



2022

Miami Open Championship

July 8 – 10, 2022

Featuring IJS (Pre-Preliminary to Senior), Excel, & Compete USA Events

Compete USA Competition July 10, 2022

Hosted by the

Miami Figure Skating Club

[Website: miamifsc.com](http://miamifsc.com)

Kendall Ice Arena
10355 Hammocks Blvd
Miami, Florida 33196

The 2022 Miami Open Championship will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules, and who are currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. citizens.

ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

Eligibility: The competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated, or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules and is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club in accordance with the current rulebook.

Test Level: Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate two levels above that for which they qualify (as stated in Technical Notification #250, exception due to testing difficulty during pandemic), but they may not skate down in any event. A skater may not compete in same Excel and Well-Balanced events. In case skater is interested in registering two levels higher than test level, please contact Competition Chair before signing up through Entryeze.

Age restrictions/requirements: Singles free skate events (well-balanced program) have the following requirements:

Juvenile: Girls – 12 years or younger; Boys – 13 years or younger
Open Juvenile: Girls – 13 years or older; Boys – 14 years or older
Intermediate must be under the age of 18
Adults must be 21 years or older

Skaters entering Pre-Juvenile and lower events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

COMPETE USA ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

Eligibility: This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated, or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules and is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club in accordance with the current rulebook.

ADULT 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 two levels higher (Technical Notification #250), but not different levels in the same event during the same competition. Skaters may not compete at more than one level in the same type of event at the same competition. Skaters can be divided by age in all divisions. All events are separate, and there will be no final rounds.

Age classes for all free skate, dramatic entertainment, and light entertainment events in case dividing is required:

- Young Adult: 18 years through 20 years
- Class I: 21 years through 35 years
- Class II: 36 years through 45 years
- Class III: 46 years through 55 years
- Class IV: 56 years through 65 years
- Class V: 66 years and older

All age classes may be divided or combined depending on the number of entries and at the discretion of the Chief Referee and/or the competition committee. Men and ladies can be combined in Adult 1 through adult bronze free skate events (based on the Adult Competition Series rules), and all levels of compulsory moves, solo dance, solo free dance, jumps, spins, and dramatic/light entertainment events.

Men and ladies will not be combined in adult silver and higher free skate events. Athletes in adult silver and higher free skate events with no competitor of the same gender in another age class will be offered the opportunity to skate an exhibition for first place, skate up to the next higher level (if this provides a competitor) or be issued a refund. The Chief Referee reserves the right to request proof of age.

GROUP SPLITTING:

If there are more than 24 entries per event, final rounds will be held in accordance with Rule 2460.

Governing Council:

We will implement requirement changes approved at the May 2022 [U.S. Figure Skating Governing Council](#). Please check our website and the U.S. Figure Skating website and Technical Notifications page for updates.

COMPETITION REGISTRATION:

Entries will be accepted via Entryeze.com with credit card only. Each transaction will include credit card fee. You can also access the registrations through the Miami Figure Skating Club website miamifsc.com, by clicking the link under 2022 Miami Open, or by choosing the logo of 2022 Miami Open Championship from the offered Entryeze competitions.

Registration Deadline: Online registration opens on May 1, 2022 at 8:00 am ET and Closes on June 8, 2022 at 11:59ET. Late entries will be subject to the approval of the Registrar and Chief Referee and will be assessed a late entry fee. Of \$30.00.

Skaters wishing to register for the competition will need their U.S. Figure Skating or LTS member number, be current members in good standing.

FOREIGN SKATERS:

Non-U.S. skaters intending to register for this competition must set up a non-member account prior to registering for the competition and provide certificate of good standing from their national federation. This can be done by choosing the "Create Account (Non-Member)" option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

SCHEDULE: Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held at Kendall Ice Arena, 10355 Hammocks Blvd, Miami, FL 33196, 305-386-8288, kendallicearena.com. Two NHL sized rinks.

