



**2015 Northwest Pacific Nonqualifying
Championships at the NWP
Championships**

**Seattle Skating Club
October 9 – 13, 2015**

**Entry Deadline September 1, 2015 at 11:59 PM
No late entries will be accepted after this date.**

This event is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Nonqualifying Competition



The **2015 Northwest Pacific Nonqualifying Championships** 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 which 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 is a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, a collegiate club or an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. Please refer to the current rulebook for non-U.S. Citizens.

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 only at the level for which they qualify. All test requirements are as of September 1, 2015. Age requirements are as of September 1, 2015 as noted. There will be no final rounds.

Age restrictions/requirements: Skaters entering open juvenile free skate events (Well Balanced Program), must be at least 14 years of age at the close of entries.

Skaters entering open intermediate free skate events (Well Balanced Program), must be at least 18 years of age at the close of entries.

Skaters entering non-test to open intermediate events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

ENTRIES: Online entry with secure credit card payment is available via EntryEeze at www.entryeeze.com. Registration is **ONLINE ONLY** and must be completed by **11:59pm Pacific Standard Time on September 1, 2015**. Practice and Competition schedules will be available at the EntryEeze website approximately two weeks before the competition.

Couples entering Ice Dancing & Pairs Events must complete individual entries and payments through the EntryEeze registration system. You will be asked to indicate your partner's name.

No late entries will be accepted.

FEES:

Event/Level	First Event
Non-test through Preliminary (6.0)	\$85
Pre-Juv, Open Juv, and Open Intermediate (IJS)	\$100
Dance, couples (6.0)	\$120 per couple (\$60 per skater)
Pairs, couples (6.0)	\$120 per couple (\$60 per skater)
Solo Free Dance (6.0)	\$85

REFUND POLICY: In accordance with rule 3047, entry fees will not be refunded after **September 1, 2015** unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. In any event with only one entry, the skater will be offered the choice of either competing as an individual competitor, or withdrawing from the event and receiving a refund. The online processing fees are not refundable. Checks returned for insufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a **\$25.00** fee. **Payment of fees will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.** Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available by EntryEeze once the entry deadline has passed and schedule has been posted.

The 2016 Northwest Pacific Regional Championships are being conducted concurrently on the same ice surface and take precedence over this nonqualifying event. The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) and the Chief Referee reserve the right to cancel or reschedule any nonqualifying event and all practice ice to assure the timely completion of the qualifying competition. Every effort will be made to conduct all offered events. In any event with only one entry, the skater/team will be given the option of withdrawing from the event or to skate as a single entry and be given first place according to rule 3045A. In the event of late withdrawals, leaving a single skater/team entered in an event, the skater/team will be offered the option to skate as a single entry or to withdraw from the event and be issued a refund. In the event of cancellations, entrants will be notified by mail or email, and the entry fee and practice ice fee for the cancelled event will be refunded. A list of cancelled events will also be posted on the event website.

FACILITIES: The competition will be held at Olympic View Ice Arena. Located at 22202 70th Avenue West, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043 with possible events and practice ice sessions located at Lynnwood Ice Center at 19803 68th Avenue West, Lynnwood, WA 98036.

MUSIC: Music will be accepted on CDs at the time of registration. The official competition music must be turned in at the registration table at the time of check-in. A duplicate CD should be readily available. Music may be picked up in the rink lobby following each event. Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Seattle Skating Club cannot be responsible for CDs left at the end of the competition. Please have separate CDs for practice and competition.

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, Seattle Skating Club, Olympic View Ice Arena, and Lynnwood Ice Center 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.

JUDGING SYSTEM: The 6.0 Majority Judging System will be used for: Non-test Well Balanced Program free skate, Pre-Preliminary Well Balanced Program free skate, Preliminary Well Balanced Program free skate, Dance, Pairs, and Solo Dance events.

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events: *Pre-juvenile freeskate, Open Juv, and Open Intermediate.*

All competitors who skate in IJS events must submit the planned program content form online. This form is found on EntryEeze and in the Member's Only section at www.usfigureskating.org. **The deadline to submit the form is 11:59pm Pacific Standard Time on September 15, 2015. Any planned program content forms submitted after this date will be assessed a \$30.00 late fee.**

REGISTRATION: Registration check-in will begin on October 9, 2015 and end at October 13, 2015 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 in the lobby. Please register promptly upon arrival. Registration check-in is not complete until all music has been turned in.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice Ice will be available at the times determined to compliment the schedule provided by the referee. Every effort will be made to schedule Practice ice sessions as close to the competition as possible, however this is not guaranteed.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY: Action Photos by Marianne will be available for purchase in the lobby. Awards photos will be taken by Adam Buchanan Photography. Videos can be purchased through the USFS vendor online at the completion of the competition.

AWARDS: Medals will be issued for First through Fifth place immediately after results are posted.

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby of Olympic View Arena. 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.

