

# VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS

HOSTED BY NANAIMO SKATING CLUB

Sanctioned by and held under the rules of Skate Canada



#### 2026 Vancouver Island Region Championships

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This competition is sanctioned by Skate Canada and shall be conducted in accordance with current Skate Canada rules.

Events are open to all skaters registered in the Vancouver Island Region and the Powell River Skating Club.

Online registration must be completed by 11:45 p.m., Friday, December 12, 2025. (see page 9 for details)

NOTE: 48 hours following the closing of online registration, a list of all registrants will be posted on the <u>Vancouver Island Region Championships</u> page of Skating in BC website. All entries then have 48 hours to notify the Registrar of any changes. Beyond this time period, no changes will be permitted. This is to facilitate a faster turn-around time for the competition schedule to be published and for the Tech Rep to organize officials for the competition.

DATE: January 22-25, 2026

HOST CLUB: Nanaimo Skating Club

CHAIRPERSON: Diana Etherton

VENUE: Frank Crane Arena, 2300 Bowen Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 3K7

REGISTRATION: Lobby

ICE SURFACE: 85' x 200'

HOTEL: Please see page 10 of this announcement for a list of hotels.

REGISTRAR: Sarah Watts and Sue Smith <a href="mailto:registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com">registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com</a>

TECHNICAL INQUIRIES: Janice Hunter janicedhunter@gmail.com

Janice only answers technical inquiries and not logistics regarding the competition or music. Coaches can contact Janice with their technical questions. All other inquiries are to be sent to <a href="mailto:registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com">registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com</a>



#### **EVENTS TO BE HELD & ENTRY INFORMATION**

Skaters who competed in Pre-Novice or higher free skate categories at the BC/YT Section Championships are not eligible to register for any BC/YT Super Series or regional STARSkate free skate events between November 1 and March 31.

Skaters who competed in Pre-Juvenile or Juvenile free skate categories at the BC/YT Section Championships are not eligible to register for any BC/YT Super Series or regional STARSkate free skate events except STAR 7 and STAR 9 between November 1 and March 31.

Singles skaters may compete in a short program and a free skate program plus STAR Supplementary events. The table below shows the two free skating category options available for singles skaters to enter.

Pre-Juvenile + STAR 7 or STAR 9		Juvenile + STAR 7 or STAR 9			
STAR 7 or STAR 9 + one of STAR 6,8,10 or Gold					
Pre-Juvenile	Women U11	Men U13	\$95.00		
Pre-Juvenile	Women U13		\$95.00		
Introductory	Pairs		\$120.00 per team		
Pre-Juvenile	Pairs		\$120.00 per team		
Pre-Juvenile	Dance		\$120.00 per team		
Juvenile	Women U12	Men U14	\$95.00		
Juvenile	Women U14		\$95.00		
Juvenile	Pairs		\$120.00 per team		
Juvenile (Pattern & Free Dance)	Dance		\$200.00 per team		
Pre-Novice Short Program	Women	Men	\$95.00		
Pre-Novice Free Program	Women	Men	\$95.00		
Pre-Novice	Pairs		\$120.00 per team		
Pre-Novice (Pattern & Free Dance)	Dance		\$200.00 per team		
STAR 1			\$80.00		
STAR 2			\$85.00		
STAR 3			\$85.00		
STAR 4 Free Skate	Girls U10	Boys	\$90.00		
	Girls U13		\$90.00		
	Girls 13 & Over		\$90.00		
STAR 5 Free Skate	Girls U10	Boys	\$95.00		



	Girls U13		\$95.00
	Girls 13 & Over		\$95.00
STAR 6 Free Skate	Women	Men	\$95.00
STAR 7 Short Program	Women	Men	\$95.00
STAR 8 Free Skate	Women	Men	\$95.00
STAR 9 Short Program	Women	Men	\$95.00
STAR 10 Free Skate	Women	Men	\$95.00
Gold Free Skate	Women	Men	\$95.00
Artistic STAR 5			\$95.00
Artistic STAR 7			\$95.00
Artistic STAR 9			\$95.00
Artistic GOLD			\$95.00
Individual Showcase 1			\$85.00
Individual Showcase 2			\$85.00
Individual Showcase 3			\$95.00
Individual Showcase 4			\$95.00
Group Showcase 1			\$100.00 per team
Group Showcase 2			\$100.00 per team
Group Showcase 3			\$110.00 per team
Group Showcase 4			\$110.00 per team
STAR 2 Elements			\$50.00
STAR 3 Elements			\$50.00
STAR 4 Elements			\$50.00
STAR 5 Elements			\$50.00
STAR 6 Elements			\$50.00
STAR 7/8 Elements			\$50.00
STAR 9/10 Elements			\$50.00
Gold Elements			\$50.00
STAR 2 Team Elements			\$80.00 per team
STAR 3 Team Elements			\$80.00 per team
STAR 4 Team Elements			\$80.00 per team
STAR 5 Team Elements			\$80.00 per team
STAR 6 Team Elements	_		\$80.00 per team
STAR 7/8 Team Elements			\$80.00 per team