ENTRYEEZE MUSIC UPLOAD:

Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to Entryeze.com no later than July 1, 2022 at 11:59 pm ET. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a \$20 late fee. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who does not meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

All music must meet the following criteria. If you have questions about what format you have, please contact your coach, and get a new version of your music that meets the criteria listed below.

MUSIC CRITERIA:

- File Format: MP3
- Bit Rate: 192 kbps or higher and Sample Rate: 44,100 kHz
- This will be verified by the music chair and they may request you upload a corrected file.
- Leaders and trailers (the silence or "dead space" before and after the actual start and end of the program music) may not exceed two (2) seconds. We prefer that there be NO leaders or trailers at all. Excessive leaders and trailers may disrupt the playing of the music during competition.

Competitors must also bring a copy of their competition music on CD as a backup in case of technical difficulties and must be available rink side during the competition. Only CDs (standard CD-R format only) will be accepted for backups and must be clearly marked with the competitor's name, event, and running time.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC)

Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in Entryeze.com no later than **July 1, 2022 at 11.59 pm ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in Entryeze.com and subject to a **\$15 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who does not meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating Miami FSC, and Kendall Ice Arena accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

ONSITE CHECK-IN: Check-in will open on July 8, 2022. Registration will open one (1) hour prior to the first event scheduled on each day July 8-10, 2022, and run through the last event of each day. Please register/check in promptly upon arrival. Allowed arrival times will not be included into the event schedule, but skaters should arrive an hour before their event.

All skaters are also required to sign the required waivers by U.S. Figure Skating.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

Locker rooms will be available at the competition. Locker rooms and changing areas at U.S. Figure Skating competitive events are for athletes only, will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made for athletes 11 years old and younger that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SafeSport Handbook (both found on the [U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport](#) page).

The use of any recording and photographic devices inside a locker room or changing area is strictly prohibited. Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SafeSport Handbook (both found on the U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport page, also, locker room policy. Any violation of this policy is punishable under the U.S. Figure Skating SafeSport policy and U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. All locker rooms will be monitored. If any concerns arise, immediately contact the monitor on duty. If there are any concerns regarding this policy, an athlete should change prior to arriving at the competition.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice will be available during the designated times throughout the competition. The cost of reserved practice ice (available for pre purchase at the time of registration through Entryeze is \$20.00 per 20-minute session. Skaters who reserve practice ice will have a selection period of one week in which to choose their sessions (maximum 2). This will be followed by open sales for any remaining practices at cost of \$25.00 for walk up sessions. No refunds will be granted for unused practice ice. Skaters who are more than five (5) minutes late to the session may forfeit their slot. No music may be played on practice sessions. Use of personal devices and ear plugs is strictly forbidden. For additional information regarding practice ice offerings,

visit entryeze.com and miamifsc.com.

PHOTO/VIDEO: Professional video services will be provided during the competition. Online purchasing and delivery will be the only offered method. Only music events will be videoed live and pre-order will be available via a link provided on miamifsc.com. Professional photography or video services by other sources are not allowed without the written permission of the Miami FSC and Kendall Ice Arena.

For the safety and welfare of the skater, photography and videography will be permitted in the stands only and is restricted to hand-held battery-operated equipment (no tripods). Flash photography is strictly prohibited while the competitors are performing. No one will be permitted to obstruct the view of other seated spectators by standing in front of or hanging over the Plexiglas barriers or to film at alternative ice entrances. In order to comply with local fire safety codes, all isles within the stands must also remain clear. Non-compliance with this policy or refusal to comply immediately with requests from event officials will result in the violator being escorted out of the rink.

Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited. More information can be found from Basic Ice Usage and Skater Etiquette Information document; Club Resource section of Member's Only/USFS website.

AWARDS: Start orders and results will be posted online only. A Link for live results and start orders will be added to the miamifsc.com website under 2022 Miami Open Championships.

OPEN: Medals will be presented to 1st through 4th place winners in each competition event. Partnered events will receive a medal for each participant.

COMPETE USA EVENTS: All participants will receive a medal.

