

### 2014 UPPER GREAT LAKES REGIONAL FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS ANNOUNCEMENT



Cedar Rapids Ice Arena
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Hosted by the Eastern Iowa Figure Skating Club
Oct. 19-22, 2013



### 2014 Qualifying Competition Season

#### **TECHNICAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### 1. GENERAL

The 2014 U.S. Figure Skating qualifying competition season consists of a total of 13 events. These include 12 qualifying events (nine regional championships, three sectional championships), and the 2014 U.S. Figure Skating Championships (juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior and senior). All 13 events are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and conducted according to the most current U.S. Figure Skating rulebook, 2013-2014 edition, with changes and clarifications as posted on the U.S. Figure Skating web site and this announcement. Compliance with these rules as updated or amended is the responsibility of the participants. U.S. Figure Skating reserves the right to incorporate revisions to the international judging system (IJS) made by the ISU for junior and senior events and by U.S. Figure Skating to novice events and below.

The qualifying and national championship competitions are only open to competitors who (1) Are current members of U.S. Figure Skating (2) Meet the eligibility requirements according to U.S. Figure Skating Rule 2211 (3) Meet all age and test requirements pertaining to the event to be entered and (4) Meet the citizen and residency requirements as stated in Rules 2230-2243 and ICR 6.09 of the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook. Please note amendments have been made to the requirements for returning U.S. skaters as well as non-U.S. skaters wishing to compete. Consult the rulebook to ensure you complete the necessary requirements.

#### Important Notice for All Coaches

To coach at a U.S. Figure Skating qualifying level competition, a professional coach or choreographer must be:

- Declared by a skater in the registration process with U.S. Figure Skating
- Listed as Coaches Education Requirement (CER) Category A compliant for 2013-2014
- Current with Coach Registration (requires annual fee and background check)
- A current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating
- A current member in good standing with the PSA

A coaches' requirements chart can be found here:

http://www.usfigureskating.org/Content/Coaches%20Requirement%20Chart.pdf.

Each local organizing committee (LOC) will be provided with a list of coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. Coaches who are NOT on the list will need to show proof of membership in both U.S. Figure Skating and the PSA, a Coaches Registration card, proof of Category A compliance in CER, and a photo I.D. at check in. If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions. We strongly urge all coaches to have their cards with them.

#### Important Notice for All Pairs and Dance Teams

All pairs and dance teams will begin their qualifying season at their respective sectional championships (unless they have been notified of a bye advancing them directly to the U.S. Championships). These events are no longer offered at the regional championships.

For the 2014 competition season, the 12 qualifying events are:

#### **REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

2014 Northwest Pacific Regional Championships Lakewood Winter Club; Tacoma, Wash.; Oct. 5-8, 2013

2014 Eastern Great Lakes Regional Championships Louisville Skating Academy; Louisville, Kent.; Oct. 5-8, 2013

2014 North Atlantic Regional Championships Skating Club of Lake Placid; Lake Placid, N.Y.; Oct. 5-8, 2013

2014 New England Regional Championships
Connecticut Skating Academy; Newington, Conn.; Oct. 12-15, 2013

2014 Southwestern Regional Championships
Dallas Figure Skating Club, Lantana, Texas; Oct 12-15, 2013

2014 Central Pacific Regional Championships
Vaca Valley Figure Skating Club; Vacaville, CA; Oct 12-15, 2013

2014 Southwest Pacific Regional Championships Glacier Falls Figure Skating Club; Corona, Calif.; Oct 19-22, 2013

2014 Upper Great Lakes Regional Championships
Cedar Rapids Figure Skating Club; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Oct. 19-22, 2013

2014 South Atlantic Regional Championships
Carolinas Figure Skating Club; Indian Trail, N.C.; Oct. 19-22, 2013

#### SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2014 Eastern Sectional Championships
Washington Figure Skating Club; Ashburn, Virg.; Nov. 19-23, 2013

2014 Midwestern Sectional Championships Lansing Skating Club; Lansing, Mich.; Nov. 19-23, 2013

2014 Pacific Coast Sectional Championships St. Moritz Ice Skating Club; Oakland, Calif.; Nov. 19-23, 2013

The national championships will be organized for all qualifiers in: 2014 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships TD Garden & Boston Convention and Exhibition Center The Skating Club of Boston; Boston, Mass.; Jan. 5-12, 2014

#### 2. REGISTRATION

#### A. METHOD

#### Online Electronic Registration (Required)

Online registration is the <u>ONLY</u> method available for entry into the 2014 U.S. Figure Skating qualifying competition season. Registration opens July 15, 2013.

