



Competition Announcement

Dorval Invitational

Hosted by
Dorval F.S.C.

November 14 - 16, 2008
Dorval Arena, 1450 Dawson, Dorval, Quebec H9S 1Y4

This competition is open to eligible skaters who are members in good standing of Skate Canada and whose home clubs are located in one of the following regions.

Lac St-Louis, Bourassa, Rive-Sud, Sud-Ouest, Montréal-Concordia, Eastern Ontario, Laval

The Dorval Figure Skating Club is pleased to announce the upcoming **Dorval Invitational** competition.

This competition is sanctioned by Skate Canada and will be held under the rules of this Association.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

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LA FÉDÉRATION DE PATINAGE ARTISTIQUE DU QUÉBEC
SANCTION NO. : IR-08-066
HOST CLUB : DORVAL FSC

ADDRESS : 1335 Chemin Bord du Lac, Dorval, Québec H9S 2E5

ARENA : Dorval Arena, 1450 av. Dawson, Dorval (south) Tel : 514-633-4010

ICE SURFACE : 80 feet x 185 feet

This announcement is available in both French and English, the official version being that in French. Interpretation of this announcement is at the sole discretion of the Technical Representative and all decisions are final.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Skate Canada, Fédération de Patinage Artistique du Québec and Dorval Figure Skating Club undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters. As a condition of, and in consideration of their entries therein, all competitors and their parents, or guardians, shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to the competitors' person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with the conduct and management of the competition.

The participants will release any and all claims, which they may have against the officials, Skate Canada, the Quebec Section, the host committee, the volunteers and their officers and their entries shall be accepted on these conditions.

Conduct Of Competitors

- 1) Competitors are bound to obey implicitly the instructions of the officials in charge of the competition.
- 2) A competitor who, directly or indirectly, expresses himself in an improper manner regarding the officials or their decisions or regarding the marking of the judges may be suspended and/or excluded from further competition.

RESTRICTIONS

The committee reserves the right to limit the number of participants in each category. The decision of the committee is final.

REGISTRATION AND DEADLINE

Each skater must sign and return the completed registration form indicating the category(ies) for which he/she wishes to participate. Teams must complete the appropriate form. The registration including the completed application and payment in full must be postmarked no later than **October 11th, 2008**. Entries filed after the closing date specified in the announcement may be accepted only at the discretion of the committee in charge.

AGE AND TESTS QUALIFICATIONS

For Competitive Categories the age requirement specified is July 1st, 2008. There is no age limit for official STARSKATE categories. For "No-Limit" categories, the age limit is the deadline date of registration

The date for tests passed is October 11th, 2008.

FEES: \$50 First single event
 \$25 Each additional single event
 \$35 Canskate only
 \$50 Each team

PAYABLE TO: Dorval F.S.C. (Cheque or money order only, please)

MAIL TO: DORVAL INVITATIONAL COMPETITION
 1335 Lakeshore Drive
 Dorval, Quebec H9S 2E5

There are no refunds after the deadline unless the event is cancelled. Registration fees will be refunded if the registration is withdrawn prior to the deadline. A cheque postdated after October 11th, 2008 will NOT be accepted. A \$15.00 fee will be applied on all NSF cheques.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: Laurel Duquette – 514-633-1621

MUSIC

Each skater will have to provide two (2) cassettes or two (2) CDs at registration.

REGISTRATION

All skaters must register upon their arrival at the arena a minimum of one hour before the beginning of their scheduled event. At that time they will hand in to the person-in-charge: two (2) cassettes/CDs, clearly identified with their name, category, priority (1 or 2) and the length of their program. The Committee will be responsible for the music until the end of the competition.

NCCP certified coaches who are members of Skate Canada must register, presenting their photo ID cards (no exceptions).

ADMISSION

Admission is free, however any donations collected will be turned over to “Sun Youth” in preparation for the upcoming festive season.

AWARDS

Prizes shall be presented to the top three places in each event. In the case of only two entries, each entry will be awarded a prize.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

A tentative schedule will be sent to each home club after the closing date, and may be available on the Internet – www.cpadorval.turfs2surf.com

FORMATION OF GROUPS :

Groups for competitive categories : as described in Skate Canada rules

Groups for categories «STARSKATE», «Beginner, Intermediate and No-Limit» : if the number of participants allows for more than one group, the draw will be done by age.

VIDEO

A video service will be available on site.

RESTAURANT

Snack bar facilities will be available during the competition.

COMPETITIVE CATEGORIES

FREE SKATING

Skaters may not register in a competitive category and a STARSKATE category in the same competition in the same discipline (e.g. free skating). Skaters may register in a category higher than the category for which they qualify. Skaters are not obliged to have passed the required tests.

