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## Fort Collins Classic April 9-12, 2026

**Fort Collins Figure Skating Club**

**Edora Pool and Ice Center (EPIC)**

**1801 Riverside Ave  
Fort Collins Colorado 80525**

**Competition Chairs:**

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**Participating in Competition Series:**



## **I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW**

For Collins 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, (if offering Compete USA events) 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.

### **SERIES INFORMATION:**

Fort Collins Classic will be a part of the Compete USA Series.

## **II. ELIGIBILITY**

### **Singles: Excel and Well-Balanced 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.
  - o 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:
  - o 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.
  - o 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.
  - o 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.
- 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).
- For more details about establishing event levels, refer to the information sheet [HERE](#) or email [events@usfigureskating.org](mailto:events@usfigureskating.org).

**All other singles and partner events (such as Adults, Pairs, Ice Dance):**

- Skaters must meet the minimum test requirements for the events level, but not exceed the maximum permissible test requirement.

**Synchronized Skating:**

For test requirements, please select the statement below that best applies to your competition.

- For synchronized skating teams, skating skills test requirements are as of the entry deadline.

OR

- For synchronized skating teams, this competition does not require that skating skills test requirements for the team's level be met, except for the maximum allowed at the Compete USA levels (Snowplow Sam Synchro and Aspire levels).

**EVENTS OFFERED:**

- **U.S. Figure Skating Program Requirements:** [usfigureskating.org](http://usfigureskating.org) --> Skate --> Compete --> Program Requirements
- **Compete USA Program Requirements:** [learntoskateusa.com/competeusa](http://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 [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@gmail.com).
  - [Click here for the Skate United Athlete Form.](#)
- **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 [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@gmail.com)
  - [Click here for more information about S.A.Ms.](#)

On the program requirements page linked above, competitions that fall within the date range beside the program requirements must use those requirements.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 3/6/2026 9:59pm EST**

**LATE REGISTRATION 3/12/2025 9:59pm MST + \$60 Late fee**

**\*First fee includes a \$20 video fee, in return ALL SKATERS will be emailed videos of their events (split ice events excluded) following the completion of the competition.**

SINGLES	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Aspire 1-4 Free Skate	IJS	\$175*	\$60
Excel Free Skate (Pre-preliminary – senior)	IJS	\$190*	\$70

Well Balanced Short Program (Juvenile -Senior)	IJS	\$190*	\$70
Well Balanced Free Skate (Pre-Pre-Senior)	IJS	\$190*	\$70
Adult Free Skate (Adult Pre-Bronze – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$190*	\$70
Adult Beginner & High Beginner Free Skate	6.0	\$170*	\$70
<b>ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Compulsory Moves (Level 1 - 8)	IJS	\$100*	\$55
Jumps Challenge (Level 1 – 9)	IJS	\$100*	\$55
Spins Challenge (Level 1 – 6)	IJS	\$100*	\$55
<b>SHOWCASE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Emotional Performance (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Choreographic Artistry (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Lyrical Pop (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Character Performance (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Comedic Impressions (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Duets/Trios (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Theme Event (Pre-Pre – Senior, Adult PreBronze-Masters)	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Inflatables	CJS	\$170*	\$150
Mini Production Ensemble	CJS	\$170*	\$150
Production Ensemble	CJS	\$170*	\$150
Adaptive Individual Showcase	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Adaptive Unified Partner Showcase	CJS	\$170*	\$55
<b>COMPETE USA EVENTS</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Adult 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Compete USA – Showcase (SS-Aspire 4-Adult High Beginner) Emotional	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Compete USA – Showcase (SS-Aspire 4-Adult High Beginner) Character/Lyrical pop/Comedic	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Compete USA – Showcase Duet/Trio (SS-Aspire 4)	6.0	\$135*	\$45
<b>ADAPTIVE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Special Olympics Badges 2 - 12	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Skate United *see statement above	6.0	\$135*	\$45
Open-Showcase	CJS	\$170*	\$55

Adult-Showcase	CJS	\$170*	\$55
Adaptive/Unified- Showcase	CJS	\$170*	\$55
<b>SYNCHRONIZED SKATING</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>Team Fee</b>	<b>Skater Fee</b>
Aspire 1	6.0	\$205*	\$5
Aspire 2	6.0	\$205*	\$5
Aspire 3	6.0	\$205*	\$5
Aspire 4	6.0	\$205*	\$5
Aspire Adult	6.0	\$205*	\$5
Preliminary	6.0	\$205*	\$5
Unified (1-3)	6.0	\$205*	\$5

