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2026 PACIFIC NORTHWEST INTERCLUB (PNIC) SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS / APPLE ICE CLASSIC

National Qualifying Series (NQS)

&

Non-Qualifying Competition

August 13-16, 2026

IJS Judging System will be used for Singles Only

Preliminary - Senior

Hosted by Wenatchee Figure Skating Club

TO BE HELD AT

Town Toyota Arena

1300 Walla Walla Ave

Wenatchee, WA 98801

SANCTIONED BY



Entry Deadline: 8:59 PM PST July 13, 2026

Find current information on the web at: <http://www.pacificwinterclub.com/pnic-competition.html> or
<https://wenatcheefsc.org/apple-ice-classic>

Registration is ONLINE ONLY @ EMS



The PNIC Skating Championships/Apple Ice 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, ASPIRE member, Learn to Skate USA® member of a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to [rulebook](#) for more information.

2026 PNW BASIC SKILL SERIES:

AIC is an approved competition for 2026 PNW Basic Skills Series. If you are signed up with PNW Basic Skill Series, your scores will be sent to PNIC. If you have not signed up, you need to sign up before you compete. Skaters must compete in a minimum of three (3) competitions. This year's series will include competitions at PNIC and OSC Clubs and/or associated rink LTS programs from **Oct 2025** through **Aug 16, 2026** (see website for approved competitions). Invitations to our PNW Basic Skills Series Championship will be sent out by August 31, 2026. Click here for more [PNW Basic Skills Series information](#).

I. COMPETITION DETAILS

FACILITIES:

Facility Name: Town Toyota Center

Facility Address: 1399 Walla Walla Ave, Wenatchee, WA 98801

Both the main arena, and the community rink for practice, the ice surfaces are 85' X 200', with slightly rounded corners. The arena viewing area is comfortable for viewers in the main arena and colder in the practice rink.

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

Locker rooms and changing areas **will not be available** for 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. Mats and seating will be available outside of the credentialed access area for those skaters that need help with their skates. There is adequate concourse space for warming up and stretching.

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 adhered to at all times 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:

An official bulletin board will be maintained near 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. All starting orders and results will be posted online. A QR code will be provided at the registration desk and on the [PNIC website](#) or [WFSC website](#).

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:

Practice Ice must be purchased at time of registration. All Practice will be Unofficial with no music played. The practice ice sessions will be \$25 per 20-minute session, per person. Practice ice is initially limited to two sessions per entered event. After the schedule is determined, Open Sales will commence in EMS for \$30/session. On-Site Sales will be available during the competition days for \$35/session. Skaters must check in with the ice monitor prior to taking the ice. No refunds will be given to those who do not attend their reserved practice ice. **A \$10 change fee will be assessed for switching practice ice sessions at the registration desk during the competition dates.**

ONSITE CHECK-IN:

Check-in will open each day, at a minimum of 1 hour before start of competition or practice ice, whichever comes first.

Registration Desk will be located at the main entrance of the Town Toyota Arena. You must check-in and receive your credential before proceeding to the practice rink.

If you are participating in a role requiring compliance, please be sure to [download or print your compliance card](#) to verify your compliance status on-site, if requested. If you believe your compliance card does not accurately reflect your compliance status, please contact skatesafe@usfigureskating.org at least 2 business days prior to the competition for assistance.

AWARDS:

Awards for 1st through 4th for all qualifying events and Basic Skills 1-6 and Aspire 1-4 will be awarded for 1st through 6th. All awards will be available immediately following the official posting of each event in the main lobby area. Award photos may be taken by a professional photography for purchase. We ask that all award winners pose for the group pictures even if you do not plan to purchase a picture. An additional area will be set up for parents to take pictures or selfies.



Note: - Any participant who is a member of a PNIC Club is eligible to apply for PNIC Skater Grant if you advance to a U.S. Figure Skating Championships & National High Performance Development Team Camp, or Adult Nationals, only if competed in PNIC Championships. More information on how to apply is available on our [PNIC website](#).

VOLUNTEER INFO:

As you know it takes many people to run a successful competition. If you have a few hours to volunteer and help out, please sign up at our online volunteer registration page found on the [PNIC website](#) or [WFSC website](#).

VIDEO:

Pro-Mix Sound and Video will be providing videography and all registered skaters' fee includes an email download of their events. Any other professional photography/videography is prohibited. All other videotaping is restricted to hand-held battery-operated equipment, without tripod, and is permissible only in the general viewing area. **Video recording or photography of any skater other than your own is strictly prohibited.** Please be courteous to those viewing the event. Solicitation by any photographer or agent of anyone to be the subject of still or video photography is not permitted. For safety reasons, **no flash photography is allowed during the event.**

ADMISSION:

No admission will be charged. All events are open to spectators.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Visit the [PNIC website](#) or [WFSC website](#) for current information regarding accommodations.

