



2020 Skate Nashville hosting 2020 SEGL  
Nashville Figure Skating Club  
April 17, 18, & 19, 2020



The 2020 Skate Nashville is hosting SEGL 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.

**2020 Excel Series:** Nashville figure skating club is pleased to announce we have been chosen as a qualifying competition for the 2020 Excel series. **As an Excel Series event, skaters entered in the Series at eligible levels will earn points for their placement here in order to qualify for the National Festival to be held in OBM Arena in Strongsville, Ohio, June 18-21, 2020.**

Skaters must be registered for the Excel Series prior to competing at a designated competition or by March 1, 2020. Skaters interested in participating in the series need to complete the online Excel Competition Series registration form and pay the fee by March 1. Please refer to the Excel Series Handbook available at [https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/images/2020\\_Excel\\_Series\\_Handbook.pdf](https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/images/2020_Excel_Series_Handbook.pdf)

Skaters may not enter both a Well-Balanced Free Skate event and an Excel Free Skate event at the same non-qualifying competition.

Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.

Level will be determined by the highest Free Skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or "skate up" to one level higher.

**ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

**Test level:** Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline, in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event.

**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.

**ADULT EVENTS:**

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

- Young Adult: 17 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: 17 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 and compulsory moves (based upon the Adult Competition Series rules), 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.

**COMPETITION REGISTRATION:**

SKATE NASHVILLE and SEGL registration will be via EMS system as part of USFSA.org.

**EMS REGISTRATION:**

Entries will be accepted via [EMS](#) with credit card only.

Each transaction is subject to a 3% credit card fee.

**Registration Deadline: MARCH 17, 2020 at 12 AM CST**

**Late Registration Deadline: \$25 Late Fee**

**Event Change fee post deadline: \$25**

*Late entries will be subject to the approval of the Competition Chair and Chief Referee and will be assessed a late entry fee of \$25. Payment of fee will be required before skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.*

1. Go to [www.usfsaonline.org](http://www.usfsaonline.org)
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or Learn to Skate Member number and password
  - a. 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 "COMPETITION NAME" from the list of competitions.
  - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org).

**PARTNERED EVENTS (IF OFFERING – PAIRS/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.**

**REFUND & LATE CHANGES POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded after **MARCH 17, 2020** unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. There will be a late fee of \$25.00 and an event change fee of \$25.00. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$ 25.00 fee. Payment of all fees will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events. The Nashville FSC reserves the right to divide an event, limit the number of entries, hold an event with only one entry and cancel an event (with refund) with only one entry. Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available by email or online.

**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.

**FACILITIES:** The competition will be held at Centennial Sportsplex, 222 25th Avenue North, Nashville TN 37203. 615-862-8480. Centennial has two ice surfaces, each measuring 205' by 85'. The facility also has several dressing/ locker rooms, a concession area, and free parking. Visiting vendors will also offer skating and non-skating related products. Admission to the 2020 Skate Nashville competition is free.

**EMS MUSIC UPLOAD:**

**DEADLINE: APRIL 10, 2020**

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

All competition music must be electronically submitted via the EMS Skater Portal through the Music & Program Content tab no later than **APRIL 10, 2020**.

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 or digital copy [if you are accepting digital back up such as on a phone or memory stick] 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.

**EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – IF IJS:**

**DEADLINE: APRIL 14, 2020**

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

Competitors participating in IJS events must submit their PPC via the EMS no later than **APRIL 14, 2020**.

**LIABILITY:** U.S. Figure Skating, Nashville Figure Skating Club and Centennial Sportsplex 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 REGISTRATION:** Registration will begin on Friday, April 17, 2020 and end at 12PM. Registration will be open one to two hours before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The registration table will be located at Centennial Sportsplex in the upper lobby. Please register promptly upon arrival.

**LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:**

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).

**PRACTICE ICE:** Practice ice will be available during the designated times throughout the competition. The cost is \$12.00 per 20-minute session and is available for pre-purchase at the time of registration. You will receive an email via EMS as to when selection for practice ice will open. Please make sure that you have your correct login information needed prior to selection as pre-purchased practice ice is available on a first come, first serve basis. After pre-purchased practice ice selection, open sales will begin for any remaining pre-purchased practices not reserved or for remaining spots. Skaters may also purchase practice ice at a walk-on rate of \$15.00 per 20 minutes if space is available.