**\*First event fee includes a \$20 video fee; in return ALL SKATERS will be emailed videos of their events (split ice events excluded) following the completion of the competition.**

#### **SHOWCASE EVENTS**

Will be skated on ice surface, approx. 165' x 85'. There will be a curtain on the ice where the skaters will be allowed to warm-up behind this wall prior to competing. Skaters will enter this area in the order in which they compete with a maximum of four (4) skaters warming up at a time. As skaters are called, they will enter the competition area through the opening closest to the judges, furthest from the stands. Skaters will exit the ice using the opening closest to the stands. Showcase events will be skated under FULL LIGHTS. **MAKE SURE TO CHECK IN EARLY FOR ALL SHOWCASE EVENTS. IT MOVES FAST!**

#### **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 understand 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](http://www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe) or email [SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org](mailto: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 [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@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.

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](#)

#### EMS Coach Resources (SYS or TOI only):

- [Team Management Guide](#)

**EMS ADMIN:** 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 the U.S. Figure Skating database and are updated

daily removing the need for the LOC to manually update its list of attending coaches. Further, if a coach is non-compliant, they will receive system-generated emails through the start of the competition. Click [here](#) for additional information.

#### **TEAM SERVICE PERSONNEL (Required if you are offering any team events)**

Teams are permitted a maximum of two team service personnel. Team service personnel must have a current U.S. Figure Skating or Learn to Skate USA® membership, a green lighted background check and completed SafeSport™ Training. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions. Team service personnel is defined as those indicated as a team manager and/or team service personnel planning to attend the competition with the team.

**IF USING EMS:** 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). In order to be added in EMS, the individual must first be added in the team's profile through Member's Only.

#### **MANDATORY ATHLETES (Required if you are offering any team or partner events)**

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, 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 compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email [skatesafe@usfigureskating.org](mailto:skatesafe@usfigureskating.org) for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

### **III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Please provide details about your registration process here. If you are using EMS, please utilize the instructions provided below. Be sure to include information about music/PPC submission and all relevant deadlines.

If you are interested in using EMS for your competition, please contact [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org). NOTE: if your competition is offering both synchro/TOI and singles/pairs/ice dance events, these will need to be housed in two separate EMS competitions.

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS (Singles and Partnered events only):**

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: 3/6/2026 at 9:59 ET

Late Registration Deadline: 3/12/2026 at 9:59 ET + \$60 Late Fee

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

1. Go to [www.usfsaonline.org](http://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](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).
- 3. Click EMS then “Competition Registration”
- 4. Choose “**Fort Collins Classic**” from the list of nonqualifying competitions.
  - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto: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 “Non-Member? Create Account” option on the [Members Only](#) login page.

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS (Synchro teams):**

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.

1. Go to <https://m.usfigureskating.org>.
2. Use your personal member number and password to login.
3. Click the **BLUE “EMS Event Management System”** button.
4. Choose “Competition Registration – Teams” from the menu.
5. Select the team you would like to register for competition.
6. Click the REGISTER NOW button next to your competition’s name.

**NOTE:** Only the competitions for which your team(s) are eligible will appear.

7. Walk through the on-screen registration process which will include:
  - a. **Team Verification:** Confirm the team’s information is accurate.
  - b. **Registration Overview:** Review general information about the competition.
  - c. **Event Selection:** Confirm the event you are registering the team for is accurate.
  - d. **Competition Roster Selection:** Click the “**Add Skaters**” link. The screen will display all skaters listed in your Main Roster. Check the box next to each skater’s name to add them to the competition roster.
  - e. **Coach Information:** Click the “**Add Coaches**” link. The screen will display all coaches listed in your Team Profile. Check the box next to each coach’s name to add them. Only the coaches who will be attending this competition should be listed. This information can also be updated from your EMS Team Portal. You will only be able to add coaches who are listed in your Team Profile.
  - f. **Team Service Personnel Information:** Click the “**Add Team Service Personnel**” to add attending team service personnel. The screen will display team managers and team service personnel listed in your Team Profile. Check the box next to each name to add

them. Only the team service personnel who will be attending this competition should be listed. This information can also be updated from your EMS Team Portal. You will only be able to add team service personnel who are listed in your Team Profile.