To enter online into the 2014 qualifying competition season, proceed in the following manner:

- Log on to <u>www.usfsaonline.org</u>
- Input your membership number and password
  - If you do not already have a password, go to <u>www.usfsaonline.org</u> first and follow the online instructions.

If you are experiencing difficulty with the online registration, please email the U.S. Figure Skating Member Services Department at <a href="mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org">memberservices@usfigureskating.org</a> or call the U.S. Figure Skating main number at 719.635.5200.

#### **B. DEADLINES**

The entry deadline for the 2014 qualifying competition season is **11:59 p.m.**, **Sept. 1, 2013**. The time zone of your primary residence/principle training center (juvenile, intermediate) or home club (novice, junior, senior) will determine the entry deadline of 11:59 p.m., Sept. 1, 2013.

#### NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DEADLINE.

#### Juvenile and Intermediate Singles Competitors ONLY:

During the online registration process, you will be given the option to input your principle training center if you wish to compete out of the region you train rather than the region in which your primary residence is listed. The following guidelines must be followed:

- You must train at your principle training center at least six (6) months and one (1) day during the calendar year to be eligible
- The region you select is binding (whether it is based on primary residence or principle training center) and cannot be changed.

Age requirements must be met by Sept. 1, 2013.

Test requirements must also be met by **Sept. 1, 2013**. Provisional entries based on passing a test after the closing date of entries will not be accepted. Please refer to U.S. Figure Skating Rules 2420-2423 for further testing information and guidelines.

\*Skaters entering a singles event in addition to a partnered event must enter a regional championship within the section they have chosen for the partnered event.

#### C. ENTRY FEES

All competitors entering the 2014 qualifying competition season must submit payment of the \$175 entry fee to U.S. Figure Skating. All competitors are required to pay both the entry fee into the qualifying competition season (for each event entered) and an administration fee, which is \$10.

2014 Qualifying Competition Season Entry Fees

Entry Fee	Level/Discipline
\$175	Juvenile/Intermediate/Novice/Junior/Senior Singles (First competition at regional championships)
\$175	Juvenile/Intermediate Pairs and Dance Teams (First competition at sectional championships)
\$175	Novice/Junior/Senior Pairs and Dance Teams (First competition at sectional championships)
\$10	Administration Fee

#### Sectional Championships Qualifying Entry Fees

Singles skaters advancing from the regional championships to the sectional championships will incur an additional \$175 entry fee and a \$10 administration fee. This total will automatically be charged using the same credit card used to pay for entry into the qualifying season. Skaters receiving byes or who advance per the four or fewer rule will NOT incur any additional entry or administrative fees.

#### ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN for 2014 QUALIFYING COMPETITION SEASON

	Regional Sectional		U.S. Championships	
	Championships	Championships		
Singles Skaters	\$175	\$175	N/A	
Juvenile/Intermediate	N/A	\$175	N/A	
Pairs and Dance Teams				
Novice/Junior/Senior	N/A	\$175	N/A	
Pairs and Dance Teams				

Your registration is not considered valid until all appropriate entry and administrative fees are paid and all required forms (including the planned program content sheet) are completed online to U.S. Figure Skating.

#### D. PAYMENT

Online payment via credit card is the ONLY accepted form of payment.

For those competitors advancing to the sectional championships from the regional championships, the credit card used during the initial entry registration will be automatically charged the additional sectional entry fee. If an alternative method must be used for the sectional entry fee, please contact Lindsay Mulvey, U.S. Figure Skating, at 719.635.5200.

Once entered, all withdrawals are considered final. A skater may not reenter even if the withdrawal occurs prior to the entry deadline on Sept. 1, 2013. Please note: refunds are not given for any reason. \*If you need to withdraw, you must send an email to Bob Dunlop at <a href="mailto:bdunlop@usfigureskaitng.org">bdunlop@usfigureskaitng.org</a>, with your name, U.S. Figure Skating membership number, event in which you were entered (i.e. Junior Ladies) and the competition from which you wish to withdraw.

