



**42<sup>nd</sup> Ron Carlson Marquette International Open**

**February 10-12, 2023**

**Marquette Figure Skating Club**

**Berry Events Center, Northern Michigan University**

**West Fair Avenue, Marquette, MI 49855**

## **I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW**

The Ron Carlson Marquette International Open 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 the U.S. Figure Skating member club, (if offering CompeteUSA 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.

### **MEIJER STATE GAMES:**

The Ron Carlson Marquette International Open is a participant in the Meijer State Game of Michigan. The Ron Carlson Marquette International Open is a qualifier for the 2024 State Games of America in San Diego, CA. For more information about the State Games of Michigan, State Games of America, and the Opening Ceremony, please visit [www.stategamesofmichigan.com](http://www.stategamesofmichigan.com). All Ron Carlson Marquette International Open participants are invited to the Meijer State Games of Michigan Opening Ceremony! This will take place at Marquette Mountain on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00 PM and will include giveaways, parade of athletes, the lighting of the cauldron, and more. For more information, please visit <https://www.stategamesofmichigan.com/events/winter/opening-ceremony23>.

### **COVID-19 INFORMATION:**

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, [CLICK HERE](#).

### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

[Click HERE to view the program requirements for the current season.](#)

<b>SINGLES</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Excel Free Skate	6.0	95.00	35.00
Well Balanced Free Skate (No Test-Preliminary)	6.0	95.00	35.00
<b>SPECIALTY</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Compulsory Moves (No Test–Senior)	6.0	95.00	35.00

Excel Compulsory Moves (Excel Beg.–Excel Prelim.)	6.0	95.00	35.00
Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	95.00	35.00
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	95.00	35.00
Moves in the Field (Pre-Pre–Senior)	6.0	95.00	35.00
<b>SHOWCASE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Emotional Performance Compete USA ( <a href="#">Compete USA rules</a> ) (Basic 1-6; PreFS-Freeskate 6)	6.0	65.00	30.00
Emotional Performance (No Test-Senior; Adult)	6.0	95.00	35.00
Character Performance Compete USA ( <a href="#">Compete USA rules</a> ) (Basic 1-6; PreFS-Freeskate 6)	6.0	65.00	30.00
Character Performance (No Test-Senior; Adult)	6.0	95.00	35.00
Comedic Impressions Compete USA ( <a href="#">Compete USA rules</a> ) (Basic 1-6; PreFS-Freeskate 6)	6.0	65.00	30.00
Comedic Impressions (No Test-Senior; Adult)	6.0	95.00	35.00
<b>SOLO DANCE</b>	<b>JUDGING</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Event Price</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event Price</b>
Solo Pattern Dance (not participating in series)	6.0	95.00	35.00
<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	65.00	30.00
Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	65.00	30.00
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	65.00	30.00

Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	65.00	30.00
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## **II. ELIGIBILITY**

### **TEST LEVEL:**

Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. At this competition, skating one level up from your highest test passed is permitted. Note: Athletes may not skate down in any event.

### **SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE:**

For full details about SkateSafe compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe webpage: [www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe](http://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe).

### **COACHES:**

To be an eligible coach at a non-qualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into three categories, Coach/Choreographer, Learn to Skate USA Instructor, or Foreign Coach/Choreographer. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [HERE](#). All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

## **III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

The entry fees: Compete USA are \$65.00 for the first event and \$30.00 for the second event. All others are \$95.00 for the first event and \$35.00 for each subsequent event. **Test qualifications will be effective January 15, 2023.** Registration is only available online: <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=144>. Secure online registration credit card payment (3.5% processing fee) Visa, Mastercard, or Discover.

Online entry must be COMPLETED by 11:59 pm on Sunday, January 15, 2023. When using the online registration, it is the skaters' and coaches' responsibility to verify that the skater has entered the correct event and level. Late entries, event changes or additions to entries made after the registration deadline of Sunday, January 15, 2023, will be assessed a \$25 change/add fee and will be accepted only at the discretion of the Chief Referee.

### **SINGLE SKATER EVENTS:**

Rule 3055 At non-qualifying competitions, if only one eligible competitor/team enters an event, the competitor/team will be offered the option to skate an exhibition, compete in an equivalent event one level above or one level below (as qualified by test level) or, for pre-juvenile and lower and adult bronze and lower singles events, compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender.

A. If said competitor chooses to skate an exhibition, judges will award their marks according to the rules and the applicable judging system used, and the competitor/team will receive first place.