8. Payment via credit card will be required to complete your registration as it is the only accepted form of payment for registration in EMS. Registrations are not considered complete until an invoice confirmation via email has been received. A 3% processing fee will be assessed at check-out.

**NOTE:** Payment must be submitted individually for each team's registration. If you are planning on registering multiple teams in a short period of time, it is recommended that you contact your credit card company to prevent anti-fraud systems from being activated.

#### **FOREIGN SYNCHRO :**

Additional steps are required to complete your registration. For a full guide to registering foreign teams, [CLICK HERE](#). Email [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org) if you require assistance.

#### **TEST CREDIT:**

Test Credit is available for \$25 for IJS scored Well-Balanced and Excel events. Please email [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@gmail.com) or text 970 556-4850 to arrange for a test credit. Deadline to purchase is April 9th. Payment can be accepted at the registration desk. ISJ test credit packets will be available at the registration desk within 1-2 hours of the completion of the event. Packets will only be available if the test was passed. Please go to the registration desk to collect your test packet. If you do not do this, we cannot guarantee that your test credit will apply. You must leave the rink with your packet. Contact [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@gmail.com) or go to the registration desk during the competition for more information.

Any athlete seeking IJS Test Credit is responsible for all steps outlined in the "For Athletes" section of the [IJS Protocol for Test Credit](#) document. This includes submitting your Test Credit Packet and coach statement to your club for official processing within the permissible timeline.

#### **CRITIQUES/FEEDBACK**

Critiques and feedback will be provided for all skaters in Juvenile and above at no additional cost if time allows. To register email Amy at [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@gmail.com) by April 1, 2026 to make arrangements. If time allows, critiques/feedback will either be written or in person.

#### **MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:**

**EMS MUSIC UPLOAD:** Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **3/23/2026 9:59pm 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: 3/23/2026 9:59pm ET \*LATE FEE of \$25**

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

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto: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 rinkside 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:**

Include instructions as to how attendees will provide your competition with their Planned Program Content (PPC). Include details about any online uploads including deadlines or where PPC is to be dropped off on-site. PPC Paper form, [click here](#).

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **3/23/2026 9:59pm 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.

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

*If you need assistance, email [productsupport@usfigureskating.org](mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org)*

#### **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®, (Fort Collins Figure Skating Club) and (The Edora Pool and Ice Center, EPIC) 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:**

Edora Pool and Ice Center  
1801 Riverside Ave  
Fort Collins, CO 80525  
<https://fcgov.com/recreation/epic>  
EPIC has 2 NHL sized ice surfaces

The judges will sit on a platform across from the spectator bleachers on the east side of the rink (This is a different, lower platform that used in previous years). There is not a snack bar on the premises but there will be vendors selling concessions.

#### **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:**

Locker Rooms:

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.

Team Locker Rooms:

The designated team coach, team manager, team service personnel and athletes competing at the skating event are allowed in the Locker Rooms/Changing Area designated for their team. The team coach, team manager, and team service personnel must remove themselves from the Locker Room/Changing Area while any Minor Athlete(s) are actively changing or undressing. All Locker Rooms/Changing Areas will be monitored. If any concerns arise, immediately contact the Locker Room/Changing Area monitor. If there are concerns regarding this policy, an athlete should change prior to arriving at the competition. The use of any recording and photographic devices inside a Locker Room/Changing Area is strictly prohibited. Any violation of this policy is punishable under the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® policy and U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

**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 who are at least 8 years of age 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:**

It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the competition website <https://fortcollinsfsc.org/fort-collins-classic> frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition. QR codes will be placed around the rink for convenience.

**Results will be posted ONLINE**

**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.

A tentative schedule is (this is not guaranteed and is subject to change based on enrollment numbers):

**Thursday Evening: Either Practice Ice or Showcase events**

**Friday: Athlete development events, Free Skate Events**

**Saturday: Free skate events and Showcase (if necessary)**

**Sunday: Compete USA events and 6.0 events**

**PRACTICE ICE:**

Unofficial Practice Ice (UPI) will begin on Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026. UPI sessions will be offered for all Free Skate, Short Program, and Artistic Events. Skater music will not be played at UPI. There is a

maximum of 1 UPI session per skater, per eligible event. UPI sessions will be 20-30 minutes in length (depending on the level, see chart below) and may or may not take place on the competition ice surface. UPI once purchased is nonrefundable and nontransferable. Warm up PI will not be available. Props will not be allowed on any practice ice sessions. Additional UPI sessions may be available to purchase AT THE EVENT. Once the event starts, we will remove the 1 UPI session per skater, per eligible event restriction.

