



## ***2021 ATLANTA OPEN***

### ***Non-Qualifying Competition***



*Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating, hosted by The Atlanta Figure Skating Club*



**June 16-19, 2021**

**ENTRY DEADLINE: May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
11:59 PM Eastern Time**

CHIEF REFEREE - Rick Perez  
TECHNICAL CONTROLLER – Dana Graham  
NSDS TECHNICAL PANEL LEADER – John Millier  
NSDS TECHNICAL CONTROLLER – Carol Wooley  
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT - Kimberley Moore  
TECHNICAL ACCOUNTANT - Calvin Carson  
COMPETITION CHAIR – Tea Junnila

## GENERAL:

The **2021 Atlanta Open** 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 members of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook.

Current rulebook rules apply also for non-U.S. Citizens.

All participants are expected to abide by the Code of Ethics (GR 1.01) and the Code of Conduct (GR 1.02) as set forth in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

## COVID-19 INFORMATION:

**All attendees are always required to properly wear face coverings** over their nose and mouth and secured under their chin while in a facility with the only exception as approved by facility, skaters may remove when on the ice. This is not only for your protection, but for the protection of others and is applied to all attendees.

**Social distancing must be maintained at all times.** The CDC recommends a distance of 6 feet and separate pathways will be established within the venue minimizing crossover and contamination.

**Chaperones/Spectators:** Due to Covid-19 regulations ONE chaperone per athlete is allowed inside the venue regardless of age of the athlete. ONE coach per skater is allowed to attend event at the time. Team coaches may alternate attending events but only one coach is allowed at the time.

**Pre event communication:** Communication channel will be established to inform skaters and coaches about the competition environment including current Covid-19 restrictions, venue maps, safety plans or any other urgent information. This competition will use Virtual Program to deliver all material including start orders and results: physically distanced link to all important information. We will also set up a virtual meeting/information source for attendees prior the event.

## SERIES INFORMATION:



## NATIONAL SOLO DANCE SERIES

The 2021 Atlanta Open is a participating competition within the **2021 Solo Dance Series (SDS)**. The solo pattern dance event, combined event, and shadow dance events are being offered as part of the 2021 U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series and will be conducted in accordance with the 2021 Solo Dance Series Handbook found at: <https://www.usfigureskating.org/system/files/2021%20SDS%20Handbook.pdf>

## SOLO DANCE SERIES (SDS) INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION:

**General:** Please find the current Series rules, levels, and event requirements that will be effective for this competition from the handbook mentioned above. The Solo Dance Series will follow all costume rules and requirements as stated for ice dance in the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

**The 2021 season will have the following changes:** One Competition Required: Skaters only need to compete in one competition to qualify for the National Solo Dance Final. The competition may be in any section; skaters will still qualify based on the section of their home club.

Qualification will be based on top IJS scores: Skaters will qualify for the Final and be ranked by section based on their highest IJS score in each event. The number of skaters qualifying for the Final may be increased if conditions allow.

Additional Series Competitions: To minimize skaters' need to travel, plan is to increase the number of Solo Dance Series competitions. Any event that will offer IJS Solo Dance events is eligible to participate and is encouraged to apply on EMS. Applications for Series events will be accepted until June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, and the calendar of events will be updated weekly to reflect new approvals.

Three final events to be provided in each section in order to qualify: To provide an opportunity to qualify for skaters in each section, if they were not able to take part in an event in the spring or early summer, plan is to provide three events in the early August time frame, one in each section, where skaters can earn an IJS score that would be considered for the final. This is not required, just another option for those who don't already have a score.

A preliminary list of competitions is available on USFS website, and skater registration is now available via EMS. Please find the link from here:

<https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fm.usfigureskating.org%2Fseries%2Fregistration%2Foverview%2F5%3Fid%3D5&data=04%7C01%7C%7C50d219a827894b12b0c508d8e8c66552%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637515286084330546%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sddata=eD3cDk0kgsBJHF1UFc8yz9QGIXuVOUAQRp%2Bm7x7%2Bpl4%3D&reserved=0>

### Eligibility & Test Levels:

For the pattern dance events, the test level is determined by a skater completing all of the pattern dance tests within that level. All skaters must either compete at their test level or one level above their highest completed dance test. All skaters who have passed the Novice level or higher free skating or Novice or higher Moves in The Field tests may not enter the Bronze or below pattern dance events. There are no other restrictions for the Pre-Silver and above levels as they pertain to free skating or Moves in The Field tests.