#### E. BYES

No medical byes will be considered. Competitors awarded a bye to their sectional championships or the U.S. Championships will receive official notification in writing from U.S. Figure Skating. All competitors wishing to compete in the 2014 qualifying competition season, including those who receive a bye, must enter by the Sept. 1, 2013, deadline. Please refer to the most recent U.S. Figure Skating rulebook for details on byes.

#### 3. TECHNICAL DETAILS

#### A. CONDUCT OF EVENTS

For the 2014 season, all events and levels at all championship competitions (regional, sectional, U.S. Championships) will be conducted in accordance with the international judging system (IJS). Check the U.S. Figure Skating website for technical and/or rules updates.

#### **B.** AGE AND TEST QUALIFICATIONS

All age and test requirements can be found in the U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook starting with Rule 4200 (senior singles).

#### C. TECHNICAL ELEMENTS

The well-balanced program charts for all levels and disciplines are posted on the U.S. Figure Skating web site at <a href="http://www.usfigureskating.org/New Judging.asp?id=355">http://www.usfigureskating.org/New Judging.asp?id=355</a>. As referenced earlier in this announcement, U.S. Figure Skating will incorporate all changes made by the ISU with regard to well-balanced programs. Please refer to this web site often for continuous updates.

#### PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT SHEET (Required component)

All competitors entering into the 2014 qualifying competition season are required as part of their online registration to submit a planned program content sheet (PPCS) detailing the elements in their program(s). You may update your PPCS at <a href="www.usfsaonline.org">www.usfsaonline.org</a> up to two weeks prior to the start of your competition. Failure to do so creates extra work for the officials working your competition. You will not be allowed to receive your credential at registration until your PPCS is submitted.

#### D. MUSIC

#### COMPETITION MUSIC INFORMATION (Required component of online registration)

U.S. Figure Skating requires all competitors to fully complete a competition music information form as part of the online registration process. The following information is required for each piece of music used in the composition of the short program/dance and free skate: composer, orchestra, duration of music, record label/number (optional but highly recommended if obtainable).

#### COMPACT DISCS (CDs)

For all qualifying events during the 2014 season, CDs are the only acceptable media. CDs must be:

- · Clearly marked with name (last name, first name), event entered and the music time/length.
- Each CD must have only ONE (1) track on it. In the case of a short program/dance and free program, two (2) separate discs must be used. Any disc with more than one (1) track will NOT be accepted!
- · Lead in time (time before the music begins) on CDs may not exceed two (2) seconds.
- Due to compatibility and reliability reasons, music may NOT be submitted on re-recordable "CD-RW" discs.
- Each CD must be turned in in a paper CD sleeve with a see through window (obtainable at any office supply store), also labeled with the skater's name and event. Standard hard plastic jewel cases or other CD holders are no longer acceptable. CDs that are not properly identified will <a href="NOT">NOT</a> be accepted.

Competition music must be turned in at the registration desk at the time of registration at Regional's (or Sectional for events that do not compete at Regional's). Competitors will not receive their credentials at registration until they turn in their music. The originals will not be kept and forwarded on from Regional's to Sectionals to US Championships; rather the Music officials will make digital

copies at each event to pass the music up to the next level of competition. The music CD's will be returned to the competitors at the end of their final event. Each competitor that qualifies for Sectionals or the 2014 U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be required to bring CD copies to the next event as backup.

Skaters receiving byes to the U.S. Championships are required to email their competition music no later than one (1) month (Thursday December 5 2013) prior to the start of the U.S. Championships to the following email address:

Chip Rauth
U.S. Championships Music Tech
chiprauth@aol.com

All competitors must have at least one (1) additional CD copy rink-side at practice sessions and during the actual competition event. Skaters receiving byes must also bring CD copies of their music to the event as backup. The LOC will accept no responsibility for damage or loss. CDs not picked up by the end of the competition are not the responsibility of the LOC and will not be returned to the competitor.

#### E. SEEDING AND QUALIFYING ROUNDS AT REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Any skaters who are added to an event due to unforeseen circumstances will be added to one of the groups (which group will be at the discretion of the chief referee) up to 48 hours before the start of the first qualifying group in that event. No reseeding or reassignments between groups will be made after the competitors are notified of their qualifying groups. Posting of the start order will be on the LOC website or the arena. The official schedule of events will be posted at the competition.

