



ANNOUNCEMENT

2012 TRILLIUM STARSkate CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dates: **March 16 to 18, 2012**
Location: **Memorial Gardens
100 Chippewa St W
North Bay ON P1B 6G2
705-474-8401**
Hosted by: **Skate Ontario & Skate Canada - Northern Ontario**
Sanctioned by: **Skate Canada**

GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2012 Trillium STARSkate Championships will be conducted in accordance with the regulations as set forth in the Skate Canada Rulebook. If not specifically stated otherwise in this document, the normal regulations governing skating will apply as indicated in Section 4000 and 7000 of the Skate Canada Rulebook, the Technical and Event Management Handbooks and the Policies and Procedures Manual.

REGISTRATION

Competitors must register with their Section Registrar upon completion of their Section STARSkate Championships. Each competitor is entitled to be accompanied by one accredited coach or choreographer. All competitors and coaches/choreographers must register at Memorial Gardens, North Bay ON, no later than one hour prior to the scheduled skating of their event.

ENTRY FEES

\$105.00 per Singles entry
\$105.00 per Pairs team entry
\$110.00 per Dance Team entry
\$140.00 per Triathlon entry

FILING ENTRIES

Each qualified skater shall provide a copy of the **Section qualifying event entry form** (as determined by the Section Championship chair), along with the **Skate Ontario waivers** (Appendix 1) and **Code of Conduct forms** (Appendix 2) to be submitted together with the correct entry fees.

The Championship Chairperson of each Section (or his/her representative) shall be responsible for the filing of entry forms and shall sign each entry form certifying that it is a valid and eligible entry.

All entries from the Section shall be filed on the Skate Ontario Trillium STARSkate master entry list. The complete package (entry forms, waivers and code of conduct forms) shall be forwarded to registrar no later than 48 hours following the completion of the Sectional STARSkate Championships. Use of courier is recommended.

The Skater's cheque must be payable to the respective Section.

Each Section shall submit one cheque from the Section payable to **Skate Canada - Northern Ontario**.

FORWARD ENTRIES TO: 2012 Skate Ontario Trillium Championships
c/o Skate Canada - Northern Ontario,
6 Main St S, Unit 3
PO Box 130
Callander, ON P0H 1H0

RINKS TO BE USED

Memorial Gardens, North Bay ON
Ice size: 90' x 190'

Please note the ice surface size and plan your programs accordingly

PRACTICE ICE

There will be no official practice ice.

Ice may be available to be rented on an individual basis by contacting
Memorial Gardens at Phone #: 705-474-4868

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE (From Skate Canada Rule 5401)

Entrants shall:

- (1) **Be eligible persons** as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book Section 2100.
- (2) **Be Associate members** in good standing of the Association whose home club is in one of the four Ontario sections.
- (3) **Qualify through their own Section STARSkate Championships** (COSIC, EOSIC, Festival of Stars, WO STARSkate) by placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd in all STARSkate Free Skating categories (Junior Bronze thru Gold), Triathlon categories (Bronze, Silver and Gold), STARSkate Dance categories (Junior Bronze thru Diamond) or Pair category (open only).
- (4) **Qualify through a defined selection PROCESS as determined by each Section Board of Directors** by placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd in PRE-JUVENILE singles, dance or pair categories.
- (5) If a competitor cannot compete at this Provincial Championship, the next placed skater may be entered in order of placing until the place is filled.
- (6) There will be **no backfilling** from other Sections of any categories.
- (7) Categories with only one entry will not be skated – **no exhibitions**.

COACH/CHOREOGRAPHER ACCREDITATION

In order to be accredited at the **2012 Trillium STARSkate Championships**, all coaches/choreographers must meet the standards for coaches and choreographers set out in Skate Canada Rule 2402 and in the Skate Canada Policies and Procedures.

All coaches shall be paid Skate Canada coaching members, hold a valid First Aid certificate and Primary STARSkate Coach (NCCP Level 1) certification or higher.

