



## ***Technical Notification 322***

**Dated: December 18, 2025**

**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](http://usfigureskating.org)):

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C. Novice free skate consists of a maximum of 44 10 elements (max 7 6 jump elements, max 3 spins, max 1 sequence)

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### **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.

<b>Competitive Level</b>	<b>Age Requirements</b>
Pre-Preliminary	None
Preliminary	<del>None</del> <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	<del>None</del> <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>

<b>Competitive Level</b>	<b>Age Requirements</b>
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