CHIEF 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, unsportsmanlike or against the COVID-19 protocol set forth by the LOC. Additionally, the Chief Referee reserves the right to combine or split events to best accommodate the number of entries and schedule of events.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition [PNIC website](#) or [WFSC website](#).

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair:	Pam Dawson-LeMarr	pnwinterclub@gmail.com
Chief Referee:	Carylyn Landt	clandt@ucsd.edu

II. ELIGIBILITY

Singles: Excel and Championship Track Events:

- Skaters must meet at least the minimum singles test requirements for the event's level. A skater's singles test level may be higher than the minimum requirement.



- Skate Up: skaters may skate up one level higher than their minimum test requirement allows.
- Skaters may not register for an event level lower than allowed by their competitive floor. An athlete's competitive floor is set by one of the following scenarios:
- Skaters are not permitted to enter an Excel free skate and a Well-Balanced free skate event at the same competition (example: Juvenile Girls Free Skate and Juvenile Girls Excel Free Skate). However, they are permitted to enter an Excel and a Well-Balanced event of different types such as a short program (if stand-alone event option), specialty or showcase events (example: Intermediate Women Short Program and Intermediate Women Excel Free Skate).
 - If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the NQS series, the event level registered for in the most recent NQS will become the lowest level they may compete at in any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event.
 - If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the Excel Series, the event level registered for in the most recent Excel series will become the lowest level they may compete in any Excel event. For Well-Balanced and Specialty events the skater will be permitted to register at one level lower than the "floor" set by their excel series entry.
 - If an athlete has never had a paid EMS series application in the NQS or Excel series, the athlete may select their level based on their goals and technical skills as long as the minimum test requirements are met.
- For more details about establishing event levels, refer to information sheet [HERE](#) or email events@usfigureskating.org.

EVENTS OFFERED:

- **U.S. Figure Skating Program Requirements:** usfigureskating.org --> Skate --> Compete --> [Program Requirements](#)
- **Compete USA Program Requirements:** learntoskateusa.com/competeusa
- **Skate United: For any Skate United (S.U.) Athlete,** please have them register for their appropriate level under the "standard" option. Once the registration is complete, the following form must be submitted to the competition chair via email at pnwinterclub@gmail.com.
 - Click here for the [Skate United Athlete Form](#).
 - If you have questions about how to support Skate United Athletes at your competition, email events@usfigureskating.org.
- **Skating Accommodation Memorandum (S.A.M.):** Skaters using a S.A.M. must submit their S.A.M. to the competition chair via email at pnwinterclub@gmail.com.
 - [Click here for more information about S.A.Ms.](#)
 - If you have questions about how to support skaters using S.M.S., email events@usfigureskating.org.



ENTRY FEES:

NATIONAL QUALIFY SERIES (NQS) EVENTS SINGLES	JUDGING	1st Event Price	Add'l 1st Non-Qual	Add'l Non-Qual
Championship Track Free Skate (Preliminary - Juvenile)	IJS	\$185	\$75	\$50
Championship Track Combined (Intermediate-Senior)	IJS	\$275	\$75	\$50
Non-Qualifying Events SINGLES	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price	Addtl Event Price
Excel Free Skate (Preliminary-Senior, including "Plus" events)	IJS	\$185	\$75	\$50
Excel Free Skate (Pre-Preliminary)	CJS	\$150	\$75	\$50
Well Balance Free Skate – Pre-Preliminary	CJS	\$150	\$75	\$50
Adult Free Skate (Adult Bronze – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$185	\$75	\$50
Adult Beginner & High Beginner, Pre-Bronze Free Skate	CJS	\$150	\$75	\$50
SHOWCASE	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price	Addtl Event Price
Emotional Performance (Pre-Preliminary – Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$135	\$75	\$50
Choreographic Artistry (Pre-Preliminary - Senior)	CJS	\$135	\$75	\$50
Lyrical Pop (Pre-Preliminary - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$135	\$75	\$50
Character Performance (Pre-Preliminary - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$135	\$75	\$50
Comedic Impressions (Pre-Preliminary - Senior, Adult)	CJS	\$135	\$75	\$50
Theme Event (Pre-Preliminary-Senior, Adult Pre-Bronze-Masters)	CJS	\$135	\$75	\$50
Duets (Pre-Preliminary – Senior)	CJS	\$110 + \$10 add'l skater	NA	NA
COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price	Addtl Event Price
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/Music	CJS	\$85	\$50	NA
Aspire 1-4 Program w/Music	CJS	\$85	\$50	NA
Adult 1-6 Program w/Music	CJS	\$85	\$50	NA
Compete USA – Showcase	CJS	\$85	\$50	NA
Compete USA – Showcase Duets	CJS	\$100 + \$10 add'l skater	NA	NA
ADAPTIVE	JUDGING	1st Event Price	2nd Event Price	Addtl Event Price
Special Olympics Badges 2 - 12	CJS	\$85	\$50	NA
Special Olympics – Free Skate Program	CJS	\$85	\$50	NA