All coaches must wear the **NEW Skate Canada accreditation** / Photo ID at all times.

Coaches must register in person and show their photo ID card.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

- (1) **COMPETITIVE SKATERS:** Skaters who are registered with Skate Canada in the current year at the Novice, Junior or Senior events at the 2012 Sectional Championships (in November 2011) or in a Sub-Sectional or Elimination Round prior to the Sectional Championships **are not eligible to compete** at the **Trillium STARSkate Championships** in any category at any level. For the purposes of interpretation of this regulation, registration for a Sectional or Sub-Sectional event is defined as the submission of a registration form for such event.

Skaters registered to compete in the Juvenile and Pre-Novice level at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition may register to compete in event categories at the **Trillium STARSkate Championships** other than those competed in at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying Competition. Please see the table below for the qualifications for entry.

The PRE-JUVENILE category is not considered COMPETITIVE for Skate Canada registration purposes.

Skaters may enter either a Pre-Juvenile category or the equivalent STARSkate category but not BOTH at this event

Competitive Category (competed or registered to compete in at Sectionals or Sectional qualifying event)	Events that may be competed in at the Trillium STARSkate Championships
Novice and higher in Singles, Pairs and Dance	No events
Juvenile / Pre-Novice Competitive Dance	Singles, Triathlon and Pairs
Juvenile / Pre-Novice Competitive Singles	Pairs and Dance
Juvenile / Pre-Novice Competitive Pairs	Singles, Triathlon and Dance
Competitive Synchronized Skater	All events

- (2) **WINNER OF A PREVIOUS TRILLIUM STARSkate EVENT:** A previous winner of a Trillium STARSkate category is **NOT eligible** to re-enter the same category.
- (3) **TEST PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter the **2012 Trillium STARSkate Championships** and events leading to it shall meet the test requirements to compete as of **November 15** preceding the competition.
- (4) **COMPETITIVE SINGLES TEST EQUIVALENCIES IN THE STARSkate PROGRAM:** As regulation 4000 states, skaters passing Free Skating tests in the competitive test system are granted equivalencies for regular free skating tests as follows:
 Juvenile Competitive Singles Test = Junior Silver Free Skating Test
 Pre-Novice Competitive Singles Test = Senior Silver Free Skating Test
 Novice Competitive Singles Test = Gold Free Skating Test
 Junior or Senior Competitive Singles Test = Gold Free Skating Test

Skaters who have passed any of the competitive test equivalencies must enter the STARSkate Championships at the level corresponding to their highest STARSkate test passed or at the level which they received the equivalency in the STARSkate Program, whichever is higher.

Entrants in the Triathlon events must register to compete in the highest level that their test qualification qualifies them for. For example, a skater who has passed the Senior Silver Skating Skill, Bronze Interpretive and Senior Silver Free Skate must compete in Silver Triathlon and can not skate in Bronze Triathlon.

- (5) **SKATING UP:** At the qualification events, skaters may skate up in the Free Skate and Dance categories, if desired; **HOWEVER at the Trillium STARSkate event they must compete in the category for which they qualified.**
- (6) **COMPOSITION OF PARTNERS:** **Couples for Pair and Dance events must be comprised of one woman and one man.** Each individual in the partnership must satisfy all eligibility requirements.

ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate Canada, Skate Ontario, the host Section/Club and the Local Volunteer Team undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in these Championships, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competitions and to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the Association, the Section, the Volunteer Team and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

SCORING SYSTEM

The CPC judging system with Video replay will be used for ALL categories at the Skate Ontario Championships.

AWARDS

Medals will be presented to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd final placings in each category. The presentation schedule will be available at registration.

All skaters are required to wear their competition attire for medal presentations.

TEAM TROPHY – MARY WILSON MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Mary Wilson Team Trophy shall be awarded to the Section with most points earned by the Skaters based on individual placing in the categories skated at the event. Specific details of the point system will be available at the Championship.