STAR 9/10 Team Elements			\$80.00 per team
Gold Team Elements			\$80.00 per team
**Special Olympics Singles: Levels 1 – 6 & Open	Women	Men	\$60.00
STAR 3 Synchro			\$100.00 per Team
STAR 4 Synchro			\$100.00 per Team
STAR 2/3 Partnered Pattern Dance			\$120.00 per team
STAR 4/5 Partnered Pattern Dance			\$120.00 per team
STAR 6/7 Partnered Pattern Dance			\$120.00 per team
STAR 8/9 Partnered Pattern Dance			\$120.00 per team
STAR 10/Gold Partnered Pattern Dance			\$120.00 per team
STAR 2/3 Solo Pattern Dance	Lead or Follow		\$80.00
STAR 4/5 Solo Pattern Dance	Lead or Follow		\$80.00
STAR 6/7 Solo Pattern Dance	Lead or Follow		\$80.00
STAR 8/9 Solo Pattern Dance	Lead or Follow		\$80.00
STAR 10/Gold Solo Pattern Dance	Lead or Follow		\$80.00
Adult Free Skate Intro	Women	Men	\$95.00
Adult Free Skate Bronze	Women	Men	\$95.00
Adult Free Skate Silver	Women	Men	\$95.00
Adult Free Skate Gold	Women	Men	\$95.00
Adult Artistic Intro			\$95.00
Adult Artistic Bronze			\$95.00
Adult Artistic Silver			\$95.00
Adult Artistic Gold			\$95.00

## If entries exceed the amount of ice that is available for the competition, Adult, Team Elements, Individual Elements events will be canceled in that order

An Open Elements category may be used if there are insufficient numbers to run STAR 6 and above Element categories.

Adult category specifications will follow the 2025-2026 Adult Program Requirements Guide.



<sup>\*\*</sup>Special Olympics events will be conducted in accordance with the 2025-2029 Special Olympics Technical Requirements posted on the Skating in BC website under Technical/Special Olympics.

Entry fees shall be refunded only if the competition/event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the closing date of entry. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER THE CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES OF THE COMPETITION (December 12, 2025) FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER.

**LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TECH REP AND WILL BE CHARGED DOUBLE THE ENTRY FEE.** Approved late entries forms must be e-mailed to the <u>registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com</u> and payment sent by e-transfer to Region Treasurer, Tara Baxter at <u>viregionaltreasurer@gmail.com</u> within 24 hours of late entry approval.

Any requests for special access to restricted areas must be submitted to the VI Region Registrar <a href="registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com">registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com</a> no later than December 12, 2025, closing date for registration. Requests received after this deadline may not be accommodated, we encourage all participants and coaches to plan accordingly and submit any necessary documentation in advance.

For all categories, age shall be the age of the skater before July 1, 2025, and assessments passed shall be as of December 12, 2025 (closing date of entries). Age categories may be combined if there are insufficient entries in an individual category.

For event requirements and specifications, please refer to the 2025-2026 Skate Canada Podium Pathway and STAR Technical Requirements Guides, posted on the Technical page of the Skating in BC website.

PLANNED PROGRAM SHEETS: Planned Program sheets must be submitted online for all Free Skate and Artistic events for STAR 5-Gold, all Pairs Events and Special Olympics Singles. No Planned Program sheets are required for STAR 1-4, Supplementary events or Adult Artistic. The deadline to submit planned program sheets is Friday, December 12, 2025 (closing date of entries). Click here to submit your planned program information.

• Program updates after Wednesday, December 12, 2025, need to be submitted no later than Monday January 19, 2026, by emailing to registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com.

There will be a \$30.00 fee assessed for failure to submit a Planned Program Sheet by the registration deadline. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition if this fee has not been paid and a planned program sheet has not been completed. All funds from late Planned Program sheets must be paid directly to the Vancouver Island Region prior to the start of the Competition.