FINAL ROUNDS:

Final rounds for Juvenile and Intermediate will occur on Sunday August 10th. Other levels will have final rounds only if the numbers warrant, as determined by the Referee. The top two skaters from each qualifying group in their Freeskate event will automatically qualify for the final championship rounds. The remainder of the field will be determined by the highest remaining Freeskate scores for that level regardless of the group. The exact number of skaters in final rounds will be decided after the close of entries by the Chief Referee, but will not exceed 12.

CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES:

At the end of the competition, there will be a Championships Award Trophy for the skaters in IJS Juvenile and above. A trophy will be given to 3 skaters with the highest total final scores combined with a Short Program and a Long Program (Sorry no mixed levels). In addition, the 1st place winners will receive a coupon for the First entry for next year's competition.

Ceremonies: Awards ceremonies will not be held. Results will be posted live-stream from a link available on miamifsc.com. Awards can be picked up from registration/awards desk after results have been posted online.

The event will offer a decorated "Selfie Stand" and also an awards stand for photo opportunity purposes.

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained at the registration desk and also online under the miamifsc.com website under 2022 Miami Open Championships tab. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent, and coach to check the online bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive at the entry door of the rink 1 hour prior to the scheduled time of their event; individual arrival times will not be added to the schedule. A schedule of events and will be posted online at miamifsc.com prior to the competition after the entries have closed.

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition - MC 9/2/2020 schedule. A schedule of events will be posted online at miamifsc.com prior to the competition after the entries have closed.

LIVE START ORDERS / RESULTS

Start orders and results for all events, (6.0 and IJS, including protocol sheets) will be live streamed from a link on miamifsc.com.

TEST CREDIT: Skaters, that meet the requirements for test credit, may request their test credit forms at registration or pre-order them online (via Entryeze). Forms will be delivered to registration desk/greeting table in envelopes to avoid physical contact. No cash payments will be accepted, payments through Entryeze only to avoid contamination. To receive credit, request a test credit package at registration by paying the fee of \$20.00 via Entryeze account beforehand or requesting prior your event onsite. The event level and the name of the skater must be mentioned in the request. *The request must be done before the final IJS event of the competition has concluded.*

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL COACHES:

To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the compliance requirements listed below and verified by the U.S. Figure Skating. Coach credentials will be limited to ONE credential per registered athlete.

Coach/Choreographer (domestic/non-foreign):

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member.
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check. *
- The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
 - ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training. *
 - The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Must complete the Professional Coach/Choreographer Coaching Education Requirement (CER) through the [Professional Skaters Association \(PSA\)](http://www.usfigure.com).
- ✓ Must submit proof of general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/ \$5 million aggregate.
- ✓ Must agree to the U.S. Figure Skating Code of Ethics. *

- ✓ Must complete three waivers: 1) Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Release and Indemnification Agreement, 2) Medical Consent and 3) Name and Likeness Release and Consent Agreement. *
- ✓ If attending a qualifying competition or traveling as a part of Team USA and/or International Selection Pool (ISP), must be a full member of the [Professional Skaters Association \(PSA\)](#).

Learn to Skate USA Coach:

- ✓ Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating either through a member club or as an individual member OR Learn to Skate USA instructor membership
- ✓ If 18 years or older, must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check. *
 - The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional.
 - ✓ If 18 years or older, must complete annual SafeSport Training. *
 - The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification.
- ✓ Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed OR U.S. Figure Skating compliance coach (details above)

* Accessible via U.S. Figure Skating Members Only Website:

www.usfsaonline.org → Person Icon  or Account → Member Profile → Compliance

Foreign Coach/Choreographer:

- ✓ Required to present the LOC with a letter from their federation verifying they are a member in good standing.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit the [Coach Compliance](#) page. Coaches must check in at the event registration desk and show government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. If a coach cannot provide such identification and cannot produce the necessary documents, they will not be allowed a credential. Non-credentialed coaches are not allowed to participate in the event. There will be no exceptions to this policy.