COSTUMING

The clothing for all competitors must be modest, dignified and appropriate for athletic competition – not garish or theatrical in design. Accessories and props are not permitted.

RESULTS CALCULATION

- (1) All categories will use the **CPC** results calculation method.
- (2) EVENT MARKING CRITERIA, TIE BREAKING AND FACTORS

CATEGORIES	MARKING CRITERIA	FACTOR	%	TIE BREAKER
STARSkate and Pre-juvenile CATEGORIES				
Free Skate	Technical Score, Program Components	1.0	100	Components
Pairs	Technical Score, Program Components	1.0	100	Components
Dance Pattern Dance 1	Technical Score, Program Components	0.5	50	Technical
Pattern Dance 2	Technical Score, Program Components	0.5	50	Technical
TRIATHLON CATEGORIES *				
Free Skate	Technical Score, Program Components	1.0	33.3	Components
Skating Skills	Technical Score, Program Components	1.0	33.3	Technical
Interpretive **	Program Components	1.0	33.3	IN,PE,CH,SS,TR **

* **Triathlon Categories:** A tie will be broken after each segment. For example, after the Interpretive program the tie is broken by the Interpretive Program, and after the Free Skate, the Free Skate program result breaks the tie.

** **Triathlon Interpretive Segment:** ties are broken based on the individual component scores in priority according to order listed.

CATEGORIES TO BE OFFERED

Technical details including test requirements, prerequisites and specifications for the categories to be skated are outlined in the Skate Canada STARSkate Competition Technical Package for 2011-2012.

The Section qualifying event PRE-JUVENILE technical details including test requirements, prerequisites and specifications shall be the same as in this document.

ALL free skating programs should meet the requirements for a Well Balanced Program as outlined in the Skate Canada STARSkate Competition Technical Package for 2011-2012.

This package found in the member's only section of the Skate Canada website <http://members.skatecanada.ca>

1) SINGLES CATEGORIES

STARSkate JUNIOR BRONZE FREE SKATING to GOLD FREE SKATING - Ladies and Mens
- as per current STARSkate requirements.

PRE-JUVENILE - Ladies and Mens

TEST: Must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skate Test

AGE: Pre-Juvenile singles competitors shall be under the age of 11 for ladies and 12 for men as of July 1 preceding the event.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Free Skate of 2.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds) meeting the requirements of a well-balanced free program.

2) PAIR CATEGORIES

STARSkate OPEN PAIR - Mixed couples only
- as per current STARSkate requirements.

PRE-JUVENILE PAIR - Mixed couples only

TEST: Each partner must have passed the complete Preliminary Free Skate Test (no ceiling) and must not have passed any Pairs Test.

AGE: Pre-Juvenile pair competitors shall be under the age of 14 as of July 1 preceding the event.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Free Skate of 2.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds) meeting the requirements of a well-balanced pair free program.

3) DANCE CATEGORIES

STARSkate JUNIOR BRONZE DANCE to DIAMOND DANCE - Mixed couples only
- as per current STARSkate requirements.

PRE-JUVENILE DANCE - Mixed couples only

TEST: Each partner must have passed the complete Preliminary Dance Test or higher.

AGE: Pre-Juvenile dance competitors shall be under the age of 14 as of July 1 preceding the event..

SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Pattern Dances: Two dances to be skated:
for 2012 season - **SWING DANCE and FIESTA TANGO**

Dances are to be skated in the order listed using Skate Canada Series 8 music.

The number of dance patterns to be skated shall be the same as for **Evaluated Tests**. Please refer to the Skate Canada Technical Handbook - Figure Skating Terms Defined. Also, please note that dances are to be started such that the first pattern of the dance is on the judges' side of the ice surface.

4) TRIATHLON CATEGORIES

STARSkate BRONZE, SILVER and GOLD - Ladies and Mens
- as per current STARSkate requirements.

