



1st Annual Paradise Coast Classic

Florida Everblades Figure Skating Club

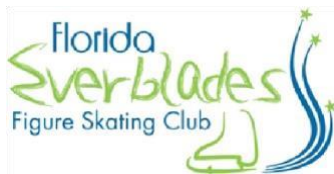
Friday, June 9th -Sunday, June 11th, 2023

Deadline: **Sunday, April 30, 2023, at 11:59 PM ET**

Hertz Arena

11000 Everblades Parkway

Estero, FL 33928



I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The Paradise Coast Classic will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or current Compete USA handbook 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.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, Learn to Skate USA member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

Note - *Well Balanced Short Program (*Junior ONLY 2023-2024 program requirements)

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, [CLICK HERE](#).

SERIES INFORMATION:

2023 Solo Dance Series: This competition has been approved as a 2023 Solo Dance Series host. Skaters must register to participate in the Solo Dance Series prior to competition at designated competitions in order to have their points recorded and seen in standings. [Solo Dance Series Registration](#) | [Solo Dance Series Information](#)

II. ELIGIBILITY

TEST LEVEL:

As of December 1, 2022, singles athletes may opt to accelerate their test progression within U.S. Figure Skating and thus compete at level(s) best suited for their technical skillset. Athletes must still meet the minimum requirements for each level and additionally, if participating within the National Qualifying Series (NQS) or National Excel Series (Excel), they will establish a competitive floor (i.e., the lowest level they can compete at).

The competitive floor is determined only by the level selected through the EMS Series Application for NQS or Excel and is not uniquely tied to competition registration (regardless of series participation).

Example, if an athlete passed their junior free skate test in November and competed in the 2022-23 NQS as a Novice from July - September, they may register for either novice or junior in excel or wellbalanced events. The novice level will remain their competitive floor until they complete an EMS Series Application at the junior level or higher for NQS or Excel.

Example #2, if an athlete passed their juvenile free skate but has not competed in NQS or Excel (i.e., they have not established a competitive floor), they have the option to compete pre-preliminary – intermediate (if skate up is permitted). While the options are wide, U.S. Figure Skating entrusts the coach to guide the athlete to select the appropriate level for the athlete based on their technical skillset.

Eligibility Notes:

1. The singles free skate test levels will remain as a minimum requirement to compete.
2. Athletes may not skate down in any event.
3. This update does NOT apply to Adult, Showcase and Solo Dance.

If an athlete, coach, parent and/or guardian needs assistance with confirming their eligibility, email events@usfigureskating.org or refer to information sheet [HERE](#).

EVENTS OFFERED: *Note All events include video as detailed under Photo/Video [Click HERE](#) to view the program requirements for the current season.

SINGLES	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Excel Free Skate (Beginner- Juvenile)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Excel Free Skate (Plus Events and Intermediate – Senior)	IJS	\$150	\$120
Well Balanced Short Program (Open Juvenile- Senior) * <i>(Junior* 2023-2024 program requirements)</i>	IJS	\$150	\$120
Well Balanced Free Skate (No Test – Preliminary)	IJS	\$150	\$120
Well Balanced Free Skate (Pre-Juvenile-Senior)	IJS	\$150	\$120
Adult Free Skate (Silver– Master Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult (Beginner- Bronze)	6.0	\$120	\$90
PARTNERED ICE DANCE	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Pattern Dance (Juvenile-Novice) 2023-2024 Dances	IJS	\$150	\$120
Pattern Dance (Pre- Juvenile)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Rhythm Dance	IJS	\$150	\$120
Free Dance	IJS	\$150	\$120
PARTNERED ICE DANCE	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Adult Pattern Dance	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult Free Dance	6.0	\$120	\$90
SPECIALTY	JUDGING	1 st Event Price	2 nd Event Price
Compulsory Moves (No Test–Senior)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$120	\$90

Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult Jumps Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult Spins Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Step Sequence (Pre-Pre.–Senior)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult Step Sequences (Adult Pre-Bronze–Masters Sr)	6.0	\$120	\$90
SHOWCASE	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Emotional Performance (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Choreographic Artistry (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Lyrical Pop (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Character Performance (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Comedic Impressions (No Test - Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Duets/Trios (No Test – Senior, Adult)	6.0	\$120	\$90
Interpretive	6.0	\$120	\$90
NATIONAL SOLO DANCE SERIES EVENTS	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Solo Pattern Dance	IJS	\$150	\$120
Solo Combined Dance	IJS	\$150	\$120
Shadow Dance	IJS	\$150	\$120
SOLO DANCE (Not Part of Series)	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Adult Solo Pattern Dance	6.0	\$120	\$90
Adult Solo Free Dance	6.0	\$120	\$90
COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$90	\$60
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$90	\$60
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$90	\$60
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$90	\$60
Compete USA – Showcase	6.0	\$90	\$60
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$90	\$60
Adult 1-6, Beginner – Bronze Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$90	\$60

SKATESAFE® COMPLIANCE:

For full details about SkateSafe® compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® webpage: www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe.

COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Online registrations will be accepted via [EMS](#). Payment must be made at the time of registration by credit card only. Each transaction includes a 3% transaction fee.

Registration Deadline: April 30, 2023, at 11:59 PM ET

Late Registration Deadline: May 7, 2023, at 11:59 PM ET + \$50 Late Fee

1. Go to www.usfsaonline.org.
2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or if Compete USA events are offered, your Learn to Skate USA member number and password.
 - a. If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at memberservices@usfigureskating.org.
3. Click EMS then “Competition Registration”
4. Choose “**Paradise Coast Classic**” from the list of nonqualifying competitions.
 - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

PARTNERED EVENTS:

Only one partner will 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.

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 “Nonmember? Create Account” option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

TEST CREDIT:

Test credit will be available at this competition. If interested, you will find “test credit” as an event during the registration process. Choose the event (as you would with a single event) and

the fee will be added to your cart. Skaters that meet the requirements for test credit may request their test credit forms at the registration desk. This MUST be requested onsite and will not be available after the last IJS event has ended and the competition has ended. Take a picture of all documents for safe keeping. A fee of \$30 will be charged.

CRITIQUES

Critiques will be offered to Partnered Dance Events Only, at the conclusion of ALL Partnered Dance Events. \$75 per team. Please email fefsc@fefsc.org by April 30, 2023, for payment instructions, and to be added to schedule.

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than May 21, 2023 @ 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. **DEADLINE: May 21, 2023 @ 11:59 PM ET (or be subject to a \$25 Late Fee)**

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

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rink side whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector, an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required to be attached. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode and volume turned to maximum.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD – FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY:

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than May 21, 2023 @ 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.

DEADLINE: DATE: May 21, 2023 @ 11:59 PM ET (or be subject to a \$25 Late Fee)

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

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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.

LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA, Florida Everblades Figure Skating Club and Hertz Arena accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

IV. COMPETITION DETAILS

FACILITIES:

All events will be held at Hertz Arena 11000 Everblades Pkwy, Estero, FL 33928. It is located at exit #123 off Interstate 75. Hertz Arena is conveniently located next to the Miromar Outlet Mall. Beautiful beaches, upscale shopping, and restaurants are only minutes away. Naples is located 13 miles south. Hertz Arena, the proud home of the Florida Everblades Hockey Team, has two full size recreational rinks which measure 185 ft X 85 ft. The facility also hosts a Pro Shop, as well as a snack bar. (We do not yet know if the snack shop will be open)

Locker rooms and Changing Areas

Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but changing will not be permitted in these spaces.

U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be always adhered to during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:

Our official website is: <http://fefsc.org/paradise> The link for IJS/Schedule and live scoring will be posted on our webpage. An official bulletin board will be maintained near the registration desk at Hertz 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.