***Note:*** Centennial Sportsplex is the official practice rink for the Nashville Predators. Should the Predators still be in the midst of their NHL season during 2020 Skate Nashville, practice ice availability may be limited. Nashville FSC will make every effort to open additional practice ice if and when ice becomes available, which may be on short notice based on fluctuations in the Predators' daily practice schedule.

**PHOTO/VIDEO:** Note, [per U.S. Figure Skating policy](#), photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited. Please refer to the Basic Ice Usage and Skater Etiquette Information document found in the Club Resource section of Member's Only. Professional video and photography will be available throughout the competition. For the safety of the skaters, there is absolutely NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY ALLOWED. Also, for the safety and welfare of the skater, personal photography and videography will be permitted in the stands only.

**AWARDS:** Medals will be presented to 1st – 4th place winners in all events. Awards presentations will take place immediately following the posting of the results for each event or as early as possible. Skaters should report to the awards area promptly in competition attire and skates.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES:** An official bulletin board will be maintained outside of registration. 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 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of their event. 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. Forms must be picked up at the registration desk prior to the end of the competition.

Please consider including information such as when requests for test credit must be made [check with your chief accountant] as well as any fee you might be charging for the test credit packet.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL COACHES:**

To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, coaches must be included within a skater's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal.

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

The compliance tab within EMS lists ALL individuals who were declared by skaters at the time of registration or through their EMS Skater Portals (also allows access to skater schedule, music/PPC preview etc.). The compliance requirements are tied to our database and are updated daily. Further, if a coach is non-compliant, they will receive system generated emails through the start of the competition. Click [here](#) for additional information

**EMS Coach Resources**

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

Coaches of U.S. Figure Skating athletes:

- Current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating
- Completed background check (green light status)
- Completed SafeSport Training\*
- Continuing Education Requirements (CERs) for the 2020-21 Competition Season
- Proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

Coaches of Compete USA athletes:

- Learn to Skate USA Instructor membership OR U.S. Figure Skating full membership
- Completed SafeSport Training\* (for coaches 18 years old and over)
- Completed background check (green light status) (for coaches 18 years old and over)
- Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed (for coaches under 18 years old)

\*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 2 seasons

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](#).

**CONTACT INFO:** If you have questions, please contact:

- Competition Co-Chair Barb Wood @ 615-512-2141, thymewood@bellsouth.net
- Competition Co-Chair Ivy Kuzminsky @ 702-250-7914, ivy.gabele@gmail.com
- Nashville Skate Academy @ 615-928-7977

**HOTEL INFORMATION:**

**Hilton Garden Inn Brentwood**

[https://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/B/BNABRGI-NASHFI-20200416/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/B/BNABRGI-NASHFI-20200416/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

Group Name: NASHVILLE FIGURE SKATING APRIL 2020

Group Code: NASHFI

Check-in: 16-APR-2020

Check-out: 19-APR-2020

RATE: \$219.00/night

Hotel Name: [Hilton Garden Inn Nashville Brentwood](#)

Hotel Address: 217 Centerview Drive  
Brentwood, Tennessee  
37027

Phone Number: 615-432-0151

**Hampton Inn:** [https://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/B/BNABDHX-NFS-20200416/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/B/BNABDHX-NFS-20200416/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

Group Name: Nashville Figure Skating Academy

Group Code: NFS

Check-in: 16-APR-2020

Check-out: 19-APR-2020

RATE: \$174.00/night

Hotel Name: [Hampton Inn Nashville/Brentwood-I-65S](#)

Hotel Address: 5630 Franklin Pike Circle  
Brentwood, Tennessee  
37027

Phone Number: 615-373-2212

\*\*Nashville International Airport hotels are conveniently located about 15 minutes from the rink. Many hotels offer free shuttle service from airport.

## SECTION 2: Events Offered and Entry Fees:

**ENTRIES:** Entries must be completed via **EMS system** by **midnight, Sunday, March 17, 2020**. Late entries will be subject to the approval of the Competition Chair and Chief Referee and will be assessed a late entry fee of \$25. Payment of fee will be required before skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

### JUDGING SYSTEM:

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

- Well Balanced Program Free Skate Events, Preliminary – Senior, and Open Juvenile
- Short Program Events, Juvenile – Senior, and Open Juvenile.
- All Excel PLUS events

**PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT FORMS:** Planned Program Content (PPC) for all IJS events is required to be submitted by each skater via EMS System. USE U.S. Figure Skating Web Site for PPC's. The deadline for PPC submission is **April 14, 2020**.