INFORMATION REGARDING COACHES:

U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 5.11 Coach Registration

In order to be granted access to work within U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned activities, each coach must complete the following requirements on an annual basis by July 1:

- A. Must be a current full member of U.S. Figure Skating - either through a member club or as an individual member;
- B. Must complete the coach registration process through the U.S. Figure Skating Members Only site, submit proper payment for the annual registration fee of \$30 and, if 18 years of age or older, successfully pass the background screen.
- C. Must complete the appropriate CER courses (A, B, C or D) depending on the highest level of students being coached as of July 1. See rule MR 5.12.
- D. Must submit proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for 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 – no exceptions. We strongly urge all coaches to have their cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events including practice sessions. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without proper registration is an ethics violation which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to:

<http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaching%20Compliance%20Toolkit.pdf>

ADMISSION

All-Event passes and One-Day passes may also be purchased at the door at the registration desk for the following fees:

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The price of "All-Event Passes" purchased prior to September 15, 2015 is as follows:

Adults and Children 6 and older: \$30.00

Children (under 6): Free when accompanied by a ticketed adult.

The price for "All-Event" Passes purchased after September 15, 2015

Adults and Children 6 and older: \$35.00

Children (under 6): Free when accompanied by a ticketed adult

"One-Day Passes" may be purchased at the door:

Adults and Children 6 and older: \$15.00

Children (under 6): Free when accompanied by a ticketed adult.

CREDENTIALS

Each athlete will receive complimentary credentials for 1 chaperone and 1 designated approved coach.

The credentials are marked with the individual's name and are non-transferable. You must have credentials to enter Olympicview Ice Arena, the warm-up area and the locker rooms. One additional chaperone and additional coach credentials may be purchased through EntryEeze or at the registration desk. Additional chaperone and additional coach credentials badges are \$35.00 when pre-purchased through EntryEeze and \$40.00 at the registration desk.

Each competitor will receive their credential badge and the chaperone badge when their registration has been completed—which includes turning in their music at the registration desk. The competitor's coach will pick up their credential badge separately at check-in.

A photo ID must be shown by all chaperones and coaches when the credential is picked up.

BADGES are non-transferable!

Badges must be worn at all times while in Olympic View Ice Arena. Any lost badges will be replaced for an additional charge of \$35.00 per badge.

Referee

The decision of the Referee on all matters will be final. The Referee, along with the LOC, shall have the right to exclude any person(s) whose behavior is unruly or unsportsmanlike.

Events may be divided or combined at the discretion of the referee. The referee may divide groups within an event by age. Decisions of the referee to divide or combine groups or events or to cancel events are final and are not subject to protest.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Action photos as well as still awards photos will be available for purchase at the event. **Please note: Flash photography of the competition, including practice ice, is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating policy.** Violation of this rule may subject the offender to ejection from the arena and prosecution.

VIDEOGRAPHY

The U.S. Figure Skating Production Team will serve as the official video provider for all qualifying competitions this season. To order video for the 2016 qualifying season, please visit www.usfigureskatingvideos.com.

Please note: videotaping of the competition, including practice ice, in any form is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating policy.

SPECTATOR CONDUCT

No items of any kind are to be thrown on the ice. Violation of this rule may subject the offender to ejection from the arena and prosecution.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you would like your photo in the event souvenir program, email a photo to 2016nwpprograms@gmail.com, no later than September 1, 2015. Photos should be a "yearbook style" headshot in JPEG or PNG format with a pixel resolution of at least 600 x400 pixels. Detailed instructions with a link to the email address will be available on the event website. Photographs and media forms will be used for the program and publicity of the event. Submission of a competition entry automatically grants permission to use all accompanying information, including photographs, for publicizing these Championships. Programs can be purchased at the cost of \$20.00 per program pre-purchased via EntryEeze. It is in your best interest to pre-purchase your program, as there will be a limited availability at the event and the charge for programs at the venue will be \$25.00 each.

MERCHANDISE

Event merchandise will be available for purchase online at EntryEeze, including Souvenir Program Good Luck ads.

Additional event merchandise, such as apparel, will be available for purchase at the event.

SCHEDULE / GROUPS

A **tentative** schedule is not included in this announcement; however, a detailed schedule (subject to change) will be posted on the event web site (www.seattleskatingclub.net) as soon as possible following the close of entries. (Entries close on September 1, 2015). As soon as the schedule is finalized it will be available on the competition website and on EntryEeze (www.entryeeze.com).

ACCOMMODATIONS

Please make your reservations early to guarantee you have the necessary room(s). All hotel information may also be viewed on the event website (www.seattleskatingclub.net) and on EntryEeze (www.entryeeze.com).

OFFICIAL HOTEL:

Homewood Suites by Hilton Seattle Lynnwood

18123 Alderwood Mall Parkway

Lynnwood, WA 98037

Phone: 425-670-8943

www.seattleyllynwood.homewoodsuites.com

Please call hotel for reservations.