Practice Ice	Pre-Purchase On or before March 13, 2026	Open Sales After March 28th
Practice Ice: 30 Minute Sessions	Cost \$20	Cost \$25
Compete USA Practice Ice: 20 minute sessions	Cost \$18	Cost \$20

We reserve the right to cancel or change any practice ice session. Practice ice will be selected by the competitor. After the close of entries, competitors will receive an email from the LOC through EMS when PI selection is available. Practice ice purchases are not refundable after the close of entries on March 6, 2026.

If there are issues with PI during the competition, DO NOT contact the competition chairs. Please go directly to the Practice Ice table in the green rink or the registration desk in the blue rink lobby. The LOC will do its best to limit the number of skaters on each PI session and to separate the levels of skaters on each session; however, these rules/limits may be adjusted given scheduling constraints as determined by the chief referee.

Please contact Amy at [aspelua@gmail.com](mailto:aspelua@gmail.com) by March 8<sup>th</sup> to arrange PI session for all team events.

**Pre-Purchase:** Practice ice credits may be purchased after participants complete their event registration, via the EMS Competition Portal. Skaters who purchase credits during the pre-purchase period will be able to select sessions during the selection period, after the schedule has been completed and posted.

- [Click Here for a Pre-Purchase How-To Document](#)
- Open: Day registration opens
- Close: 3/13/2026 9:59 PM ET
- Maximum credits per registered event:
  - UPI - #1
- Cost per credit: \$18-20

**Pre-Purchase Selection:** After the close of entries and shortly after the competition schedule is published, skaters will receive an email with notice of the practice ice schedule and the date/time when pre purchased credits can be scheduled via EMS.

- [Click Here for a Selection How-To Document](#)
- Open: 3/23/2026 5:00 pm ET
- Close: 3/28/2026 12:00 pm ET

**Open Sales:** Practice Ice sessions will be available after the schedule has been published. Skaters will be able to purchase open sessions available to them.

- [Click Here for an Open Sales How-To Document](#)
- Open: 3/28/2026 7:00pm ET
- Close: 4/9/2026 9:59pm ET
- Maximum sessions per registered event:
  - UPI - #TBD
- Cost per session: \$20-25

**TO ARRANGE PRACTICE ICE FOR SYNCHRO, MINI PRODUCTION AND/OR LARGE PRODUCTION  
CONTACT AMY AT 970 556-4850 (TEXT ONLY) OR EMAIL AT ASPELUA@GMAIL.COM**

#### **ONSITE CHECK-IN:**

Check-in will open on April 9, 2026 in the main lobby of EPIC. Time is TBD.

**EMS ADMIN:** [Onsite FAQ](#), [Onsite Check-In](#) and [Onsite Practice Ice Sales](#)

**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](mailto:skatesafe@usfigureskating.org) at least 2 business days prior to the competition for assistance.**

#### **AWARDS:**

Pick up and presentations of awards will take place immediately following the posting of the results online. Awards will be given to 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> place except for Compete USA events, for which an award will be given to all participants. Aspire is not considered Compete USA.

#### **VOLUNTEER INFO:**

An electronic volunteer sign up will be located on the competition website <https://fortcollinsfsc.org/fort-collins-classic> AFTER the schedule is published. For more information about how to volunteer or if you want to chair a competition committee please contact Juliana at [fccfigureskating@gmail.com](mailto:fccfigureskating@gmail.com)

#### **VOLUNTEER COMPLIANCE:**

Reminder: Compliant positions at all U.S. Figure Skating events include LOC leadership, locker room monitors and emergency medical providers .

If you are using EMS for volunteer management, request volunteer how-to information from your Product Support team member.

#### **PHOTO/VIDEO:**

Promix Sound and Video will provide video services. A \$20 fee is included in your registration and each competitor will receive an email link to download ALL of your events (split- ice events excluded) at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

We don't have an official hotel. We find individual rates are better than what we can get

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

<https://fortcollinsfsc.org/fort-collins-classic> For questions, please contact the following individuals:

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