For the combined events, no skater may enter an event where they have passed the corresponding free skating test two levels above the event they wish to enter. For example, if you wish to compete in Juvenile, you may not have passed the Novice Free Skating Test. See the Solo Series Overview for more details about general eligibility.

### Test qualifications:

The test deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, or when the skater submits their registration to be a solo dance Series participant, whichever date is earliest.

**Deadline:** The deadline to register for the Series is June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 or prior to the skater's first competition, whichever comes first. It is separate registration with a separate fee (\$35.00) from registering for this competition.

**SDS DEADLINE: JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> 2021**

**Registering is not mandatory for participation:** You may still compete in these events if you don't wish to be part of the Series. To receive a score for the Series athlete must register. To register a score, you can only skate maximum one level up.

**Judging:** The modified IJS judging system will be used for all SDS events and levels.

**Music Requirements:** All music for Solo Dance Series events is Skater's Choice. Each skater must upload a piece of music for each event, even if they are using a track from the U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series Music webpage.

**Failure to upload Music or PPC and consequences:** In the event a skater fails to upload their pattern dance music by the music upload deadline as stated in the competition announcement or on the competition website, the local organizing committee or music official may select one of the appropriate tracks (not the Warm Up track) from those available on the U.S. Figure Skating Solo Dance Series Music web site for the pattern dance to be competed. Late fee will be strictly enforced for missing music or PPC uploads within the deadline and will not be removed or refunded. Unpaid late fees will prevent athlete from participating the competition.

**SDS: EMS MUSIC UPLOAD:**

**DEADLINE: JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 11:59 PM ET A \$25.00 LATE FEE WILL APPLY**

EMS SKATER MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)*

**SDS: EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) :**

**DEADLINE: JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 11:59 PM ET A \$25.00 LATE FEE WILL APPLY**

EMS PPC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

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## 2021 ATLANTA OPEN INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

### **(EMS) REGISTRATION:**

Entries will be accepted via [EMS](#) at <https://m.usfigureskating.org/> with credit card only.

Each transaction will include a 3% credit card fee.

Online registration opens on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and closes on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 11:59 pm ET.

Skaters wishing to register for the competition will need their U.S. Figure Skating member number and password.

Registration may close earlier in case event reaches full capacity prior the set deadline.

## 2021 ATLANTA OPEN COMPETITION DEADLINE

**Registration Deadline: MAY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 11:59 PM ET**

**Late Registration Deadline: MAY 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 11:59 PM ET + \$30 Late Fee**

1. Go to <https://m.usfigureskating.org/>
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or Learn to Skate Member number and password  
If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).
3. Click the blue EMS button then "Competition Registration"
4. Choose "2021 ATLANTA OPEN" from the list of competitions.  
If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org).

### ENTRY FEES:

First IJS Event	\$150.00
Second IJS Event	\$120.00
First 6.0 Event	\$130.00
Subsequent 6.0 Events	\$100.00
National Solo Dance (IJS):	
Pattern Dance Event	\$135.00
Combined Dance Event	\$160.00
Shadow Dance Event (per team)	\$135.00

\*IJS will be ranked as first event compared to 6.0 event

### ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:

**Test Level:** Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. For the 2020-2021 competition season, athletes may skate up one or two levels (Technical Notification #250) above that for which they qualify. Participants skating up two levels are not eligible for test credit. Note, athletes may not skate down in any event. Athletes may not skate up 2 levels if they wish to record a score for National Solo Dance Series.

**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.

### If offering adult events:

Age classes for all free skate, dramatic entertainment, and light entertainment events:

- 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

Age classes for all solo free dance and solo pattern dance events:

- Young Adult/Class I/II: 18 years through 45 years
- Class III/IV/V: 46 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 will 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 (excluding SDS, which has separate rules) rounds will be held in accordance with rule 2460.

#### **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 ([click here for HOW TO](#)). This can be done by choosing the “Non-Member? Create Account” option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

#### **Partnered events (Pairs/Couples Dance/Duets/Shadow Dance):**

Only one partner needs to complete registration for the team. During the registration process, you will be asked to identify your partner and verify their test information. The registered partner will be responsible for managing all aspects of the competition for the team including music/PPC upload, practice ice sales, etc.

#### **Mandatory Athletes:**

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e. synchro, dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one minor athlete must complete SafeSport training.

Minor Athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be SafeSport compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email [safesport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:safesport@usfigureskating.org) for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

#### **EMS Skater Portal:**

Once online registration has been completed, skaters will gain access to the EMS Skater Portal for this competition. This is where you will manage music and PPC (Planned Program Content) uploads as well as purchase practice ice, view the competition schedule (once available) and update coach information. Click here to access the [competition portal](#).