#### F. OFFICIAL BULLETIN BOARD/EVENT WEBSITE

The official bulletin board and event website will contain any announcements or changes, and it is the responsibility of the competitors to check often for official notices. Please refer to the local portion of the announcement for further information regarding the bulletin board and event website.

#### 4. ADVANCEMENT TO SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS/U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### A. QUALIFIERS

#### SINGLES COMPETITORS

All singles competitors advancing to the sectional championships or the U.S. Championships will receive instructions for downloading the specific event announcement from <a href="www.usfsaonline.org">www.usfsaonline.org</a> for the competition to which they have advanced.

For every competitor, all information required to be sent to the sectional championships or U.S. Figure Skating Championships local organizing committees (photos, practice ice requests, etc.) must be postmarked no later than the deadline on the respective form.

For those competitors receiving a bye to the sectional championships, you will receive either instructions for downloading the announcement or your announcement via email and must follow the deadlines set forth by the LOC.

#### **B. ALTERNATES**

Skaters placing in fifth and sixth place (unless there are fill-ins) at the regional championships in the juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior and senior singles events will be designated as first and second alternates. These competitors will be provided access to an event announcement as they may be selected to compete up to 48 hours before their competition event.

Alternates <u>DO NOT</u> need to mail in any paperwork or required forms unless contacted by U.S. Figure Skating.

#### 5. INSURANCE/LIABILITY

#### A. LIABILITY

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

#### 6. ANTI-DOPING

Anti-doping tests will be conducted at the 2014 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships, held in Boston, Mass., Jan. 5-12, 2014. Anti-Doping testing will be conducted in the Senior-level and consist of the top four place-winners plus one random selection for each discipline. If selected, testing is mandatory.

#### 7. CONTACTS

For further information, requests should be addressed to:

#### A. U.S. FIGURE SKATING

Coordinator, Competitions Mia Corsini mcorsini@usfigureskating.org Chair, Competitions Committee Lynn Goldman lynngoldman1@att.net

#### **B. LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

Please refer to the additional information located on the following pages for detailed contact information for the local organizing committee hosting your specific championships.



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www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The 2014 Upper Great Lakes Regional Figure Skating Championships will be held Oct. 19-22, 2013, at the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena located at 1100 Rockford Rd. SW, Cedar Rapids, IA, 52404. The championships are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and hosted by the Eastern Iowa Figure Skating Club. The entry deadline for the 2014 Upper Great Lakes Regional Figure Skating Championships is 11:59p.m., September 1, 2013. The time zone of the home club will determine the entry deadline of 11:59 p.m., September 1, 2013. Registration entries must be submitted at www.usfsaonline.org.

After the close of entries, September 1, 2013, there will be absolutely no entry fee refunds, unless an event is canceled. Practice ice fees are nonrefundable and nontransferable.

#### **KEY CONTACTS:**

Competition chairs: Susan Blocker/Melissa Haars <u>uglregionals@eifsc.org</u>

Chief Referee: Cassy Pappajohn <u>cassy@efficientforms.com</u>
Practice ice coordinator Becky LeDuc <u>practiceuglregionals@eifsc.org</u>

#### **ARENA INFORMATION**

The main venue, the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena, 1100 Rockford Rd SW, Cedar Rapids, IA, 52404, features a 100-by-200-foot Olympic Rink and an 85-by-200-foot NHL Rink. It includes free parking. Call (319) 398-0100 for rink information or go to <a href="https://www.cricearena.com">www.cricearena.com</a>. The tertiary practice rink, the Coral Ridge Ice Arena, 1451 Coral Ridge Ave., Coralville, IA, 52241, is 23 miles south of the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena. It features a 100-by-200-foot rink and is located in the Coral Ridge Mall, (319) 354-7870 or go to <a href="https://www.coralridgeice.com">http://www.coralridgeice.com</a>. Interactive maps of the rinks are available at: <a href="http://eifsc.org/area-maps.html">http://eifsc.org/area-maps.html</a>.

#### **REGISTRATION**

The registration table in the lobby will be staffed during all practices and events. All outstanding fees and debts must be paid at the time of registration. **Beginning Friday**, **October 18**, **2013**, please go to the registration desk with questions or concerns, as we will not be available by phone. All skaters are expected to be in the arena one hour prior to the start of their scheduled event.

#### **BULLETIN BOARD AND NOTICES**

The official bulletin board will be located in the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena main lobby.