The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for:

- Well Balanced Program Free Skate Events: Pre-Preliminary
- Excel Beginner through Pre-Preliminary
- All Specialty Singles Events (Spins, Jumps, Compulsory Moves, Etc.)
- All Showcase Events
- All TOI Events

### **Note:**

- Critiques will be offered for Juvenile - Senior level
- Final rounds will be offered for Juvenile - Novice if more than 12 skaters in initial grouping.
- We will have Team trophy and Novice Ladies trophy for top scoring Novice lady.

**SEE CURRENT RULEBOOK OR U.S. FIGURE SKATING WEBSITE FOR CURRENT RULES AND REQUIREMENTS**

**2020 Excel Series:** Nashville figure skating club is pleased to announce we have been chosen as a qualifying competition for the 2020 Excel series. **As an Excel Series event, skaters entered in the Series at eligible levels will earn points for their placement here in order to qualify for the National Festival to be held in OBM Arena in Strongsville, Ohio, June 18-21, 2020.**

Skaters must be registered for the Excel Series prior to competing at a designated competition or by March 1, 2020. Skaters interested in participating in the series need to complete the online Excel Competition Series registration form and pay the fee by March 1. Please refer to the Excel Series Handbook available at [https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/images/2020\\_Excel\\_Series\\_Handbook.pdf](https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/images/2020_Excel_Series_Handbook.pdf)

Skaters may not enter both a Well-Balanced Free Skate event and an Excel Free Skate event at the same non-qualifying competition.

Skaters will skate to the music of their choice. Vocal music is permitted at all levels.

2020 Skate Nashville hosting 2020 SEGL, Nashville Figure Skating Club

Level will be determined by the highest Free Skate test passed. Skaters may compete at the highest level they have passed, or “skate up” to one level higher.

U.S. FIGURE SKATING EVENTS				
<b>SINGLES</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> + EVENT</b>
<a href="#"><u>Excel Free Skate</u></a> (Beginner-Pre-Preliminary)	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Excel Free Skate</u></a> (Preliminary – Senior)	IJS	\$120	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Excel Plus Free Skate</u></a> (Preliminary Plus – Senior)	IJS	\$120	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Short Program</u></a> (2020-2021)	IJS	\$120	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Well Balanced Free Skate</u></a> (High Beginner-No test))	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Well Balanced Free Skate</u></a> (Pre-Preliminary-Senior)	IJS	\$120	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Adult Singles Free Skate</u></a> (Adult Pre Bronze- Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Adult Beginner &amp; High Beginner Free Skate</u></a>	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<b>SPECIALTY</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> + EVENT</b>
<a href="#"><u>Compulsory Moves</u></a> (No Test–Senior)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Excel Compulsory Moves</u></a> (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Adult Compulsory Moves</u></a> (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Jumps Challenge</u></a> (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Adult Jumps Challenge</u></a> (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Spins Challenge</u></a> (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Adult Spins Challenge</u></a> (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$50	\$50	\$50
<b>SHOWCASE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> EVENT</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> + EVENT</b>
<a href="#"><u>Dramatic Entertainment</u></a> (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Light Entertainment</u></a> (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Duets</u></a> (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$110	\$50	\$50
<a href="#"><u>Mini Production Ensemble</u></a>	6.0	\$85	\$	\$
<b>COMPETE USA EVENTS</b>				
<a href="#"><u>Program</u></a> (Snowplow Sam-FS 6)	6.0	\$50	\$25	\$25
<a href="#"><u>Elements &amp; Compulsory Moves</u></a> (Snowplow Sam–FS 6)	6.0	\$50	\$25	\$25
<a href="#"><u>Compete USA Showcase</u></a>	6.0	\$50	\$25	\$25
<a href="#"><u>Adult 1-6 Free Skate</u></a>	6.0	\$50	\$25	\$25
<a href="#"><u>Adult 1-6 Compulsory Moves</u></a>	6.0	\$50	\$25	\$25