

*Puerto Rican*   
*Figure Skating Federation*

**2005 Puerto Rican  
Figure Skating  
National Championships**

Sunday, April 17, 2005

*Federación Puertorriqueña de Patinaje Artístico Sobre  
Hielo  
Campeonato Nacional de Patinaje Artístico Sobre Hielo  
2005*

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# 2005 PUERTO RICAN NATIONAL COMPETITION

## Official Announcement for the 2005 PUERTO RICAN FIGURE SKATING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS Sanctioned by the Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation (Provisional Member of the International Skating Union)

The 2005 Puerto Rican Figure Skating National Championships will be held at the Taylor Sports Complex (aka TSX) which is located at 13333 Telegraph Road, Taylor, MI 48180. The event is expected to be held on the weekend of Sunday, April 17, 2005 (with ice time specifics still being worked on at time of publication).

**NOTE:** All entries, signatures, fees, and documents to accompany this application MUST be received at the same time and be POSTMARKED by midnight, February 26, 2005.

**RULES:** The competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules as set forth in the 2005-06 edition of the USFSA Rule Book (for Adult Skaters), ISU Special Regulations for Single/Pair Skating and Ice Dancing (adopted June, 2004 for Junior and Senior levels), and ISU Communication 1288 (for Novice level). The National divisions shall include the Novice, Junior and Senior levels (as described below). The Adult Nationals shall include Bronze, Silver and Gold levels. All divisions have the equivalent Free Skate, Pair and Dance subcategories. Adult levels may be combined, at the discretion of the Competition Committee, if any level has just one entrant. For categories with limited entries (i.e. perhaps just one entrant), the Competition Committee may only require the performance of the Free Skate or Free Dance. There are age requirements or limitations, and test requirements, for all divisions, as described below:

To Be Eligible for the listed Division	You must be at least	and must not have reached	all as of July 1, 2005	and tested no less than the ES/Pair/Dance level
Novice Single,	10	15		USFSA Juvenile
Pair & Dance	10	15 for Ladies and 17 for Men		USFSA Juvenile
Junior Single,	13	19		USFSA Intermediate
Pair & Dance	13	19 for Ladies and 21 for Men		USFSA Intermediate
Senior (all)	14	(no upper limit)		USFSA Junior
Any Adult	25	(no upper limit)		USFSA at the level competed

**NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY:** This competition is open to all eligible and re-instated persons who: (1) are of Puerto Rican heritage or residency, as described below; and (2) are USFSA members for 2004-05; and (3) shall be eligible to enter events based on USFSA test status as of February 26, 2005; and (4) skaters must be US citizens. Adult skaters may compete at their test level only, except that Pre-Bronze skaters may compete at the Bronze level. Single skaters must compete at their free skating test level or higher, BUT NOT BOTH, based on the table listed above. All skater's birth certificates must be included with the application.

### Puerto Rican Heritage:

A skater must fulfill the basic requirement that the skater, and/or at least one parent, and/or at least one grandparent, was/were born in Puerto Rico. Proof of the aforementioned Puerto Rican birthplace must be made by providing a copy of the Puerto Rican birth certificate to accompany the competition application. If Puerto Rican birth is proven through the grandparent, then the application MUST also include both the grandparent AND the intervening parent birth certificate (no matter where that comes from) in order to show that there is a direct link between the grandparent to the parent, and finally to the skater. Skaters who have competed at the 2004 Puerto Rican Nationals have already satisfied this requirement and need not re-submit their birth certificates.

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### Puerto Rican Residency:

In lieu of a Puerto Rican birth certificate, a skater must have Puerto Rican residency and be able to prove such. Under current ISU rules, in order for a figure skater to represent Puerto Rico, a skater must have been a continuous resident of Puerto Rico for a period of one year as of July 1, 2005, and be able to prove such residency status. All current Puerto Rican residents who otherwise meet the requirements identified above are eligible to enter this competition.

### **NATIONAL SKATERS:**

Skaters who have represented another ISU member (like the USA) or skated in another ISU member country's National Competition must seek their ISU member's national approval in order to skate in our competition.