The official schedule of events will be posted on the official bulletin board and will supersede all other schedules. It is the responsibility of each participating skater and coach to check the official bulletin board for all official information. Notices posted here are considered sufficient notice to all participants. All participants must check the official board frequently.

#### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

The tentative schedule is as follows. Please remember that the final schedule will depend on the total number of entries. Please be prepared to adjust your schedule and arrangements accordingly. An updated schedule will be posted on the event web site <a href="http://eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html">http://eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html</a> as soon as possible following the close of entries. (Entries close on September 1, 2013).

Oct. 18, Friday Practice Ice

Oct. 19, Saturday Juvenile Girls, Qualifying Rounds

Intermediate Ladies, Qualifying Rounds,

Junior Ladies, Qualifying Rounds Novice Men, Short Program

Oct. 20, Sunday Novice Ladies, Qualifying Rounds

Intermediate Men, Short Program

Junior Men, Short Program Juvenile Boys, Free skate

Oct. 21, Monday Juvenile Girls, Final Round

Intermediate Ladies, Short Program

Novice Ladies, Short Program

Novice Men, Free skate Junior Ladies, Short Program Senior Ladies Short Program Senior Men, Short Program

Oct. 22, Tuesday Intermediate Ladies, Free skate

Intermediate Men, Free skate Novice Ladies, Free skate Junior Ladies, Free skate Junior Men, Free skate Senior Ladies, Free skate Senior Men, Free skate

#### PRACTICE ICE

There are three types of practice ice:

#### (1) Official Practice Ice (30 Minute Session):

Your program music, either short or free skate, will be played during your official practice ice session. Only one Official Practice Ice session is allowed per event segment. If the event has a qualifying round, only the Official Free Skate Practice Ice will be available for pre-order. Skaters who advance out of the Qualifying Rounds will be able to purchase Short Program Official Practice Ice at the event site. There will not be a second Official Free Skate Practice Ice session for those who advance out of the Qualifying Rounds. Skaters who do **not** have Qualifying Rounds may pre-order both Official Short and Official Free Skate Practice Ice sessions. Official practice ice will be scheduled by the LOC/Chief Referee, and every effort will be made to schedule this ice on your competition rink. Skaters are responsible for bringing their own music to their official practice ice sessions and picking up their music at the registration desk following their session. The Official Practice Ice schedule will be posted on our website at <a href="http://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals">http://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals</a>. Cost is \$20 per session.

#### (2) General Practice Ice (30 Minute Session):

These are general ice sessions and your program music will not be played. Cost is \$20 per session. Other skaters may have their official practice ice during your general ice session.

#### (3) Pre-Event Ice (15 Minute Session):

This session is scheduled by the Chief Referee and will occur approximately 1-3 hours prior to your competition event. Cost is \$10 per session. Skaters who have qualifying rounds may not prepurchase this ice, but once the skater has advanced out of the Qualifying Rounds, this Pre-Event Ice will be available for purchase at the practice ice desk at the event site. Skaters who do **not** have Qualifying Rounds may pre-order both Short and Free Skate Pre-Event Ice sessions.

Competitors may pre-order their Official/Pre-Event Ice sessions per the above guidelines plus up to three additional General Practice Ice sessions in the Initial Round of ordering. (See below). Official Ice/Pre-event Ice will be scheduled by the LOC and Chief Referee, and the General Ice will be scheduled by the skater using online ordering. Payment for all three types of practice ice also will be made via online ordering. Online ordering will be available Sept. 2 (after the close of registration) To order your practice ice, please go to the EntryEeze link provided on the competition website: <a href="https://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals">www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals</a>

Practice ice will be offered in three rounds:

<u>Initial Round</u>: During the initial round, you may pre-order Official/Pre-Event Ice sessions per the above guidelines plus up to three additional General Practice Ice sessions. We are limiting the initial round to three general sessions to give all competitors a chance to have practice ice. You will receive an email notice when the final competition schedule is posted, and <u>selection</u> of your three sessions will begin on the date indicated when the schedule is posted. The available sessions for your level will be posted on your EntryEeze account, and you will have approximately one week to complete your initial round selections. You will be able to access EntryEeze for pre-orders on Sept. 2.

**Second Round:** After the Initial Round practice ice session selections are completed, we will open any remaining General practice ice sessions to all skaters, including those who did not pre-order practice ice. You may then purchase as many sessions as you like from the remaining available sessions. We will have ice available at other rinks in the area and will post information on our website on how to travel to those rinks. Online ordering will close two days before the competition starts. Cost will remain \$20 per 30-minute session.