## Refund Policy:

No refunds will be granted under any circumstances after the entry deadline, including medical, unless the competition or an event is canceled. Online processing fees are non-refundable. Payment of any fees will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

## SCHEDULE:

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time for 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. The Atlanta Figure Skating Club reserves the right to divide an event, limit the number of entries, hold an event with only one entry, and cancel an event with only one entry.

Prior closing the entries there will be no information about the schedule or pre plan of the scheduling.

## EMS MUSIC UPLOAD:

**DEADLINE: JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 11:59 PM ET A \$25.00 LATE FEE WILL APPLY**

Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **June 4, 2021 at 11:59 PM ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$25 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't 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.

EMS SKATER MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)*

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.

### Back up copy:

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. Only one track per CD is allowed. Music will not be played from personal devices due to disinfecting difficulties.

## EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC):

**DEADLINE: JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 11:59 PM ET A \$25.00 LATE FEE WILL APPLY**

Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **June 4, 2021 at 11:59 PM ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$25 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't 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.

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### LATE FEES:

Please follow all entry- and upload deadlines as late fees will be strictly enforced and automatically added to participants account and uncleared account will restrict skater from participating the event.

### JUDGING SYSTEMS:

#### **IJS:**

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events:

Preliminary – Senior and Adult Silver – Masters Free Skate, Open Juvenile and Juvenile – Senior Short Programs, Pairs Free Skate and Short Programs, Solo Dance Series events, Couples Dance Events, all Excel Juvenile Plus, Pre-Juvenile Plus, and Preliminary Plus Free Skates and Excel Intermediate – Excel Senior Free Skates.

Please note that this competition is not part of the Excel Series.

#### **6.0:**

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for:

Excel Beginner –Pre Preliminary and Adult Beginner – Adult Bronze Free Skates, and Excel Pre-Preliminary thru Excel Juvenile Free Skates, all Compulsory Moves, all Spins, all Jumps, all Step Sequences, and all Showcase events.

Specific chart is provided at the end of this announcement.

### GOVERNING COUNCIL:

We will implement requirement changes approved at the May, 2021 [U.S. Figure Skating Governing Council](#) (even if not effective until July 1, 2021). Please check our website and the U.S. Figure Skating website and [Technical Notifications](#) page for updates.

### LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, The Atlanta Figure Skating Club, and The Cooler 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.

### FACILITIES:

The competition will be held at The Cooler, which is located at 10800 Davis Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30004. The two ice surfaces measure 200' x 85' with rounded corners and hockey barriers. The Cooler has locker rooms and an on-site restaurant/bar and snack bar. Due to Covid-19 pandemic, the facility will not offer locker rooms and the restaurant is currently closed. Further information will be provided to attendees about the facility accommodations closer to the event. Visit website: [www.coolerathletics.com](http://www.coolerathletics.com)



## **ONSITE REGISTRATION/ HEALTH CHECK-IN AND MITIGATION RULES:**

Registration will open on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as practice ice sessions begin and end at Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the completion of the final event of the competition. The registration table will be clearly marked and located adjacent to the entrance of the rink. Registration and health check will be outdoors to avoid virus contamination. Please be prepared to a health check outside the arena prior entering the facility and note that event requires strict mask wearing policy and social distancing from attendees including athletes, chaperones, officials, coaches, and volunteers. By registering to this event attendees acknowledge the policies and agree following them. All skaters are also required to sign waivers by U.S. Figure Skating through EMS registration. Health check will include temperature measuring from exposed forehead and responding to survey questions. Dated sticker will be placed visibly on attendee for passing the health check. Health check will be conducted daily and temperature check upon every entry. Please register promptly upon arrival. Arrival times will be listed on event schedule separately for collecting athletes, chaperones (one per skater) and coaches (one per skater) into warm up groups and ushered through the event chaperoned by event volunteers. Prepare arriving approximately 1 hour prior your event start time. All other activity inside the venue will be restricted. No public access will be allowed inside the building unless Covid-19 restrictions are lifted prior the event begins. Event will be live streamed.

Mask wearing is highly recommended also on outside spaces around the rink but mandatory at the areas used for registration and health check. Please keep distance to people who are not part of your daily grouping. Please restrain from enjoying beverages elsewhere than specifically designated areas where seating is provided.

## **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:**

Locker room availability is pending due to pandemic regulations during the event. Participants will be notified about current situation prior the event. Currently locker rooms are not available at the facility.

