



Markham Skating Club

Grand Prix 2017-2018

Markham Skating Club is pleased to announce the 2017-2018 GRAND PRIX Competitions. This program gives skaters an opportunity to earn points by competing in free skating competitions during this season. Grand Prix Winners are announced at the MSC Awards Banquet (May 5, 2018).

“A” Stream—“Invitational” Competitions:

March 6, 2017 – March 5, 2018

- **KESWICK INVITATIONAL SKATE** Keswick, ON (Nov. 24 – 26, 2017)
- **CHARLES DOVER MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL** Grimsby, ON (Jan. 12 – 14, 2018)
- **WINTER GLITTERS** Richmond Hill, ON (Jan. 27, 2018)
- **2018 SKATE ONTARIO STARSKATE INVITATIONAL** Brampton, ON (Feb. 2 – 4, 2018)
- **MARCH MANIA** Lefroy, ON (Mar. 2 – 4, 2018)
- **“Skater’s Choice”**: any additional competition not listed; only one will be considered toward the standings.

“A” Stream Points will be awarded as follows:

- 1st place finish in a FINAL event awarded 10 points
- 2nd place finish in a FINAL event awarded 7 points
- 3rd place finish in a FINAL event awarded 4 points
- 4th place finish in a FINAL event awarded 2 points
- 5th place finish in a FINAL event awarded 1 point

UNFLIGHTED COMPETITIONS

Medal Placement – 5 bonus points

Top 10 – 3 bonus points

Rules:

- Skaters can enter as many of the named competitions as they wish but do not need to enter all of the named competitions.
- **Skaters will earn points from their top 3 competition finishes.**
- All competition entries must be done so with the approval of your private coach.
- Competition must be completed by March 5, 2018.
- Skaters must be a member in good standing with Markham Skating Club and list Markham Skating Club as their home club.
- Only free skate results will be considered.
- In competitions where skaters are permitted to enter multiple freeski events, (*i.e.* Star 8/Star 9), the higher placement earned will be counted and not both.
- If there is a tie in points, the tie-breaking system will be as follows:
 - **1st Tie Breaker**: skater with the highest placement will be the winner
 - **2nd Tie Breaker**: skater with the higher placement at their first competition
 - **3rd Tie Breaker**: skater with the higher placement at the second competition
 - **4th Tie Breaker**: skater who competed against a higher number of competitors in all 3 competitions combined will be deemed the winner.

Minimum standard for consideration: To maintain the spirit of the Competitive Grand Prix (*i.e.* Competitive excellence), skaters must accumulate a minimum of 9 points to be eligible for this award. If more than one skater meets this standard, then the skater with the highest total points wins.





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“B” Stream Competitions:

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- **THORNHILL SUMMER SKATE** Thornhill, ON (Aug. 17 - 19, 2017)
- **OCTOBERFEST** Barrie, ON (Oct. 12 - 15, 2017)
- **SKATE ONTARIO SECTIONALS** Oakville, ON (Nov. 2 - 5, 2017)
- **WINTERSKATE** Whitby, ON (Jan. 26 - 28, 2018)
- **SKATE ONTARIO STARSKATE INVITATIONAL** Brampton, ON (Feb. 2 – 4, 2018)
- **“Skater’s Choice”**: any additional competition not listed; only one will be considered toward the standings.

“B” Stream Points will be awarded as follows:

INVITATIONALS

Win - 10 points

Medal Placement - 8 points

Top 5 Placement - 5 points

Top Half Placement - 3 points

Top 10 Placement - 2 points

SECTIONALS* (Juvenile & Above)

Medal Placement – 15 points

Top 10 – 10 points

Top 25% – 7 points

Top half – 5 points

***Will include Pre-Juvenile categories if held at Sectionals as a FINAL event**

“B” Stream Rules:

- Skaters can enter as many of the named competitions as they wish but do not need to enter all of the named competitions.
- **Skaters will earn points from their Top 3 competition finishes.**
- All competition entries must be done so with the approval of your private coach.
- Competition must be completed by March 5, 2018
- Skaters must be a member in good standing with Markham Skating Club and list Markham Skating Club as their home club.
- If by virtue of the number of competitors that a placement qualifies for two tiers, then the skater will be awarded the higher point value (*i.e. if there is a field of 40 competitors and a skater finishes 10th, this means they accomplished the Top 10 value AND the Top 25% value; instances such as this will be awarded the higher point total*)
- For categories in which there are two programs to be skated:
 - When competition is a combined Short Program & Long Program, the overall result will be the one used for points.
 - When competition is separate Short Program and Long Program events, the higher of the two placements will be the one used for points.





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“B” Stream Rules - CONTINUED:

Minimum standard for consideration: To maintain the spirit of the Competitive Grand Prix (eg. Competitive excellence), skaters Must accumulate a minimum of 9 points to be eligible for this award. If more than one skater meets this standard, then the skater with the highest total points wins.

- If there is a tie in points, the tie-breaking system will be as follows:
 - **1st Tie Breaker:** skater with the higher placement at Sectionals/StarSkate Championships will be deemed the winner
 - **2nd Tie Breaker:** if both skaters have identical placement at Sectionals/StarSkate Championships, skater with the higher point total from both invitational events will be deemed the winner
 - **3rd Tie Breaker:** if both skaters have equal placement at Sectionals/StarSkate Championships and equal point total from their combined invitational results, the skater with the higher placement from their first invitational event will be deemed the winner
 - **4th Tie Breaker:** if a tie still remains, the skater who competed against a higher number of competitors in all 3 competitions combined will be deemed the winner.