CATEGORY	TIME	REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS
Juvenile	Ladies and Men 2 minutes and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)	As Described in Skate Canada Rules. Ladies must be under 12 years old on July 1, 2008 and Men must be under 13 years old on July 1, 2008.
Pre-Juvenile	Ladies and Men 2 minutes and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Preliminary Free Skating Test, as per Skate Canada Rules. Ladies must be under 11 years old on July 1, 2008 and Men must be under 12 years old on July 1, 2008.
NO-LIMIT CATEGORIES – No test restriction		
No-Limit 8 Years	Ladies and Men 2 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Skaters must be under 9 years old at the deadline date of registration.
No-Limit 7 Years	Ladies and Men 2 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Skaters must be under 8 years old at the deadline date of registration.
No-Limit 6 Years	Ladies and Men 2 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Skaters must be under 7 years old at the deadline date of registration.

Pre-Juvenile, No-Limit 8 Years, No-Limit 7 Years, No-Limit 6 Years Categories

As per Skate Canada Guidelines – Version September 14, 2005:

(a) **JUMPS, JUMP COMBINATIONS AND JUMP SEQUENCES**

Programs must contain a maximum of **seven (7) jump elements** that satisfy the following guidelines:

- (i) at least one jump of type Axel (jump with a forward takeoff)
- (ii) a maximum of three combinations or sequences of jumps. A jump combination may contain a maximum of three (3) jumps
- (iii) no jumps may be executed more than twice, and if a jump is repeated, it must be executed in combination or sequence
- (iv) skaters may not repeat more than three (3) jumps during their program

(b) **SPINS, SPIN COMBINATIONS AND SPIN SEQUENCES**

*Programs must contain a maximum of **three (3) spin elements** that satisfy the following guidelines:*

- (i) one (1) spin combination – minimum of 2 positions and a change of foot*
- (ii) one (1) flying spin*
- (iii) the third spin may be of any type*

(c) **STEP SEQUENCE**

*Programs must contain a maximum of **one (1) step sequence** that utilizes the entire ice surface.*

STARSKATE OFFICIAL CATEGORIES

Skaters may not register in a competitive category and a STARSKATE category in the same competition in the same discipline (eg. free skating). Skaters may register in a category higher than the category for which they qualify. Skaters are not obliged to have completed the required tests. These events are not open to skaters who participated in the Sectional Championship in the preceding year (except pre-juvenile and juvenile skaters who are no longer eligible for these categories), who registered or participated in the Sectional Championship in the current year (July 1st to June 30th), who participated in the Quebec Winter and/or Participation Games Provincial Finals in the preceding year or who registered or participated in the Quebec Winter and/or Participation Games Provincial Finals in the current year.

FREE SKATING

For program contents, please refer to the Skate Canada equalized programs.

CATEGORY	TIME	REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS
Beginner	Ladies and Men 1 minute (+/- 10 seconds)	May not have completed the Preliminary Free Skating test. <u>Prescribed Elements:</u> - Waltz jump - One of the following jumps: Salchow, Toe Loop or Loop - One combination of 2 jumps of the following: Salchow and/or Toe Loop and/or Loop - One spin – one base position without foot change - One step sequence - A minimum of one transition movement
Pre-Preliminary	Ladies and Men 1 minute and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)	May not have passed the Preliminary Free Skating test
Intermediate	Ladies and Men 2 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Preliminary Free Skating test but must not have completed the Junior Bronze Free Skating test Skate Canada equalized program for Preliminary Axel jumps are permitted, but no double jumps
Preliminary	Ladies and Men 2 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Preliminary Free Skating test but must not have completed the Junior Bronze Free Skating test
Junior Bronze	Ladies and Men 2 minutes and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Junior Bronze Free Skating test but must not have completed Senior Bronze Free Skating test

Senior Bronze	Ladies and Men 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Senior Bronze Free Skating test but must not have completed the Junior Silver Free Skating test
Junior Silver	Ladies and Men 3 minutes and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Junior Silver Free Skating test but must not have completed the Senior Silver Free Skating test
Senior Silver	Ladies and Men 3 minutes and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Senior Silver Free Skating test but must not have completed the Gold Free Skating test
Gold	Ladies – 3 minutes and 30 seconds (+/- 10 seconds) Men - 4 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed Gold Free Skating test

SOLO DANCE

In each category, the skaters must skate the two (2) compulsory dances. This group of two (2) dances was drawn from two (2) groups.

