



**Connecticut Synchronized Skating Classic
Hamden Figure Skating Club
February 19-20, 2022**

The Connecticut Synchronized Skating Classic 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](#).

SERIES INFORMATION: This event is proud to participate in the National Synchronized Skating Series. Participation in this series is open to all levels. Teams must register for the series prior to the competition start date if they wish for that competition's results to be counted towards the series. Visit usfigureskating.org for more information on this series. Results of this competition for participating teams will be reported to U.S. Figure Skating for generation of the series results.

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

- Masks are not required for fully vaccinated people unless specifically required by the facility hosting the event.
- Masks are required by people not fully vaccinated regardless of facility policies.
- Coaches and Team Service personnel may not exceed 6 persons (max. 4 coaches and 2 TSP).
- Spectators will be allowed at the venue. The number of spectators is subject to change based on the current state and local guidelines.
- U.S. Figure Skating Waivers are a requirement for ALL athletes. The online waivers must be completed via [Members Only](#) prior to the competition, instructions can be found [here](#).

ELIGIBILITY/TEST AND AGE REQUIREMENTS:

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

Skaters must meet the age requirements by the July 1 preceding this competition.

- Moves in the field test requirements are as of the entry deadline.

COMPETITION REGISTRATION:

- Registration deadline: February 5, 2022 at 11:59 PM ET
- Roster Change deadline: February 12, 2022 11:59 PM ET
- All entries must be made using the [EMS system](#)

All teams are required to register online via the U.S. Figure Skating [Event Management System \(EMS\)](#). Anyone listed as a team manager or coach for a team in their Members Only Team Profile will be able to access the registration system. Registration for the competition is not considered final until online payment has been received. Online payment via credit card is the only form of accepted payment for registration in EMS.

EVENTS OFFERED AND ENTRY FEES:

To see the current synchronized skating handbook/technical information and current ISU communications: [CLICK HERE](#) or on the event offered below.

Aspire Synchro events will be run in accordance with the Learn to Skate USA Compete USA Manual (a maximum of 6 teams per group).

For Aspire levels, teams may choose to skate up one level if they would like more of a challenge.

Aspire Synchro Events			
Event Offered	Judging System	Team Fee	Skater Fee
Snowplow Sam	6.0	\$60	\$12
Aspire Beginner	6.0	\$60	\$12
Aspire Pre-Preliminary	6.0	\$60	\$12
Aspire Preliminary	6.0	\$60	\$12
6.0 Events			
Event Offered	Judging System	Team Fee	Skater Fee
Open Collegiate	6.0	\$325	\$30
Open Adult	6.0	\$325	\$30
Open Masters	6.0	\$325	\$30
IJS Events			
Event Offered	Judging System	Team Fee	Skater Fee
Preliminary	IJS*	\$325	\$30
Pre-Juvenile	IJS	\$325	\$30
Open Juvenile	IJS	\$325	\$30
Juvenile	IJS	\$325	\$30
Intermediate	IJS	\$325	\$30
Novice	IJS	\$325	\$30
Junior Combined (Short & Free)	IJS	\$375	\$30
Senior Combined (Short & Free)	IJS	\$375	\$30

This competition is a standard U.S. Figure Skating Synchronized Skating Nonqualifying Competition.



Collegiate	IJS	\$325	\$30
Adult	IJS	\$325	\$30
Masters	IJS	\$325	\$30

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists, or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

FACILITIES:

People's United Center
305 Sherman Ave
Hamden CT 06518

The People's United Center is a 185,000-square-foot facility with basketball and hockey arenas joined by a common lobby area and university club.

The Rink is a standard NHL surface (200' x 85') with hockey lines.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS: This event will follow the Locker Rooms and Changing Area policy included in the [SafeSport Handbook](#).

Athletes will not be permitted to change in pop-up tents inside the facility or on the facility grounds.

MUSIC AND PPC:

All teams are required to upload their competition music, and if competing in an IJS event, submit their planned program content to their Team Portal in EMS *by* music and PPC deadline as indicated below. All music and PPC submissions must be made via the Team Portal in the [Event Management System \(EMS\)](#) under the Music and Program Content Tab. After the deadline, music and PPCs can no longer be uploaded online. Questions regarding upload? Email productsupport@USFigureSkating.org.

MUSIC DEADLINE: 02/12/2022 at 11:59 PM ET

PPC DEADLINE: 02/12/2022 at 11:59 PM ET

*** PLEASE HAVE SEPARATE CDs FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION BACKUP***

LIABILITY: U.S. Figure Skating, (Hamden Figure Skating Club), and (People's United Center / Quinnipiac University) 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.

ON SITE CHECK IN: Check in will begin February 20, 2022. The check-in table will be located in the lobby of the rink

Check in will be open one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. One team representative should check in on behalf of the team as soon as the team arrives at the competition. Team personnel (coaches, team managers and team service personnel) must check in separately to receive their credential (see requirements below).

