

# 2019-2020 U.S. Figure Skating National Synchronized Skating Series



Eastern, Midwestern, and Pacific Coast National Synchronized  
Skating Series Competitions will take place from

October, 2019 – March, 2020

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U.S. Figure Skating is excited to continue with the National Synchronized Skating Series for the 2019-2020 season. This program is open to synchronized teams at the nonqualifying levels where they will all compete against one another in a national competition series.

**EVENT OVERVIEW & ENTRY FEE:** This season, teams will register with U.S. Figure Skating as participants in the series based on the number of competitions the team chooses to compete in.

*Tier 1:* Teams that are entered in this tier will have **three or fewer** competitions count towards their overall score.

*Tier 2:* Teams that are entered in this tier will have **four or more** competitions count towards their overall score.

Once a team's tier is selected for the series, teams may not change their tier.

The cost to participate is \$115 per team with no per skater fee. In order for a team to earn points within the National Synchro Series, they **must** register by Monday, October 21 with U.S. Figure Skating as a participant.

**LEVELS OFFERED:** Snowplow Sam synchro, synchro skills 1, synchro skills 2, synchro skills 3, preliminary, pre-juvenile, open juvenile, open collegiate, open adult and open masters.

**COMPETITIONS:** Teams may enter any participating series competitions.

**POINTS:** Points earned will be weighted based on the number of teams entering any particular competition event, so the teams that place the highest in the largest group will receive the most points (please see Chart A for details). The median score will be calculated based on the points awarded per competition. In the case of qualifying and final rounds, the qualifying round points will be counted and teams placing in the top three of the final round will receive two extra bonus points, fourth through sixth will receive one bonus point. The most points any team can receive in one competition is 12. If there are more than 10 teams in one competition group, first place will still receive 10 points.

\*Note that Snowplow Sam and synchro skills events will be conducted under the U.S. Figure Skating Compete USA rules, which do not allow more than six teams in any group.

**ACCOUNTING:** Within 24 hours of each competition's conclusion, the Chief Accountant will be required to e-mail the event results to Sarah Arnold ([sarnold@usfigureskating.org](mailto:sarnold@usfigureskating.org)), Athlete Development Manager. U.S. Figure Skating Headquarters will track and report all series standings.

**AWARDS and SERIES STANDINGS:** All competitors will receive a pin for participating. Teams placing in the top 3 for each level (both Tier 1 and Tier 2) will receive a medal. Winners in each level in Tier 2 will also receive a trophy. Participant pins will be mailed by January and medals and/or trophy will be mailed to the team contact listed on the entry form, approximately 3 weeks following the conclusion of the last event in the series.



**AWARDING OF POINTS – CHART A**

**SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHALLENGE SERIES  
POINTS AWARDED for PLACEMENTS AT EACH  
COMPETITION**

Number of Teams Entered	PLACEMENT				
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Remaining
<b>10 (or more) Teams</b>	10	8	6	4	2
<b>9 Teams</b>	9	7	5	3	2
<b>8 Teams</b>	8	6	4	2	1
<b>7 Teams</b>	7	5	3	1	1
<b>6 Teams*</b>	6	4	2	1	1
<b>5 Teams</b>	5	3	1	1	1
<b>4 Teams</b>	4	2	1	1	
<b>3 Teams</b>	3	2	1		
<b>2 Teams</b>	2	1			
<b>1 Team</b>	1				

*\* Per Compete USA rules, teams competing in Snowplow Sam and Synchro Skills 1, 2 or 3 will not compete in groups larger than 6. If teams are split into groups, teams will earn points based on the number they compete against.*

*\*Qualifying round placements will be counted towards a team's total score. When a final round is held, , teams placing 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> will receive two extra bonus points and teams placing 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> will receive one extra bonus point towards their team's total score.*