**Final Round:** Any remaining practice ice sessions will be available for purchase at the practice ice desk at the competition. Cost will be \$25 per 30-minute session. The practice ice desk will be near the registration desk in the lobby, and will open one half hour prior to the first practice ice session. If there is a line, we reserve the right to limit practice ice purchases to only one skater at a time.

Further information regarding practice ice procedures and available practice ice sessions will be posted as needed at: <a href="http://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals">http://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals</a>. Practice ice questions can be directed to Becky LeDuc at: <a href="mailto:practiceuglregionals@eifsc.org">practice ice fees are nonrefundable and nontransferable</a>.

#### **AWARDS**

Medals will be presented to athletes in first through fourth place in each qualifying and championship event. Trophies will be awarded to the champion in each championship event. Award times and location will be clearly posted near the results area and on the bulletin board. A professional photographer will take group and individual award pictures.

#### **ADMISSION**

All spectators will be charged an admission starting Saturday, Oct. 19, 2013. The 2014 Upper Great Lakes Regional Championships will be open to the public at a daily charge of \$12 (over age 17) \$9 for children 5-17, and free for children younger than 5. Daily and All-Event passes may be purchased at a reduced rate in advance via the EntryEeze link on the at <a href="http://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html">http://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html</a> starting Sept. 2. Advanced prices are \$35 All-Event passes for adults 18 & older, \$25 for children 5-7; Daily passes \$10 for adult and \$7 for children.

#### **CREDENTIALS**

Each athlete will receive complimentary credentials for 1 chaperone and 1 designated approved coach.

The credentials are marked with the individual's name and are non-transferable. You must have credentials to enter the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena and any other practice ice facility, the warm-up area and the locker rooms. One additional chaperone and coach credential may be purchased online as of Sept. 2 or at the registration desk. Additional chaperone and coach credentials badges are \$30. Lost skater or coach credentials may be replaced for a \$30 fee. Lost chaperone credentials will not be replaced.

At the time of registration, AFTER competition music has been turned in, each competitor will receive their credential badges for themselves and their chaperone(s). The competitor's coach will pick up their credential badge separately at check-in.

A photo ID must be shown by all chaperones and coaches when the credential is picked up.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Action photos as well as still awards photos will be available for purchase at the event. *Please note:* Flash photography of the competition, including practice ice, is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating policy.

#### **VIDEOGRAPHY**

The Event Video Company (EVC) will serve as the official videographer for all U.S. Figure Skating qualifying competitions for the 2014 competition season. EVC will provide professional videotaping services for all events. *Please note: videotaping of the competition, including practice ice, in any form is strictly prohibited per U.S. Figure Skating policy.* 

**SPECTATOR CONDUCT** No items of any kind are to be thrown on the ice. Violation of this rule may subject the offender to ejection from the arena.

#### **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Photographs and media forms will be used for the program and publicity of the event. Submission of a competition entry automatically grants permission to use all accompanying information, including photographs, for publicizing these Championships. Programs can be purchased at the cost of \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door per program. It is in your best interest to pre-purchase your program, as there will be a limited number available at the event. Again, all advance merchandise orders will be available through the EntryEeze link at <a href="https://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html">www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html</a> starting Sept. 2.

Program advertisements and event sponsorships are an important part of making a competition successful. We have included forms at the end of this announcement to enable you to provide information for advertising and sponsorship immediately. These forms must be postmarked by Sept. 7. Good Luck ads for skaters will also be available online beginning Sept. 2.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

The Eastern Iowa Airport (CID), 2121 Arthur Collins Parkway SW, Cedar Rapids, IA, 52404, is an 8-mile, 16-minute drive from the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena. There are several transportation options from the airport: rental car, shuttle and available taxi services. For more information about the airport, go to: <a href="http://www.eiairport.org">http://www.eiairport.org</a>. Area hotels may also provide shuttle services. Please check with your hotel for details.