OUR COMMUNITY:

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understanding its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

NON-DISCRIMINATION:

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® Program receives, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the [SkateSafe® Program Handbook](#) for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating's Code of Ethics (*GR 1.01*) and Code of Conduct (*GR 1.02*), as detailed within the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe or email SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org.

ATHLETE ASSISTANCE/ACCOMMODATIONS:

Should a skater with disabilities require any specific accommodations or assistance for their competitive event, please submit your approved S.A.M to the Competition Chair by the registration deadline at pnwinterclub@gmail.com.

COMPLIANCE:

For full details about participant compliance requirements, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® webpage: <https://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe#compliance>

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 two categories, Coach Compliance (includes choreographers) and Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Compliance. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found in Members Only, click the blue "COACH" button. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

Any coach attending the competition must be included within a skater's series application AND individual competition registration via EMS. Any coaches declared at the time of registration will be



included in the skater's registration confirmation email and have access to the EMS Coach Portal. Note, there is no registration approval process within EMS as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating database. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

All National Qualifying Series coaches must meet the criteria below:

- ✓ 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 have completed the U.S. Figure Skating Coach Core Certification (once in a career requirement).
- ✓ Must have joined Coach I.C.E. (the official program for coach certification, education, and development/ annual requirement.)
- ✓ 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 and the Coaching Standards of Professionalism.
- ✓ 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.

Liability

U.S. Figure Skating, the host club(s) and/or interclub association, the organizing committee and the ice arenas utilized for these events accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in these National Qualifying Series events (U.S. Figure Skating Rule 1600).

Coaches of foreign athletes: If you are a coach of a foreign athlete only, you are not subject to U.S. Figure Skating coach compliance and will only be asked to provide a letter of good standing for the federation your athlete represents.

With EMS, coaches must be included within a skater/team's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal via "[My Coaches](#)" or "Team Personnel." All coaches declared at the time of registration will be included in the registration confirmation email. Note: There is no registration approval process within EMS as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating



database. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

EMS Coach Resources (not SYS or TOI):

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

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS:

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% Processing Fee.

Registration Deadline: **Monday, July 13, 2026, at 8:59 pm PT (11:59pm ET)**

Late Registration Deadline: Late entries will **NOT** be accepted other than at the discretion of the Chief Referee per the approved waiting list and will be subject to a \$50 late entry fee. Entry fees are per event, in U.S. dollars. There will be NO refund after the entry due date unless the event is canceled by PNIC. **After the closure of registration any change of Event &/or Level is at the discretion of the Chief Referee and will be charged a \$25 change fee.**

*The host club reserves the right to close registration at any time if event capacity is met

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 "**YOUR COMPETITION NAME**" from the list of nonqualifying competitions.

If you need assistance completing your registration, contact productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

PARTNERED EVENTS (Duets):

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 "Non-Member? Create Account" option on the [Members Only](#) login page.



TEST CREDIT:

Test Credit is only available for Excel/ Championship Track Freeskate Program (Preliminary and up) and only if registered/bought prior to the entry deadline. In EMS select "Test Credit" for a fee of \$15, payable at checkout. If requested after the deadline of entry no later than 24 hours before their event, an additional **late fee of \$50** will be added and must be paid before receiving credential. Test Credit Packets will be handed out after the event is done, and the event results have been posted, at the registration desk.

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music in EntryEeze no later than close of registration **July 20, 2026, 8:59pm PT**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$50 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: July 20, 2026, 8:59pm PT. LATE FEE: \$50

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 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 with auto lock off, phone in airplane mode, volume turned to maximum, and phone unlocked.

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

Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **July 20, 2026, 8:59pm PST**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EntryEeze and subject to a **\$50 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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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®, Pacific Northwest Interclub, Wenatchee Figure Skating, and Town Toyota 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.