B. If said competitor chooses to compete in an equivalent event against skaters of the opposite gender, the skater will be entered accordingly.

C. If said competitor/team chooses not to skate, the entry fee will be refunded, and the event will be canceled.

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

All individual skaters must submit music electronically via EntryEeze. Competition music for all events that require music must be submitted electronically via EntryEeze by the music deadline of Friday, January 27, 2023. Any music file submitted through EntryEeze after the deadline will incur a \$25 late fee. After you have paid for your events, the system will prompt you to upload your music for each event that requires music. If your music is not available at that time, you can logout of your account and return later to upload your music by going to the "Competition" tab and then selecting "My Music." All music uploads must be in .MP3 format. If you need assistance please reach out to the competition chair.

Competitors must also have an available 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 AppleLightning 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.

#### **REFUND POLICY**

Full refund minus the online processing fee, are available if withdrawal is prior to **Sunday, January 15, 2023 (11:59PM)**. After **January 15, 2023**, entry refunds are only available if the event is not held (See Rules 3055 3056, 3057, & 3058 apply) or will be considered with a written medical excuse from the attending doctor. The processing fee is not refundable for any reason.

#### **LIABILITY:**

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA, Marquette Figure Skating Club, Berry Events Center and Northern Michigan University 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:**

Berry Events Center

West Fair Avenue Marquette, MI 49855

<https://nmu.edu/berryeventscenter>

The arena is completely enclosed and has one ice surface, 200' x 100'. It seats 4,300 people. Dressing rooms will be available. Berry Events Center is a non-smoking facility; smoking will not be permitted inside of the Berry Events Center. A concession stand will be open for a majority of the competition.

#### **LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS(GENERAL LOCKER ROOMS):**

There will be 3 Locker rooms at the Berry Events Center and are for athletes only. They will be labeled with regard to specific use and where identified will be gender specific. An exception can be made for athletes under 11 years old that will allow for one parent of the same sex to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s). Please review the Locker Room and Changing Area Policy and the SkateSafe Handbook (both found on the [U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe](#) page).

Cell phones, cameras, or video cameras are prohibited in the locker rooms. Any skater or parent/guardian who is not following these rules will NOT be able to utilize the locker room facilities. SkateSafe rules will be posted on each door of the locker rooms.

#### **U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:**

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe Handbook](#).

#### **OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:**

Competition updates will be posted on the homepage of the Ron Carlson Marquette International Open EntryEeze page, <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=144>. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the website frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition. Day-of information will be posted at the registration table located on the concourse of the Berry Events Center. Event results will be posted online and can be accessed using a QR code posted around the rink and the registration table.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

#### **PRACTICE ICE:**

Practice ice sessions may be pre-ordered online (\$20.00 per/15 minute session) at the time of online competition registration. An email will be sent with a PIN number to access the practice ice in order to select sessions. Notification of practice ice session times will be available online at [www.entryeeze.com](http://www.entryeeze.com) and will NOT be available by phone, mail, or email.

After online competition registration is complete and the schedule has been posted, any additional remaining practice ice sessions will be available for purchase online (\$22.00 per/15 minute session). Additional practice ice may also be available at the rink for purchase (\$25.00 per/15 minute session) and can be scheduled at the rink starting on February 10, 2023, at the registration desk.

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

The registration desk will be located at the Berry Events Center in the upper concourse and will be open one hour prior to the first scheduled practice until the close of events each day. Skaters should check in at the Registration Desk at least one hour prior to their first event. An official bulletin board will be located in the registration area and this is where the official schedule will be posted. The posting of notices on this board will be considered notice to all skaters.

### **AWARDS:**

Ron Carlson Marquette International Open will be presenting awards to all skaters in each group. Meijer State Games of Michigan gold, silver, and bronze medals will be given for each group. Ribbons will be given to all other places. Groups will be no larger than 8 skaters (Snow Plow Sam-Freeskate 6: no larger than 6 skaters). Groupings will be according to 1) Level, 2) Age. A Club Team Trophy will be awarded to the club with the highest total placements in all events. Placements 1 through 5 will be used in the calculation. There will be no individual trophies.

### **PHOTO/VIDEO:**

A photo area will be set up to take your own photos.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Use this space to include any information you have for competitors traveling to your event, such as:

- Official hotel accommodations

- Merchandise pre-orders can be made when you register for the Ron Carlson Marquette International Open on EntryEeze. Only pre-orders are available.

- Vendor & Sponsorship opportunities

- Tentative schedule

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

<http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=144>.

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

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