OTHER HOTELS:

Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle-North/Lynnwood

20610 44th Avenue West

Lynnwood, WA 98036

Phone: 425-775-2500

Please call hotel direct for reservations.

www.seattlenorthlynnwood.embassysuites.com

Hilton Garden Inn by Hilton Seattle Bothell

22600 Bothell Everett Hwy

Bothell, WA 98021

Phone: 425-486-0400

Please call hotel for reservations.

www.seattlebothell.hiltongardeninn.com

Hampton Inn & Suites Seattle North Lynnwood

19324 Alderwood Mall Pkwy

Lynnwood, WA 98036

Phone: 425-771-1888

Please call hotel for reservations

www.seattlenorthlynnwood.hamptoninnandsuites.com

TRANSPORTATION

Seattle Tacoma International Airport (SEA) is the closest airport located 30 miles south of Olympic View Ice Arena. Car rentals may be booked ahead online (recommended). Shuttle Express Service is available at kiosk at airport –costs vary to destination per person (recommend that this is booked in advance). Most local hotels offer shuttle service to and from the arena if booked in advance and available at the time requested.

PRACTICE ICE

Practice Ice shall be scheduled through Entryeeze for all events. **Each competitor may request one \$20.00/ 30min, practice session PER event entered.** Skaters will be able to pick their own practice ice sessions online, but you MUST indicate number of sessions you want online when you register and MUST pay for them when you register online. You will receive an email with instructions on choosing practice ice time after the schedule has been set. Every effort will be made to schedule Practice ice sessions as close to the competition as possible, however this is not guaranteed. *Depending on the size of the competition, practice ice selection might be limited to one or two time choices. Practice Ice not pre--ordered will be sold on a first come-first serve basis, but we cannot guarantee additional practice sessions. If space permits, we will allow additional practice ice sales online for \$23.00/30 minutes per session after the schedule has been posted and those that pre-registered for sessions have had time to select their sessions. If space permits, additional practice ice will be available for purchase during the competition for \$25.00/30 minutes at the registration desk. **No Changes - No Refunds.** *Practice ice money is non refundable, and you may not assign your practice ice to another skater.* Additional practice ice time may be held at Lynnwood Ice Center, as needed.

Practice Ice Schedules: will not be given over the phone but will be available at the Entryeeze website when available.

All applicable ancillary forms must be provided to the LOC address below, postmarked and/or received no later than September 1, 2015, including payment to Seattle Skating Club.

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SINGLES FREE SKATING EVENTS

See current rulebook or click [here](#) for current rules and requirements.

The following single free skating events are being offered:

Well Balanced Program Free Skate
Non-test
Pre-Preliminary
Preliminary
Pre-Juvenile
Open Juv.
Open Intermediate

Well Balanced Program Free Skate:

Non-Test – Juvenile/Open Juv. - See the Well Balanced Program Free Skate requirements [here](#).

Open Intermediate – Rules and requirements for Open Intermediate are the same as Intermediate freeskate. However, skaters must be age 18 or older **before** close of registration. See the Well Balanced Program Free Skate requirements [here](#), requirements are the same as for Intermediate Free Skate.

PAIRS FREE SKATING EVENTS

Pairs events will be conducted in accordance with the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook. Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, program length, etc.

A. Pre-juvenile - See 2015-16 Pairs Free Skate Requirements [here](#).

COUPLES DANCE EVENTS - Amended 8/10/2015.

All charts have been updated with changes from the U.S. Figure Skating Governing Council and ISU Congress that will go into effect July 1, 2015. Please follow the links to the charts.

Couples Dance: Pattern dance events may be conducted in flights, at the discretion of the Referee. All dance couples shall consist of a lady and a man. The pattern dance event at each level will consist of two pattern dances, and the pattern dance or short dance and free dance events at each level will be conducted as separate events. The second pattern dance listed in each event will

be the second dance skated and, in accordance with Rule 1060, will be the tie breaking dance in the event of any ordinal tie. Dance couples may provide their own music for Pre-Juvenile pattern dances in accordance with Rules 6251C, 6241A1, 6231A1, and 6221A1, respectively. Otherwise, pattern dance music will be as provided by the Dance Referee.

A. Pre-Juvenile Pattern Dance. See the list of Pattern Dances Drawn for 2015-16 [here](#).

B. Pre-Juvenile Free Dance. See the 2015-16 Free Dance Requirements [here](#).

SOLO DANCE EVENTS (NON-SOLO DANCE SERIES EVENTS)

Solo Dance events will be conducted in accordance with the [U.S. Figure Skating rulebook](#). Athletes and coaches are responsible for going to the U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for rules, etc.

SOLO FREE DANCE

A. Pre-Juv. Required elements can be found at usfsa.org (TR 64..01). Pre-Juv will use the same requirements as are listed for Juv; however, there are no age or test requirements for Pre-Juv Solo Free Dance.