In case locker room use is allowed, the 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 gender 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). Any use of electronic devices or smart phones must be avoided and absolutely no photo/videography is allowed inside locker rooms.

## **EMS PRACTICE ICE:**

[Pre-Purchase opening: April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021](#)

[Selection opening: date TBD](#)

[Open Sales opening: date TBD](#)

**Sales:** We will sell practice ice sessions in advance (pre-purchase during registration window) and after schedule of competition is published, we will open additional practice ice sales. All practice ice will be available for purchase online only through the EMS Skater Portal. A timeline for practice ice sales periods will be available for viewing on the competition information page of your Skater Portal. Athletes will be notified about the practice ice selection starting/ending times and additional practice ice sales openings via email. All skaters are encouraged to purchase practice ice through EMS on their mobile devices/computers and sales will remain live through the competition depending on ice availability.

**Unofficial Practice Ice:** Please note that all practice ice will be Unofficial Practice Ice and no music will be played during sessions.

**Earbud/headphones:** Earbuds and wireless headphones/other music devices will not be allowed on practice sessions or warmups associated with any events in this competition.

Zero tolerance in mask wearing includes all time spent inside the venue except as skater steps on the ice to perform competition event or practice ice, mask can be removed and placed into a clean container/bag. As soon as skater exits the ice the mask must be replaced to cover the skater's nose and mouth completely.

**PRICING:**

- o [Pre-Purchase](#) practice ice fee \$25.00
- o [Open Sales](#) practice ice fee \$30.00

**PHOTO/VIDEO:**

**Gabriele Photography:** professional video of the event services will be provided during the competition. Event will be live streamed. Possibility to offer photography sales at the event will be determined later depending on the pandemic regulations. Attendees will be notified about the situation.

For the safety and welfare of the skater, personal 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 skating. No one will be permitted to obstruct the view of other seated spectators by standing in front of or hanging over the plexi-glass barriers or to film at alternative ice entrances. In order to comply with local fire safety codes, all aisles 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 as stated in the Basic Ice Usage and Skater Etiquette Information document found in the Club Resource section of Member's Only on USFS website.

**AWARDS:**

**Medal:**

Medals will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place winners in each competition event.

Each Singles, Pairs and Couples Dance short program/pattern dance event will receive awards and free skate program events will be awarded separately. Combined Dance Event (SDS) will be awarded as combination.

**The Susan Johnson Trophy:**

will be awarded to the Singles Intermediate level skater who achieves the highest free skate program component score.

Awards ceremonies will not be conducted. Medals will be available for recipients at the registration or separate awards desk outside the building. Photo opportunity at the podium will be provided.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES:**

An official bulletin board will be maintained virtually on the Atlanta Figure Skating Club website/2021 Atlanta Open/Virtual Program. All starting orders and results will be posted online only. Link to this information will be

provided for each attendee.

It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information.

Skaters are requested to arrive 60 minutes, (1 hour) prior to the scheduled time of their event. The schedule will include arrival times. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.

### **TEST CREDIT:**

Skaters that meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit forms at registration. This must be requested on-site or purchased during registration. Test credit will not be available after the last IJS event has ended and the competition has concluded. Please make the request at registration desk no later than one hour after your events conclusion. Forms must be picked up at the outdoors registration desk prior to the end of the competition. A nominal fee of 20\$ will be charged. We will accept credit card or online payments only. Link for online payments will be provided at the registration desk. Request form will be available via the Virtual Program or open for pre purchase at registration. Skaters skating up two levels are not eligible for test credit.

### **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. Athletes are limited to one coach at the event per skater. Please register only one coach as signing up for the competition. Parent/chaperone cannot approach the boards as a coach unless parent is officially credentialed PSA coach.

### **Find information:**

- [My Competitions](#)
- [My Skaters](#)
- [Coach Schedule](#)

### **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 \(PSA\)](#).
- ✓ 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](http://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.

All coach compliance is verified via EMS and is connected to the U.S. Figure Skating database.

**SafeSport:** In accordance with federal law, specifically S.534 – Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and SafeSport Authorization Act of 2017, U.S. Figure Skating, as a National Governing Body, and all member figure skating clubs, as Local Affiliated Organizations, are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Center for SafeSport. All sanctioned events must comply with U.S. Figure Skating’s SafeSport policies. SafeSport training is available through <http://www.usfsaonline.org> for full members of U.S. Figure Skating (through Learn to Skate USA portal for instructors). There is no cost to this training and certification is valid for 1 season.