#### **MERCHANDISE**

The LOC will have Souvenir Programs and Trading Pins available for advance purchase. There will be a limited supply of programs/pins available for sale during the event. There will also be many vendors on site. For advance purchases, **beginning Sept. 2**, go to the EntryEeze link at the event website www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html to place your order.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

The Eastern Iowa Figure Skating Club has negotiated special rates for competitors. Please make your reservations early to guarantee you have the necessary room(s). All hotel information may also be viewed on the event website http://eifsc.org/2014ualregionals.html

#### **Cedar Rapids Marriott**

1200 Collins Rd. NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 (319) 393-6600 \$99/night

http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cidmc-cedar-rapids-

marriott/?toDate=10/23/13&groupCode=glrglra &fromDate=10/17/13&app=resvlink

#### **Baymont Inn & Suites**

1220 Park Place NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 (319) 378-8000 \$79.99/night

www.baymontinns.com/cedarrapids

#### **Hampton Inn and Suites**

1130 Park Place NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 (319) 364-8144 \$109/night

http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/iowa/hampton-inn-and-suites-cedar-rapids-north-CIDPPHX/index.html

#### Fairfield Inn & Suites

605 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 (319) 247-1000 \$99/night

2 Queen beds:

http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cidcr-

fairfield-inn-and-suites-cedar-rapids/?toDate=10/22/13&groupCode=FSCFSC A&stop\_mobi=yes&fromDate=10/18/13&app=re svlink

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http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cidcrfairfield-inn-and-suites-cedarrapids/?toDate=10/22/13&groupCode=FSCFSC <u>B&stop mobi=yes&fromDate=10/18/13&app=re</u> svlink

#### DoubleTree by Hilton

350 1st Ave NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52401 (319) 731-4444 \$99/night 1-800-HILTONS. Ask for rate for "Group Figure Skating"

#### **Holiday Inn Express**

1230 Collins Rd NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 (319) 399-5025 \$99/night

#### **Hometown Inn & Suites**

3315 Southgate Ct SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 (319) 362-9012 \$52.99/night

#### **Clarion Hotel**

525 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 (319) 366-8671 \$105/night

#### **Quality Inn South**

390 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 (319) 363-7934 \$94/night

#### **Red Roof Inn**

3234 South Ridge Dr SW Cedar Rapids Iowa, 52404 (319) 364-2000 \$69/night

#### LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE - CONTACT INFORMATION

Please contact event chairs via email and allow up to 48 hours for responses to be provided.

**Competition Chairs:** 

Melissa Haars (319) 362-3486 <u>uglregionals@eifsc.org</u>

Susan Blocker (319) 361-4408 <u>uglregionals@eifsc.org</u>

Registrar:

Susan Blocker (319) 361-4408 <u>uglregionals@eifsc.org</u>

Practice Ice:

Becky LeDuc (319) 364-4372 <u>practiceuglregionals@eifsc.org</u>

**Programs:** 

Carol Vester (319) 378-8326 <u>cavester@mchsi.com</u>

Advertising/Sponsorship:

Barbara Hames-Bryant <u>barbara.hames@mchsi.com</u>

**Chief Referee:** 

Cassy Papajohn (303) 919-0303 <u>cassy@efficientforms.com</u>

Event Website: http://eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

A successful competition takes many hard-working volunteers. The Eastern lowa Figure Skating Club welcomes help from any interested volunteers. A link to SignUp Genius will be available at <a href="https://www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals">www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals</a> a few weeks before the competition. Please consider donating your time and talents to this wonderful event.

### **Directions**

Interactive maps are also available at: <a href="http://eifsc.org/area-maps.html">http://eifsc.org/area-maps.html</a>

#### **CEDAR RAPIDS ICE ARENA**

#### From the north:

From I-380, take Exit 19B (First Avenue W)
At the end of the ramp, turn right onto 1st Avenue
Travel west for about 1 mile, and turn left onto 15th Street SW
Less than a half mile past the 4-way stop, turn left onto Veterans Memorial Drive
The Ice Arena is ahead to the right

#### From the south:

From I-380, take exit 18 (Wilson Avenue)
At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Wilson Avenue
Travel west on Wilson for about 1.5 miles
Just past the railroad tracks, turn right onto Rockford Road SW
The Ice Arena will be on your left in less than 1 mile

#### **CORAL RIDGE ICE ARENA**

#### From the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena:

Turn right out of the parking lot onto Rockford Road (heading south)
At the T intersection, turn left onto Wilson Avenue
Travel east on Wilson for less than 1.5 miles and exit onto I-380 south
Travel approximately 20 miles south to the I-80 Eastbound exit (Exit OA)
Going east on I-80, about 2 miles, take the Coral Ridge Avenue Exit (Exit 240)
This road leads directly into the Coral Ridge Mall Parking lot
The Ice Arena is roughly on the southeast quadrant of the mall







Hundreds of skaters from all over the Midwest will be attending the 2014 Upper Great Lakes Regionals. What better way to advertise your upcoming skating competition or event than by placing a black & white ad in the  $8\frac{1}{2}$  X 11 inch souvenir program.