A tentative schedule of events will be e-mailed to each club with confirmation of entry and also posted on the <u>Vancouver Island Region Championship</u> page of the Skating in BC website. Any last-minute changes to schedules will be posted on the website and at the arena. **Please note that events may start up to 30 min earlier than scheduled.** 



#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1. **BC/YT SAFESPORT POLICY**: Phone, video, and/or mobile devices must be turned off and put away in bags while in dressing rooms. Parents and coaches are not permitted in dressing rooms; a family area will be provided for skaters who require assistance.
- 2. Should entries in a category be exceedingly large, the event will be divided into smaller groups determined by random draw. Each group will be considered a final. STAR groups will be divided according to age. Age categories may be combined when there are less than 6 entries in a category.
- 3. Skaters choosing to enter multiple events do so with the understanding that there may be scheduling conflicts that are unable to be resolved.
- 4. If entries exceed the amount of ice that is available for the competition, Adult, Team Element, Individual Element events will be canceled in that order.
- 5. All genders will compete together in all STAR Events except free skating.
- 6. Skaters must register/check-in at least one hour before they are scheduled to skate. Please note that events may start up to 30 minutes earlier than scheduled.
- 7. The maximum number of skaters on warm-up for all STAR categories except STAR 1, will be 8.
- 8. Warm-Up Times:

Warmup Times All Categories/Disciplines for BC /YT Competitions Updated September 2025

- 9. Music Requirements:
  - All skaters must submit music online when they register.
  - Music will only be accepted electronically via MP3 format. Do not begin the registration
    process until you have your music file ready to load. Questions can be directed to
    registrarvicompetitions@gmail.com
  - Please ensure the correct music file is provided at initial registration; it may not be possible to substitute or change music after the close of registration.
  - Solo dance competitors who choose to use Skate Canada Contemporary music selections must also submit the music electronically.
  - Music files are not kept for the next competition. Skaters must submit their music for each individual competition.



- A backup USB A flash drive must be at the boards with the coach when the skater is competing.
- Alternate electronic items such as iPhones, tablets, mp3 players etc. will not be accepted.
- The backup USB A flash drive must be labeled with the competitor's full name and home club.
- The backup USB A flash drive will be returned to the registration desk for pick up. The Organizing Competition will accept no responsibility against damage but will take every precaution to safeguard each USB.
- 10. **Coach Accreditation**: To be at ice level during the events, it is mandatory for all participating coaches to wear their 2025/26 BC/YT Section Coach Card Accreditation and register in person at the competition. These Coach Card Accreditations can be purchased through the BC/YT Section Office and must be purchased at least 2 weeks prior to the competition. Temporary accreditation will be issued for \$25 per day by showing current Skate Canada membership and First Aid information.
- 11. Admission will be free to all.
- 12. Persons wishing to take photographs of on ice performances are reminded that use of flash cameras is forbidden. The use of video cameras must be restricted to areas that do not hamper the skaters or officials. PLEASE NOTE: you may only take pictures or videos of your own skater.
- 13. <u>Skate Canada Protest Rule</u> for competitions using CPC will be followed. If there is an event using manual calculation where the results are not posted within one hour of the completion of the last event of the day, the protest must be made to the Event Referee within the first hour of the following day's competition, or to the Technical Representative if the Event Referee is unavailable.
- 14. **Awards**: Presentation of awards will be in the lobby. All STAR 1, 2 and 3 skaters, and Elements (Star 2 & 3) will receive ribbons and report cards corresponding to their final assessment. Medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded in all other events.

**TEAM TROPHY**: Victoria Figure Skating Club Team Trophy is awarded to the Vancouver Island Region club accumulating the most points. Points awarded from the competition results sheets:

Point scoring: First place – 5

Second place – 3 Third place - 1

In events where there are three competitors, points will be awarded as follows:

First place – 3

Second place – 1

Third place – 0

In events where there are two competitors, points will be awarded as follows:

First place – 1



#### ONLINE REGISTRATION

Vancouver Island Region online registration system is with the company Wufoo.com. All registrations must be completed using this online system including music submission and planned program information. Please do not begin the registration process until you have your music file and planned program ready for submission.

IMPORTANT: Please register Skater using the full name associated with their Skate Canada number

#### Click here to register

The registration system will generate an automatic email to the skater. Coaches do not receive an email confirmation, it is recommended that you forward the confirmation email to your Coach.

There is no login required to fill out the Wufoo Competition form. Skaters enter their information, including music files, in all the required fields and then click "Submit". A new page then opens in PayPal. All competition entry fees will be processed through PayPal. (it is <u>not</u> necessary to have a PayPal account to complete the registration process)

If skaters are unsure of what to enter in the various entry form fields, please contact your coach.

### **Hotels in the Nanaimo Area**

**Coast Bastion Hotel** (Hotel has been completely renovated)

11 Bastion Street Nanaimo, BC V9R 6E4 250-753-6601 \$169.99 plus taxes

Block is listed under VI Regional Championships and final date to book is Jan 5, 2026

#### The Grand Hotel

4898 Rutherford Road
Nanaimo, BC
V9T 4Z4
250-758-3000
\$125 plus taxes for standard room
\$155 plus taxes for deluxe room
Block is listed under Nanaimo Skating Club and final date to book is Jan 5, 2026.