**EVENTS AND AWARDS:** Medals will be awarded for first through fourth places.

**ENTRIES AND FEES:** ALL entries must be postmarked no later than February 26, 2005. Late entries may be accepted by the discretion of the competition committee and will include an additional late fee of \$25.00. There will be a \$25.00 fee assessed for NSF checks. Fees are per person, per event, in U.S. dollars. Fees are as follows:

Novice through Senior Level	\$135.00
Adult	\$ 95.00
Pair or Dance (per skater, per event)	\$ 75.00

Skaters may enter any event for which they are eligible. All forms (Forms A, B, C and D) must be submitted with each and every entry. For pair and dance, each partner must fill out an application. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN FOR ANY REASON, INCLUDING MEDICAL, AFTER THE February 26, 2005 CUTOFF DEADLINE, EXCEPT FOR DEATH IN THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY.**

Entry forms must be filled out completely and mailed, along with a check, made payable to "*PUERTO RICAN FIGURE SKATING FEDERATION*". **YOU MUST INCLUDE A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED LEGAL SIZED ENVELOPE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION OF COMPETITION TIMES.**

SEND ENTRIES TO: PRFSF Attn: Mark Reina, 34124 Moore, Farmington, MI 48335  
DIRECT INQUIRIES TO: Mark Reina (248) 474-2903 [mydreina@yahoo.com](mailto:mydreina@yahoo.com)

**REGISTRATION:** The official registration desk will be located in the lobby of the Taylor Sports Complex. Registration will open one and one-half hours prior to the first event. Competitors must register at least one hour prior to their first event, and skaters should be in the rink one hour before subsequent events.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES:** An official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby of the rink. Posting of schedules and announcements thereon shall constitute sufficient official notice to competitors, coaches, and officials.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:** A COMPETITION CONFIRMATION and EVENT TIMES will be mailed to each competitor approximately three (3) weeks after the closing date for those competitors who have included a stamped and self addressed envelope. Please check the official bulletin board immediately upon arrival for any changes. Schedules will be posted at the Figure Skater's Website: <http://www.sk8stuff.com/default.asp>

**OFFICIAL ARENA:** Competitive events will be at the Taylor Sports Complex. The one ice surface measures 85' X 200'. The facilities have dressing rooms, ample parking, and a concession area.

**MUSIC:** Music will be reproduced through the rink sound system from cassettes or CDs furnished by each competitor. Music will be provided for compulsory dance. Cassettes or CDs must be furnished by each competitor for all other events. **ALL Music MUST BE TURNED IN PROPERLY LABELED AND RE-WOUND AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION.** ALL skaters should have additional copies available as back-ups. Tapes should not exceed thirty minutes in length. (It is preferred that ten minute tapes be used). Tapes should be recorded on one side only. No broken cassettes will be accepted.

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**VIDEOGRAPHY:** A videographer will be available to make VHS recordings of the event at a cost. You may either bring a blank VHS tape or purchase one from the vendor. The recording will be mailed to you approximately 2 to 3 weeks after the event. Purchase cost for this recording is \$30 (for the entire event).

**COMPETITOR BIOGRAPHY:** The PRFSF will be compiling a competition program. If you would like the PRFSF to consider any competitor biographical info or pictures for this program, please e-mail this information to: [mydreina@yahoo.com](mailto:mydreina@yahoo.com). The competition committee reserves the right to edit for space or other concerns.

**PRACTICE ICE TIME:** Practice ice time is available either through drop-in figure skating time or private time for competitors only still being worked out with the Taylor Sports Complex. If you are interested in private competitor ice time, include the form at the end of this announcement package with your application (along with an additional \$20 in your payment).

**LIMITED ICE TIME:** The amount of ice time secured for this competition is limited. Priority will be given to National Event registrants, and then to Open Event registrants as time and scheduling concerns are satisfied.

### **COMPETITIVE REPRESENTATION DISCLAIMER NOTICE:**

The Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation is a provisional member of the International Skating Union. From time to time, the PRFSF receives invitations from the ISU and other ISU member skating federations to allow Puerto Rican figure skater(s) to enter an international figure skating competition. Consequently, this National Championship will be used as a primary, but not sole, decision making criteria for Puerto Rican representation in such international figure skating competitions that are sanctioned by the ISU. Eligibility for such events is still primarily controlled by ISU rules. Other factors to be used by the PRFSF to determine placement for such representation include, but are not limited to: membership in the PRFSF, existence of a contractual relationship, skater health, skater competitiveness, review of the competition season in total, and available funding. Non-attendance at this National Championship will reduce the likelihood that a figure skater will be selected as Puerto Rico's representative in any such international competition.

