



## Sweeper Tryouts Presented by Dedham Savings for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2025 to Take Place Sunday, December 8, 2024

Open tryouts to find 40 sweepers from across the region for the world championship event

BOSTON (November 12, 2024) – The Skating Club of Boston, the local organizing committee for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2025, has partnered with Dedham Savings to host the official sweeper tryouts for figure skating's most prestigious annual competition. The Dedham Savings Sweepers will be 40 skaters aged 6-14 years old who will pick up stuffed animals and other skater gifts thrown on the ice after a skater's performance during the five-day event.

The Sweeper Tryouts presented by Dedham Savings will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2024, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Tenley E. Albright Performance Center at The Skating Club of Boston. During the tryouts, registered skaters will be asked to perform drills taught onsite and participate in warm-ups and other activities that will simulate sweeper responsibilities during the event.

Judges will include Olympic Medalist Mirai Nagasu, representatives from Dedham Savings, and local figure-skating officials.

"We are so fortunate to partner with The Skating Club of Boston, which is a leader in American Figure Skating, and to be associated with the prestigious ISU World Championship event taking place in Boston," said Liz Bissell, Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer, Dedham Savings. "We're thrilled to sponsor The Sweepers Tryouts and participate in the judging event to select local, young skaters for a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to compete for this exciting, sought-after Sweeper role."

"Sweepers are a long-standing tradition at these large, international events. These local tryouts are a great way to open this world-class event to the community, and to offer these young skaters a once-in-a-lifetime experience skating on the same ice as the best figure skaters in the world," said Doug Zeghibe, CEO and Executive Director of The Skating Club of Boston, the local organizing committee for the event. "We are fortunate to have Dedham Savings as a longstanding partner to help support this event and these kids from across the region who will be representing the United States and Boston as the host city."

Skaters must be available for the tryouts on December 8, 2024 and mandatory practices on Saturday, February 8, 2025, and Monday, March 24, 2025. The deadline to register for the tryouts is Sunday, November 24, 2024.

To register and for more information about the Sweeper Tryouts presented by Dedham Savings, please visit <u>isuworlds2025.com/sweepers</u>.

Tickets for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2025 are currently on sale and information about tickets and the event can be found at <a href="www.isuworlds2025.com">www.isuworlds2025.com</a>. To stay up-to-date with the event, follow the official social channels on <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a> and <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>.

## **About Dedham Savings**

Incorporated in 1831, <u>Dedham Savings</u> is one of the oldest banks in Massachusetts still doing business under its original charter. The Bank delivers technology-driven solutions in a client-centric way to promote the financial success of the individuals, families, businesses, and non-profit organizations in the communities it serves. Dedham Savings manages \$2.3 billion in assets through full-service locations and loan offices in Dedham, Needham, Norwood, Sharon, South Boston, Walpole, and Westwood, Massachusetts. Dedham Savings is Member FDIC, Member DIF, and an Equal Housing Lender.

## About The Skating Club of Boston

The Skating Club of Boston, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation, is the third-oldest skating club in the country and a founding member of U.S. Figure Skating. The mission of The Skating Club of Boston is to be the leader in advancing participation, education, and excellence in all disciplines of skating for people of all ages, abilities, and means. In addition to managing numerous training programs, the Club produces many local, national, and international competitions, including serving as the local organizing committee for the upcoming 2025 ISU World Figure Skating Championships. The Club also manages the Boston Common Frog Pond in a year-round partnership with the Boston Parks Department. Its Skating Academy, New England's premiere skating school, offers skating instruction for children and adults of all ages, with nine campuses in the Boston and Metro Boston region. More information about the Club and its programs can be found at <a href="https://www.scboston.org">www.scboston.org</a>.

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