SCHEDULE

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

PRACTICE ICE:

Sales: We will sell practice ice sessions in advance (pre-purchase during registration window, click practice ice button on [EMS Competition Portal](#) after you have completed registration). After the schedule of competition is published, skaters can select “pre purchased sessions”. After selection window closes, we will open additional open practice ice sales. All practice ice will be available for purchase online only through the [EMS Competition Portal](#). A timeline for practice ice sales periods will be available for viewing on the competition information page of your [EMS Competition 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.

PRICING:

- [Pre-Purchase](#) practice ice fee (1/event) \$25.00 **Deadline April 30, 2023, at 11:59 PM ET.**

- [Open Sales](#) practice ice fee (unlimited) \$30.00

Practice Ice is 20 min in length. **Music will NOT be played.** practice ice MAY be offered each day of competition but is not guaranteed to be on the day of your event. Earbuds and wireless headphones or any other music devices will not be allowed on practice ice sessions or warmups associated with any events in this competition. Props are NOT allowed on practice ice sessions.

Maximum of two Practice Ice sessions may be requested per skater per eligible event. Any questions, contact ProductSupport@usfigureskating.org.

ONSITE CHECK-IN:

Check-in will open at the start of competition. (1 hour prior to first event and run through last event on the last day)

AWARDS:

Medals will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place winners in each group in each event. Skaters may collect their medal in the registration area anytime following the posting of results of their event.

NOTE: Compete USA events should have no more than six competitors in a group, and all six should receive an award. In the Solo Dance combined event, and Partnered Dance combined event, medals will be awarded only for the final combined placement.

First through Third Place Trophies will be awarded for IJS events, **Juvenile through Senior only**, in Well Balanced, Solo Combined Dance, and Partnered Combined Dance.

Free Skate - Skaters who earn the top 3 points with their combined Short and Free Skate program scores. Short and Free Skate programs must be skated at the same level to be considered for points. There must be 5 or more skaters at a level for trophies to be awarded.

Partnered Dance/Solo Dance - Juvenile through Novice -Skaters who earn the top 3 points with their combined Pattern and Free Dance program scores. Junior and Senior-Skaters who earn the top 3 points with their combined Rhythm and Free Dance program scores. *Combined programs must be skated at the same level to be considered for points. There must be 5 or more skaters at a level for trophies to be awarded.

VOLUNTEER INFO:

Volunteer signups will be linked from our competition page <http://fefsc.org/paradise>

VOLUNTEER COMPLIANCE:

Reminder: Compliant positions at all U.S. Figure Skating events include key LOC members, locker room monitors and ALL medical event personnel. [Click here for volunteer compliance information.](#)

PHOTO/VIDEO:

Professional video and live streaming of the events will be provided by Gabriele Photo during the competition. **Video is included with entry fees** and will be emailed to skaters with the email address used at sign-up. Each competitor will receive all their event Videos free of charge via emailed download link within 2 weeks of the competition's conclusion.

Note, per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own skater is strictly prohibited.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Lodging/Hotels

Our organization has teamed up with a local non-profit, Lee County Sports Housing, to offer discounted hotel accommodation for this event.

A team of local reservation specialists will share their knowledge of each property's amenities, also the best beaches, attractions, shopping, and restaurants. Reservation specialists are available Monday through Friday, 9AM – 5PM Eastern Time by calling 239-541-1800.

Discounted rates are only available by calling the above number or reserving DIRECTLY through the event's housing website link: <https://groups.reservetravel.com/group.aspx?id=65009>

Airport information:

Southwest Florida International Airport (10 minutes away)

Vendors

Please check our website to see our fabulous vendors. <http://fefsc.org/paradisevendors>

CONTACT INFORMATION:

<http://fefsc.org/paradise>

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair:	Kristy Russo	kristyr@fefsc.org
Competition Chair:	Michelle Creech	michellec@fefsc.org
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Dance Referee	Diana Wisner	Dianask8r@mac.com