VOLUNTEER INFO: Miami FSC requires members to offer mandatory annual volunteer hours for club events. Please look for online sign-up opportunities prior to the event. If you have questions, please contact: Miami FSC President, Kristina Suengas at elsiokristina@comcast.net

VOLUNTEER COMPLIANCE:

Reminder: compliant positions at all U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned events include key LOC members, locker room monitors and ALL medical event personnel. To be considered compliant, an approved volunteer serving in one of these positions must:

- ✓ Must submit information for, proper payment of \$30 and successfully pass a background check*
- The background check will be valid for two seasons, the one in which it was completed plus one additional
 - ✓ Must complete annual SafeSport Training

- The training will be valid for 365 days from date of completion and there is no cost for the training/certification *

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CONTACT INFO: If you have questions, please contact Local Organizing Committee Chair. Jane Johnson, 305-588-7009, jjsk8johnson@hotmail.com, miamifsc.com.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Official hotel accommodations -

The following hotels are within a 10-mile radius of the arena and may offer a special competition rate.

TownePlace Suites by Marriott Miami Kendall West
9055 SW 162nd Ave, Miami, FL 33196

(305) 383-5511

1.8 miles from the arena.

[Website](#)

Best Western Plus - Kendall - Hotel and Suites

8560 SW 124th Avenue

Miami, Florida 33183

305-271-4848

Complimentary shuttle to and from Kendall Ice Arena with advanced notice.

Email: sales@bwkendall.com

www.bwkendall.com

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Miami-Kendall

13475 SW 131st Street

Miami, Florida 33186

786-837-2100

Our hotel offers a complimentary shuttle to and from the arena as well as anywhere within a 5-mile radius from the hotel (6am-9pm, hourly). We also offer a daily complimentary breakfast, Wi-Fi, and self-parking.

Best Western Plus Kendall Airport & Suites

13700 SW 139th Ct. Miami, FL 33186

Reservations 305-969-1600

Group Reservations 305-969-4500

Complimentary Shuttle to Kendall Tamiami Airport and local businesses (5 Mi)

Comfort Suites

3901 SW 117th Avenue

Miami, FL 33175

305-220-3901

Fax 305-221-1348

Airport information;

Miami International Airport is approximately 20 miles from the arena and listed hotels. Travel time during non-peak rush hours is 45 minutes by car.

Club Website:
miamifsc.com

Vendors:

Skating related vendors will be offering services in the lobby or the Kendall Ice Arena Pro-shop during the competition.

Tentative schedule: A tentative schedule and start orders will be posted online approximately one week before the competition on miamifsc.com.

SECTION 2: Events Offered and Entry Fees:

SEE CURRENT [RULEBOOK](#) OR [U.S. FIGURE SKATING WEBSITE](#) FOR RULES/REQUIREMENTS.

U.S. FIGURE SKATING EVENTS				
SINGLES	IJS/6.0	1st EVENT	2nd EVENT	3rd + EVENT
Excel Free Skate	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Well Balanced Short Program (2022-23)	IJS	\$140.00	\$90.00	\$50.00
Well Balanced Free Skate (2022-23)	IJS	\$140.00	\$90.00	\$50.00
Adult Free Skate (Adult Pre-Bronze – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$140.00	\$90.00	\$50.00
Adult Beginner & High Beginner Free Skate	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
SPECIALTY	JUDGIN G	1st EVENT	2nd EVENT	3rd + EVENT
Compulsory Moves (No Test–Senior)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Adult Jumps Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Adult Spins Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
SHOWCASE – **NEW EVENT IMPLEMENTATION	JUDGIN G	1st EVENT	2nd EVENT	3rd + EVENT
Individual Entertainment (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
Interpretive (Pre-Freeskate to Preliminary/Adult Bronze)	6.0	\$110.00	\$70.00	\$40.00
COMPETE USA EVENTS				
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00

Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Adult 1-6, Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Compete USA – Showcase (Pre-Freeskate -Freeskate 6)	6.0	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
2021-22 Compete USA Manual				