nonqualifying events must be met by closing date of entries.

Competitive Level	Age Requirements
Pre-Preliminary	None
Preliminary	None <u>Age as of the July 1 that immediately precedes the relevant competition:</u> <u>12 years of age or younger for girls</u> <u>13 years of age or younger for boys</u>
Pre-Juvenile	None <u>Age as of the July 1 that immediately precedes the relevant competition:</u> <u>12 years of age or younger for girls</u> <u>13 years of age or younger for boys</u>

Competitive Level	Age Requirements
Juvenile	Age as of the July 1 that immediately precedes the relevant competition: 12 years of age or younger for girls 13 years of age or younger for boys
Intermediate	Age as of the July 1 that immediately precedes the relevant competition: Under age 18
Novice	None
Junior	None
Senior	None