

## Figure Skating

Official Special Olympics rules for Figure Skating can be found on the <u>SOI Figure Skating</u> website. If Figure Skating becomes an official sport of Special Olympics Minnesota, an SOMN handbook will be created from these rules. Here are some details to get you started.

## Equipment

- Figure Skates
- Indoor or outdoor ice rink
- Warm clothes
- Helmet for beginners

## How to Practice

- Establish a training program based on experience.
- Beginner
  - o Instruction on basics, clothes, and skates
  - o Dry land instruction on falling, balancing, and walking with skates
  - o On ice skating
- Intermediate
  - Skating skills instruction
  - Supervised free skate
- Advanced
  - o Intro to competition format
  - Skills Review
  - o Competition Simulation
- More resources can be found on pages 26-31 of the SOI Figure Skating

## Possible Events

- Events
  - o Badge Competition (intended for local and program level competition)
    - Singles rules are on pages 6-7 in SOI Figure Skating Rules
  - Singles
  - o Pair Skating
  - Ice Dancing
  - o Unified Pairs Skating
  - Unified Ice Dancing
  - Unified Synchronized Skating