**Credential:** All coaches are verified through the U.S. Figure Skating database who are approved to receive a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential. There can be no exceptions to this policy.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit the [Coaches Requirements Chart](#).

Skaters will receive a credential to allow them access to locker rooms. Coaches are not allowed in locker rooms.

### VOLUNTEER INFO:

Atlanta Figure Skating Club requires members to offer mandatory annual 8 hours volunteering for club events. Food donations do not count as volunteer hours but are greatly appreciated. Please look for online signup opportunities prior to the event. Sign Up Genius will be posted on club website as soon as schedule has been finalized. If you have questions, please contact:

Volunteer Chair  
Atlee Breland

[atleebreland@gmail.com](mailto:atleebreland@gmail.com)

## **CONTACT INFO:**

If you have questions, please contact:

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SafeSport Compliance Chair Amy Kilheffer

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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

### **Official Hotel:**

The official hotel is Homewood Suites, 10775 Davis Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30004, 770-998-1622. A block of rooms will be reserved.

Other local hotels will also have room blocks with special pricing during the event. Please follow information on club website under tab 2021 Atlanta Open Virtual Program. We will offer a link to find special rate room blocks with hotels in the vicinity of the rink.

Link offers instructions to other local activities and restaurants for your convenience.

### **Vendors:**

Skating related vendors will be offering services outside the building trunk sale style during competition.

### **Air Travel:**

Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport is approximately 36 miles from The Cooler and local hotels. Travel time during non-peak rush hour is 45 minutes by car. MARTA train from the airport reaches up to Northsprings where bus transport is available to nearby bus stop or ride-hailing app services can be used for the rest of the commute.

### **Club Website:**

The Atlanta Figure Skating Club website is <https://www.atlantafsc.com>

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

*Chart below was updated on Nov. 30, 2020 (see: [Showcase New Event Implementation](#)).*

<b>U.S. FIGURE SKATING EVENTS</b>			
<b>SINGLES</b>	<b>IJS/6.0</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
<a href="#">Excel Free Skate</a> Beginner – Juvenile	6.0	\$130	\$100
Excel Preliminary Plus, Pre Juvenile Plus, Juvenile Plus and Excel Intermediate – Excel Senior	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Well Balanced Short Program (21/22)</a> Open Juvenile, Juvenile - Senior	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Well Balanced Free Skate (21/22)</a> No Test – Pre-Preliminary	6.0	\$130	\$100
Preliminary - Senior	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Adult Free Skate</a> (Adult Pre-Bronze – Adult Bronze)	6.0	\$130	\$100
Adult Silver – Adult Master Jr/Sr	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Adult Beginner &amp; High Beginner Free Skate</a>	6.0	\$130	\$100
<b>PAIRS</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
<a href="#">Short Program (21/22)</a> (Novice-Senior)	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Free Skate (21/22)</a> (Juvenile-Senior)	IJS	\$150	\$120
<b>PARTNERED ICE DANCE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
<a href="#">Pattern Dance (21/22)</a> (Pre Juvenile - Novice)	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Adult Pattern Dance</a>	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Rhythm Dance (21/22)</a> (Junior - Senior)	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Free Dance (21/22)</a> (Pre Juvenile - Senior)	IJS	\$150	\$120
<a href="#">Adult Free Dance</a>	IJS	\$150	\$120
<b>SPECIALTY</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
<a href="#">Compulsory Moves</a> (No Test–Senior)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Excel Compulsory Moves</a> (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Adult Compulsory Moves</a> (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Jumps Challenge</a> (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Adult Jumps Challenge</a> (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Spins Challenge</a> (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Adult Spins Challenge</a> (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Step Sequence</a> (Pre-Pre.–Senior)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Adult Step Sequences</a> (Adult Pre-Bronze–Masters Sr)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Moves in the Field</a> (Pre-Pre.–Senior)	6.0	\$130	\$100

<a href="#">Adult Moves in the Field</a> (Adult Pre-Bronze–Masters Sr)	6.0	\$130	\$100
<b>SHOWCASE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
<a href="#">Individual Entertainment, Character Perf &amp; Dramatic Perf (No Test – Senior, Adult)</a> Character Performance and Dramatic Performance offered	6.0	\$130	\$100
<a href="#">Duets (No Test – Senior, Adult)</a>	6.0	\$130	\$100
<b>SOLO DANCE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>
<a href="#">Solo Pattern Dance</a> (participating in series)	IJS	\$135	\$135
<a href="#">Solo Combined Dance</a> SDS	IJS	\$160	\$160
<a href="#">Shadow Dance</a> SDS	IJS	\$135	\$135