Special Age Notice: Eligibility for ISU events is based, in part, on the skater's age. Selection by a skater to compete in any specific level at this National Championship does NOT preclude the PRFSF from selecting the skater to represent the PRFSF at a different level. For example, a 14 year old skater may compete as a Junior at this National Championship. However, the PRFSF is free to select this skater to represent the PRFSF at an ISU event as either a Novice, Junior, or Senior. This decision is subject to the sole discretion and judgment of the PRFSF. However, the skater is free to decide not to represent the PRFSF at the different level.

Adult Age Notice: For your information, an ISU adult is generally a skater who has reached 30 years of age by July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding that particular competition season. A 25 year old may compete at this event as an adult skater, but will NOT be considered eligible by the ISU for ISU Adult competitions.

### **LOCAL HOTEL RESERVATIONS:**

There are three hotels near the ice arena just south on Telegraph Road and east on Eureka Road. The room rates are exclusive of tax. These are:

Ramada Inn	Red Roof Inn	Super 8 Motel
20777 Eureka Road	21230 Eureka Road	15101 Huron (visible from Eureka)
Taylor, MI 48180	Taylor, MI 48180	Taylor, MI 48180
734-283-2200	734-374-1150	734-283-8830
\$69reg/\$79deluxe	\$58reg/\$63deluxe	\$51single/\$55double

There are many restaurants near these hotels. There are also many shopping stores, such as: Southland Shopping Mall, Gibraltar Trade Center, and Meijer's Thrifty Acres. All are on Eureka Road. Of course, if you decide to stay at a different hotel near the airport, you will still be within 10 miles or 20 minutes of the ice rink.

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## EVENT CATEGORIES, TIMES AND REQUIREMENTS

### FREE SKATING / FREE DANCE

<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>MINUTES</u>	<u>REQUIRED ELEMENTS</u>
Novice	3:00 (Ladies) 3:30 (Men/Pairs)	Program requirements according to ISU Communication 1288 Guidelines for Novice Competitions
Junior	3:30 (Ladies) 4:00 (Men) 4:00 (Pairs)	Program requirements according to ISU Special Regulations - Single and Pair Skating 2004 (adopted June 2004) Ice Dancing 2004 (adopted June 2004)
Senior	4:00 (Ladies) 4:30 (Men) 4:30 (Pairs)	Program requirements according to ISU Special Regulations - Single and Pair Skating 2004 (adopted June 2004) Ice Dancing 2004 (adopted June 2004)
Adult - Gold	2:30	Program requirements according to 2004-05 USFSA rulebook. However, jump elements are limited to 6 maximum.
Adult - Silver	2:00	Program requirements according to 2004-05 USFSA rulebook. However, jump elements are limited to 5 maximum.
Adult - Bronze	2:00	Program requirements according to 2004-05 USFSA rulebook. However, jump elements are limited to 4 maximum.

### SHORT PROGRAMS / ORIGINAL DANCE

Novice	2:30 or less	Program requirements according to ISU Communication 1288 Guidelines for Novice Competitions
Junior	2:50 or less	Program requirements according to ISU Special Regulations - Single and Pair Skating 2004 (adopted June 2004) Ice Dancing 2004 (adopted June 2004)
Senior	2:50 or less	Program requirements according to ISU Special Regulations - Single and Pair Skating 2004 (adopted June 2004) Ice Dancing 2004 (adopted June 2004)

NOTE: This competition occurs according to the 2005-06 competition year rules.

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APRIL, 2005 PUERTO RICAN NATIONAL ENTRY FORM

Form A

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Female: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ USFSA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Test Passed: Freestyle: \_\_\_\_\_ Pair: \_\_\_\_\_ Dance: \_\_\_\_\_ Moves: \_\_\_\_\_

(Print) Professional's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Coach/Professional's USFSA #: \_\_\_\_\_ PSA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Single***

Senior

Junior

Novice

Adult Gold

Adult Silver

Adult Bronze

## ***Pair***

Senior

Junior

Novice

Adult Gold

Adult Silver

Adult Bronze

## ***Dance***

Senior

Junior

Novice

Adult Gold

Adult Silver

Adult Bronze

## **Contestant Certification**

I am an eligible skater under the rules of the United States Figure Skating Association to enter the event(s) checked on the registration form.