Ad size	Fee	Quantity	Total
Full page 8.5 X 11 inches	\$400		
1/2 page horizontal 8.5 X 5.5 inches	\$200		
1/2 page vertical 4.25 X 11 inches	\$200		
1/4 page (4.25 X 5.5 inches)	\$100		
1/8 page (3.5 X 2 inches business card size)	\$60		
		TOTAL	
Company name			
Contact name			
Email		Phone	
Address			
City		State	ZIP

Please send ad information files in JPG, TIF or PDF format to: Carol Vester at cavester@mchsi.com marked "UGL Program Ad" in the subject line by the postmark deadline.

Deadline for postmark: Sept. 7, 2013

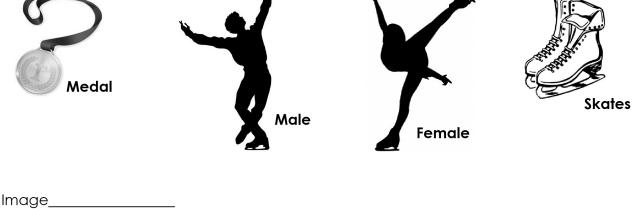
Make checks payable to: EIFSC

Send to: Susan Blocker/EIFSC, 1100 Rockford Rd. SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404





Congratulate your skater for their hard work! Shout out ads for competitors will be business card-size and can contain any of the following clip art. Indicate which image (you may choose "no image") you are selecting and write your text in the lines below, **up to 16 words maximum.** 



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Number of shout outs \_\_\_\_ X \$12 = Total amount owed: \$\_\_\_\_

#### Also available through online ordering beginning Sept. 2

Deadline for paper submissions should be postmarked: Sept. 7, 2013

Make checks payable to: EIFSC

Send to: Susan Blocker/EIFSC, 1100 Rockford Rd. SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404





The 2014 Upper Great Lakes Regional Championships will draw about 300 competitors vying for the chance to take the next step toward qualifying for the US Figure Skating Championships. The Eastern Iowa Figure Skating Club is proud to be hosting this event for the third time. We are excited to share our wonderful facility and showcase our generous volunteers.

As many of you know, hosting an event of this size is a monumental undertaking. We are offering competitors, area residents and businesses the opportunity to help support this competition, and, in turn, figure skating as a whole. All donations will go towards defraying such expenses such as ice time, hospitality for officials, awards and more.

All donors will receive a tax receipt letter and will be listed in our souvenir program. All "Olympic" sponsors donating \$1,500 or more will be given the opportunity to place their banner rink side, given a 1/2-page horizontal black & white ad space in the program and will receive four All-Event passes to the competition. We thank you for your consideration and invite you to share this opportunity to support skating with family and friends.

#### We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

Please print you	ur name as you w	ould like it to appe	ar in the progr	am:
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\$10-\$99 <b>Supporter</b>	\$100-249 <b>Bronze</b>	\$250-499 <b>Silver</b>	\$500+ <b>Gold</b>	\$1,500+ <b>Olympic</b>

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Once again, practice ice and event merchandise will be available through EntryEeze via the link at www.eifsc.org/2014uglregionals.html starting Sept. 2

Below is a summary of available merchandise for your own information. Thanks, and GOOD LUCK AT REGIONALS!

Item	Advance price	Event price
2014 UGL Regional Championship All-Event Pass/Adult	\$35	
2014 UGL Regional Championship All-Event Pass/Child	\$25	
All-Event Combo: 4-day pass/pin/program	\$40	
Daily Pass/Child (5-17)	\$7	\$9
2014 UGL Regional Championship Souvenir Program	\$10	\$12
2014 UGL Regional Championship Souvenir Pin	\$5	\$7
Official Practice Ice (one per event segment)	\$20	\$20
Pre-event Ice (one per event segment)	\$15	\$15
Unofficial Practice Ice	\$20	\$25