COMPLIANCE AND CREDENTIALING:

Each team will receive a maximum of four coach credentials and two team service personnel credentials, as well as one credential for each skater on the competition roster. To receive a credential at the


competition, team personnel (coaches and team service personnel) and any mandatory athletes must meet all compliance requirements for the current season.

All team personnel and skaters who will need to receive a credential must be listed in the Team Portal for the competition (Team Personnel for coaches and team managers; Competition Roster for skaters and alternates).

The local organizing committee/club will have a list of team personnel who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Team personnel will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo ID to receive a credential. Team personnel who are **NOT** on the list will need to show proof of compliance, as required by your role with the team, and a photo ID at check-in.

If a team personnel cannot provide a photo ID 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 team personnel to have their compliance cards with them. Non-credentialed coaches will not be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events, including practice sessions. Non-credentialed team personnel will not be permitted in any team designated areas.

The local organizing committee/club will also have a list of mandatory athletes who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Mandatory athletes will not be required to check-in independently from the team, but the athletes' credentials should be pulled, and the team flagged for review at check-in. Any mandatory athlete that cannot provide proof of SafeSport completion will not be allowed a credential or participation in the competition – *no exceptions*. We strongly urge all team managers and mandatory athletes to maintain a copy of proof of compliance with them at the time of check-in.

* Items noted with a red star below are accessible via U.S. Figure Skating Members Only Website: www.usfsaonline.org → Person Icon  or Account → Member Profile → Compliance

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 \(PSA\)](#).

Foreign Coach/Choreographer:

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

Team Service Personnel (if 18 years of age or older):

- ✓ Submit information, pay for and successfully pass an annual background check through U.S. Figure Skating in Members Only. No other form of background check will be accepted. *
- ✓ Complete SafeSport certification. *

Mandatory Athletes:

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e. synchro, dance, pairs, 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 for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice is mandatory for all teams competing under IJS

All Practices will be held at the People's United Center.

- **FEES And Length of time:**
 - 8 minutes: \$100. Juvenile, Open Juvenile, Pre-Juvenile, Preliminary, Adult, Masters, Open Collegiate, Open Adult, Open Masters, Synchro Skills 1, 2, 3, and Snowplow Sam
 - 10 minutes: \$125. Senior SP, Junior SP, Novice FS, Intermediate FS.
 - 12 minutes for \$150. Junior FS, Senior FS, and Collegiate FS only.
- **How it will be scheduled:** Assignment of unofficial practice ice will be on a first come, first served basis, and scheduled at the discretion of the Chief Referee, after mandatory practice ice is assigned.
- Practice ice schedule will be posted as soon as available on <https://www.ctsynchroclassic.com/>

How to Purchase Practice Ice:

1. Purchase Practice ice via EMS for the total number of segments requested
 - a. The practice ice tab will become available during the configured "pre-purchase" window. The total number of segments your team purchases cannot be guaranteed. Any segments that cannot be scheduled by the LOC will be refunded to the team.
2. Complete the Mandatory Team Information form:

PHOTO/VIDEO: Professional videos will be taken of teams during the competition. Synchro Skills 1-3 must purchase the videography package separately. Included in your entry fee each team will receive all videos and a link will be provided prior to the event for live streaming should it be available

Note, per [U.S. Figure Skating policy](#), photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own team is strictly prohibited.

AWARDS: Award ceremonies will be held throughout the event in a designated area. Medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained at the lobby of the rink
It is the responsibility of the team personnel to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information.

The official schedule of events will be posted no later than 7 calendar days prior to the start of the competition.

VOLUNTEER INFO: In order to run a successful competition, we are always in need of volunteers. We have positions available for everyone. If you are interested in helping out please send an email to ctsynchronskatingclassic@gmail.com and we will be happy to work with you.

Click [here](#) for sample volunteer positions

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 a background check, 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 *

* Accessible via U.S. Figure Skating Members Only website:
www.usfsaonline.org → Person Icon (insert icon?) or Account → Member Profile → Compliance

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition website: <https://www.ctsynchroclassic.com/>

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair:	Shari Hough	ctsynchronskatingclassic@gmail.com	203-592-2372
Chief Referee:	Laura days	Lekdays@aol.com	617-529-2120

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

ADVERTISING: Visit our website <https://www.ctsynchroclassic.com/> for information about advertising in our program book or on our website

SOUVENIRS: Vendors selling skating merchandise, including competition logo wear will be available in lobby.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Teams are encouraged to make arrangements as soon as possible. See our website for approved hotel venues to be used for the competition (<https://www.ctsynchroclassic.com/>)

COMPETITION SCHEDULE: The competition schedule will be emailed to the team contact and posted at <https://www.ctsynchroclassic.com/> when made available by the chief referee.

ADMISSION:

\$20 for adults

\$10 for seniors or children age 5-12

Children 5 and under are free