I am requesting to compete at the Puerto Rican Nationals. (initial one or more of the following that apply)

\_\_\_\_\_ I, one or both of my parents, or one or more of my grandparents, was born on the island of Puerto Rico; and I am submitting a copy of the birth certificate (of that person, and of the parent in case the grandparent was born on Puerto Rico) that proves this. I also certify that I am a US citizen in accordance with the rules of the Puerto Rican Olympic Committee (COPUR) and the Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation (PRFSF).

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a resident of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. I am including proof of my residency.

The PRFSF and the organizers of competitions undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by skaters or officials. As condition of, and in consideration of, the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents and guardians and officials, the PRFSF, and against the officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition. I hereby assign all rights to, and release from, liability the PRFSF and its assigns to use my name and image, either in still form or in motion, for non-profit use in any form of media.

Skater Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(if the Skater is under 18 years of age- there must be parent or legal guardian)

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## Certification of Club Officer or Test Chair

Form B

To the best of my knowledge, the information indicated on this application is true and correct. The competitor is a member in good standing of our club.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Certification of Coach

To the best of my knowledge, the information indicated on this application is true and correct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Waiver of Claims for Injury

The competitor and family holds the Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation harmless from any and all liability for injuries to the Competitor and from any and all liabilities for damages to, or loss of property. I also understand that no refunds will be made after February 26, 2005, INCLUDING MEDICAL. The only exception is a death in the immediate family, or cancellation due to lack of entries.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entries must be postmarked by February 26, 2005**

**U.S. Funds only.**

**\$25.00 fee for returned checks.**

**No refunds will be given after Closing Date.**

**Novice, Junior, and Senior Freeskate Event \$135.00**

**Adult Events \$95          Pair and Dance Events \$75 per skater**

**Make your check payable to the "Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation"**

**Mail to: Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation**

**Attn: Mark Reina**

**34124 Moore**

**Farmington, MI 48335**

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Form C

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Competition Assistance**

The Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation needs you to make this competition a success. We need assistance running the competition; catering for the officials; and gifts for the skaters. Please identify how you can assist the PRFSF in running this event.

Yes No I can help run this event by assisting (i.e. ice monitor, announcing, playing music, lobby signup, selling flowers, runner, etc.). If you volunteer to help run this event, check out at the lobby registration to see where you have been assigned.

Yes No I can provide tax deductible, monetary assistance: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No I can provide tax deductible, goods for gifts: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Advertisements**

The PRFSF will be accepting applications to place advertisements in the Competition Program. If you would like to place an advertisement in the program, please fill out the information below and return this form with your competition entry application. Attach the artwork for the advertisement and mail to: Mark Reina, 34124 Moore, Farmington, MI 48335.

<u>Size</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Business Card	\$10	_____
Quarter Page Ad	\$25	_____
Half Page Ad	\$50	_____
Full Page Ad	\$100	_____
Back Cover Page	\$120	_____
Total		_____

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## **PRACTICE ICE TIME**

Would you like practice ice at a cost of \$20 on Saturday (1hr near 2-4PM)? **YES NO**

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## **VIDEO ORDER**

Would you like to pre-order the competition video at a cost of \$30? **YES NO**

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## PHYSICIAN INFORMATION

Form D

Name of Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Insurance Company Information

Name of Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Insured: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event I am unavailable, I hereby give my permission for any medical treatment by the physician representative of the medical committee of the sanctioned competition of which I (my son/daughter) is entered. I further authorize and consent to the release of any pertinent medical information and records regarding the treatment, diagnosis, and/or examination (of myself) (my son/daughter) to the PRFSF Competition Committee and the medical staff of the competition for which I am entered.