JUDGES, REFEREES AND DATA SPECIALISTS (from Rule 7504)

Judges referees and data specialists shall be selected from the official Association judges and data specialists list of the four Ontario Sections. Judges and referees must be eligible persons. All officials shall be eligible to officiate without conflicts at the levels assigned. A panel of at least five judges is recommended for all events.

MUSIC

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights societies.

Competitors who have music composed especially for their program either wholly or in part, shall be responsible for obtaining a written release from the composer for the use of such music on radio and television or appropriate clearance from the performing rights societies.

- (1) **REGISTRATION OF MUSIC:** Music must be turned in at the time of registration. Music and their cases must have the competitor's name and event clearly printed on them. Competitors will be responsible for picking up their own music at the completion of their event.
- (2) **DANCE MUSIC:** For the information of Dance competitors, 2001 Skate Canada Series 8 will be used for all pattern dance categories.
- (3) **MUSIC REQUIREMENTS: the preferred music playback is via CD's.** Each entry must provide 2 CD's (or 1 CD and 1 cassette) for the competition upon registration. One for competition must be marked "Master" and the other for back up marked "Copy" (plus one backup cassette not handed in but available in the skaters bag).

Standard Specifications for Cassettes and CD's

1. Only one (1) program shall be recorded on each CD (or cassette).
2. The start of the music shall be recorded at least 3 seconds following the head leader and not more than 5 seconds.
3. Music shall be recorded at equal levels on both left and right channels in stereo.
4. Competitor's name followed by music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on the recorded side of the CD (or cassette).
5. Each CD (and/or cassette) shall be enclosed in its own plastic container.
6. Music recording levels shall be a maximum of OVU and a minimum of -8VU.
7. CD's (or cassettes) must be marked with the skater's name, event and total music time and enclosed in their integral container, also marked accordingly.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Host Hotels: **Best Western North Bay**

700 Lakeshore Dr
North Bay ON P1A 2G4
1-800-461-6199
Rate: \$139.99
Booking & Cancellation Deadline: February 16, 2012
Please ask for "Skate Canada" rate.

Comfort Inn – Lakeshore

676 Lakeshore Dr
North Bay ON P1A 2G4
705-494-9444
Rates: \$111.99 – Queen bed; \$118.99 – Two Doubles
Please ask for "Skate Canada" rate.

Comfort Inn – Airport

1200 O'Brien St.
North Bay ON P1B 9B3
705-476-5400
Rate: \$129.99 – Two Doubles
Please ask for "Skate Canada" rate.

Travelodge Airport North Bay

1525 Seymour St
North Bay ON P1B 8G4
1-866-337-9195
Rate: \$109.99 – Queen & Single pullout; \$139.99 – Two Queens
Two night minimum.
Booking & Cancellation Deadline: February 15, 2012.
Please quote group code "CGSKCA"

Holiday Inn Express

1325 Seymour St
North Bay ON P1B 9V6
705-476-7700
Rate: \$149.99 – King standard; \$154.99 – Two Queens standard; \$184.99 – suites
Two night minimum.
Booking & Cancellation deadline: February 16, 2012.
Please ask for "Skate Canada" rate.

EVENT SCHEDULE

The preliminary event schedule will be posted on Skate Ontario's website www.skateontario.org.

A final schedule of events will be provided to each skater on-site at registration and will be posted on the website as soon as available after the completion of all four Sectional qualifying events.

TICKET INFORMATION

General admission:	\$8.00 per day.
Children (12 and under) and seniors:	\$5.00 per day.
No weekend passes will be available	

INFORMATION/LOST AND FOUND

Throughout the Championships, information will be available at the Registration/ Information table. Lost and found items will be kept there.

MAP and DIRECTIONS

Reference Internet Map Sites (i.e. arenamaps.com, mapquest.com, mapblast.com etc.) for view of map and directions. <http://www.arenamaps.com/arenas/>

OTHER SERVICES

Video and boutique services will be available at the Championships. Snack bar facilities will also be available at the arena.

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www.skateontario.org