CATEGORY	DANCES	REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS
Preliminary	Canasta Tango & Swing	Must not have passed the Junior Bronze Dance Test
Junior Bronze	Willow Waltz & Fourteenstep	Must not have passed the Senior Bronze Dance Test
Senior Bronze	Keats Foxtrot & Harris Tango	Must not have passed the Junior Silver Dance Test
Junior Silver	Paso Doble & Blues	Must not have passed the Senior Silver Dance Test
Senior Silver	Argentine Tango & Westminster Waltz	Must not have passed the Gold Dance Test
Gold	Rumba & Austrian Waltz	Must not have passed the Diamond Dance Test

INTERPRETIVE

Refer to the Skate Canada Technical Manual – Section C – Interpretive Tests

CATEGORY	TIME	REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS
Initiation	Ladies and Men 2 to 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	No Interpretive Test passed
Introduction	Ladies and Men 2 to 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed the Introductory Interpretive Test, but no higher test
Bronze	Ladies and Men 2 to 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed the Bronze Interpretive Test, but no higher test
Silver	Ladies and Men 2 to 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed the Silver Interpretive Test, but no higher test
Gold	Ladies and Men 2 to 3 minutes (+/- 10 seconds)	Must have passed the Gold Interpretive Test

CANSKATE

SOLO WITH MUSIC

These categories are only open to skaters registered in Canskate; receiving group lessons from a professional coach.

No technical element may be added to the program. A penalty of 0.1 in the technical mark will be applied for each missing required element listed

CATEGORY	TIME	REQUIRED ELEMENTS	REQUIREMENTS/ CONDITIONS
Stages 1, 2 & 3	Ladies and Men 1 minute	1. forward skating on one foot 2. forward slalom (2 feet and 1 foot) 3. 2-foot spin 4. forward consecutive push/glide sequence 5. forward spiral	May have completed Stage 3 but no higher
Stages 4 & 5	Ladies and Men 1 minute	1. backward slalom skating (2 feet and 1 foot) 2. forward 1 foot spin (more than 1 rotation) 3. turning on a curve forward to backward and backward to forward on 2 feet 4. backward spiral 5. forward crosscuts in a figure 8 pattern	Must have completed at least Stage 4 but not higher than Stage 5
Stages 6 & 7	Ladies and Men 1 minute	1. backward crosscuts in a figure 9 pattern 2. any jump 3. 1 foot back spin (more than 1 rotation) 4. simple step sequence including 3-turns and mohawks 5. 1 foot back spin with backward crosscut entry	Must have completed at least Stage 6 but not higher than Stage 7

TEAMS – LADIES & MEN

Each team must consist of a minimum of 3 skaters and a maximum of 5 skaters. Each skater may execute a maximum of 2 elements. Each team must have a name. Teams may be formed with skaters from different home clubs, but only one Club name may be mentioned on the registration form. A skater may register in more than one category, but may not participate on two teams at the same level. Teams in an event will position themselves along the boards, in the order of skate. There will be a warm-up period of one minute for each element. The elements will be skated in the order listed. In order to form a team, skaters may register in a category higher. Only the chaperone may register the members of the team. Only stroking is permitted for the first minute of warm-up. Each element will be executed twice. Marks will be awarded for the better of the 2 executions.

CATEGORY	ELEMENTS	REQUIREMENTS
Pre-Preliminary Team	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flip 2. sit spin 3. step sequence – half of ice surface 4. Waltz jump 5. jump combination of 2 jumps including Salchow jump 	No part of any Free Skating test passed
Preliminary Team	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. loop jump 2. forward spiral (left foot) 3. Lutz 4. backward one-foot spin (minimum 3 rotations) 5. jump combination of 2 jumps including Salchow jump 	Preliminary Free Skating test part 1 (elements) passed
Junior Bronze Team	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Axel 2. camel spin (minimum 3 rotations) 3. Lutz 4. split jump 5. jump combination of 2 jumps including a loop jump 	Junior Bronze Free Skating test part 1 (elements) passed
Senior Bronze Team	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. double loop 2. Ina Bauer 3. Axel 4. flying camel spin (minimum 5 rotations) 5. jump combination of 2 jumps including a double toe jump 	Senior Bronze Free Skating test part 1 (elements) passed
Junior Silver/Senior Silver/Gold Team	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. flying camel spin (minimum 4 rotations) 2. spread eagle 3. sit-change-sit spin (minimum 5 rotations on each foot) 4. double Lutz 5. jump combination of 2 jumps including double a toe loop jump 	Junior Silver, Senior Silver or Gold Free Skating test part 1 (elements) passed