

Crystal Ice Figure Skating Club
Synchronized Skating Team
Tryout Information

What to Expect at Tryouts:

- Please arrive 10 minutes early in order for skaters to check-in by handing in your registration form and check payable to CIFSC.
- Returning skaters should come to tryouts dressed in a solid black/navy skating dress or leotard/skirt. New skaters should wear a skating dress and tights, if possible. Hair should be pulled back neatly in a ponytail. Skaters may bring a water bottle.
- Tryouts will begin promptly at the scheduled times.
- Skaters are not expected to be able to perform each maneuver well, but they should attempt each maneuver to the best of their ability.
- There should be no talking while skaters are on the ice. The ability to listen and follow directions will be taken into account for evaluation.
- Please note that tryouts are not meant to be stressful, but to allow the coaches to get a better sense of where each skater will best fit in the CIFSC synchronized program. Remember, the most important part of tryouts is to try your best, SMILE and have fun!

How Teams are Formed

Skaters will be placed by age, ability and attitude. The goal is to place all skaters interested in synchronized skating on a team. We want to make sure that skaters are placed on a team that best meets their needs while maintaining competitive teams for each division. Team divisions will be determined by the coaching staff based on the following:

- The number of skaters at tryouts
- The age of skaters at tryouts
- The test level and ability of skaters
- Attitude on and off the ice
- Ability to work with music and tempo

Skaters will receive their team placement on the evening of the second date of tryouts. Team listings will also be posted on the website.

2011 - 2012 Season Information

- Fee Estimate: Last year's fees were \$436 (PP), \$542 (CR) and \$535 (CE) per skater and included ice time, coaching fees, costumes, competitions and miscellaneous. Makeup was an additional \$16, if needed (we will use the same make up again this season). Keep in mind these prices did include the full cost of dresses; so if you receive your same dress back, there is no costume fee for this year. Dress exchanges will be made according to team placements.
- During the regular season (September into March), Open Juvenile Teams practice weekly on Sunday evenings, while the Beginner Team will practice weekly on Monday evenings.
- It is anticipated that each team will compete in 3 competitions from December through March and will also perform at all 3 Ice Shows next spring.