Skater Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(if the Skater is under 18 years of age- there must be parent or legal guardian)

**THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ENTRY**

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### Fee Summary Section

Single Free Skate	\$135	_____
Pair/Dance	\$75	_____
Adult	\$95	_____
Advertisements		_____
Practice Ice	\$20	_____
Video Order	\$30	_____
Late Fees	\$25	_____
Other Fees	_____	_____
	Total	_____

Make check payable to the "Puerto Rican Figure Skating Federation"

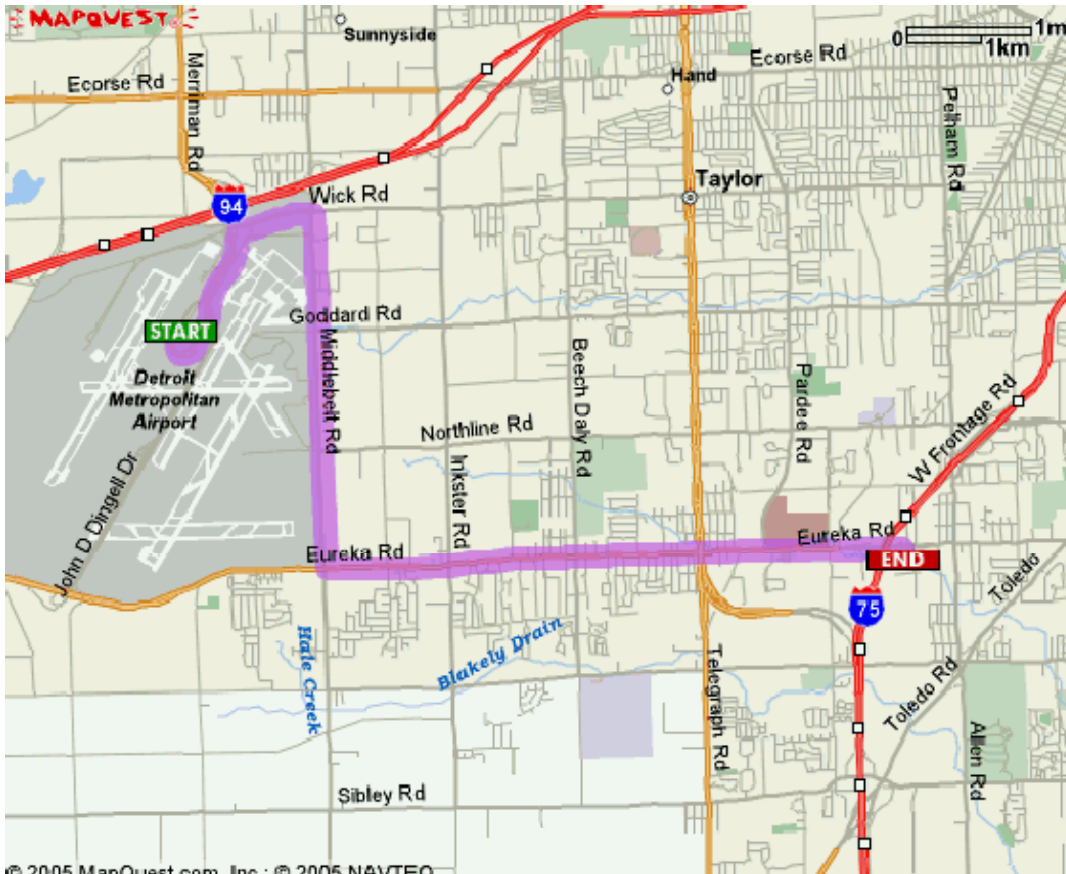
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### **TRAVEL DIRECTIONS** (from Mapquest.com)

From Detroit Metro Airport to local Hotels

NOTE: These directions are designed to avoid lots of road construction!  
(especially in the I94 and Telegraph intersection area)

- 1: Start out going **NORTHEAST** on **WILLIAM G ROGELL DR**  
toward **JOHN D DINGELL DR**. 1.2 miles
  - 2: **WILLIAM G ROGELL DR** becomes ramp. 0.1 miles
  - 3: Turn **RIGHT** onto **GODDARD RD EXT**. 0.6 miles
  - 4: Turn **RIGHT (SOUTH)** onto **MIDDLEBELT RD**. 3.0 miles
  - 5: Turn **LEFT (EAST)** onto **EUREKA RD**. 4.5 miles
  - 6: Red Roof Inn on left side / Ramada and Super 8 on right side of Eureka
- Total Est. Time:** 17 minutes **Total Est. Distance:** 9 ½ miles



### **TRAVEL DIRECTIONS**

From local Hotel to Taylor Sports Complex

About 2 ½ miles

- 1: Turn **WEST** onto **EUREKA RD**.
- 2: Turn **RIGHT (NORTH)** onto **PARDEE RD**
- 3: Turn Left (**WEST**) onto Superior Parkway
- 4: End Taylor Sports Complex 13333 Telegraph Road