

TESTING AT THE ICE CHALET

Registration of Tests

Skaters must be members of the Ice Sports Industry (\$ 15/year) in order to have their tests registered. The Ice Chalet pays the membership fee for students enrolled in classes. If you pass, you will receive an embroidered patch (or ribbon for Alpha 1 and Beta 1) representing the level you have passed. The Ice Chalet will register the test with the ISI for inclusion in their international database.

Beginner through Delta skaters are tested during group class sessions when the instructor decides that the skater is ready, and these tests are included in the class registration cost.

Freestyle, Dance, Couples, Pairs, Figures, etc.

Look for sign-up sheets in the lobby for upcoming test sessions for Freestyle and other advanced skills. Freestyle/Dance/Pairs testing at the Ice Chalet usually takes place the last Sunday of the month, if there are enough sign-ups to justify the session. See test sign-up instructions and fees below. At least one coach/instructor should initial the sign-up for each skater, attesting that they believe the skater is ready to test. Our preference is that the skater should be able to complete each skill to a passing standard at least 80% of the time they attempt it. If a skater decides to test without the attestation of a coach/instructor, please understand that the skater's odds of passing are probably below our preferred standard.

Skaters are required to sign up and pay at least one week before the session.

This has always been the policy, but we will now enforce this as stringently as possible so that the session can be conducted in as professional a manner as possible.

Cost: (Club members receive discounts on these test sessions)

This fee covers the administrative costs associated with conducting tests. If a skater is not successful, s/he must pay again when the test is rescheduled. There are no refunds.

- \$ 30.00 Freestyle 1-6, Dance Levels 1-2, and each individual Dance in Levels 3-6, Figures, Pairs or Couples (per person), etc.
- \$ 60.00 Dance 7-8-9 tests (per dance, not per level)
- \$ 60.00 Freestyle 7-8-9 tests

Freestyle 10 and Dance 10 must be administered at a national ISI event or by special permission via video, and the cost is set by the national office.

Freestyle: Skaters will be asked to perform and to repeat each maneuver in the order in which they are listed in the ISI Skaters and Coaches Manual. They may try each maneuver twice, and the better one will be graded. If they are unable to perform a maneuver to the passing standard at least one of those attempts, the test will be considered incomplete. If they pass all the compulsory maneuvers, the skater must also perform a program to music including all of the maneuvers. The testing instructor will tell the skater if he/she has passed and will usually discuss the performance with the skater. If the skater does not pass, they must retake the entire test, including compulsory maneuvers.

Dance: Skaters are expected to be able to perform each dance separately and with a partner. For dance tests, skaters must be prepared to dance both the male and the female patterns (if they are different).

Be sure to dress appropriately for your test -- the examiner needs to see your neck, arms, and body line.