ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 Figure Skating



ANNOUNCEMENT

ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017

An Invitational International Senior Competition

for

Men, Ladies, Pairs and Ice Dance

organized by

Chinese Skating Association

held in

Shanghai, China

November 24 - 26, 2017

under the authorization of the

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

1. General Regulations

The ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 is an Invitational Competition for Short Track Speed Skating, Figure Skating and Synchronized Skating. For the Synchronized Skating and Short Track Speed Skating competitions, please refer to the respective Announcements.

Participation in the **ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017** is open to all invited Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify with regard to eligibility according to ISU Constitution and General Regulations Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in ISU Rule 108, paragraph 3.a) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirement in ISU Rule 109, and ISU Communication No. 2030 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 2030 all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate. Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must to be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

At the ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017, only Free Skating/Dance Programs will be skated.

Entries can only be made through the ISU Members.

2. Schedule

As per Appendix A (Preliminary Event Schedule)

3. Technical Data

Place Shanghai Oriental Sports Center

701 Yaoti Road, Pudong New Area, Shanghai, China

(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 x 30 m, air-conditioned and heated)

MEN

Free Skating In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 612 and the

respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced

program" and the element value.

Duration: 4 min. and 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

LADIES

Free Skating In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 612 and the

respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced

program" and the element value.

Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

PAIR SKATING

Free Skating In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Figure Skating & Pairs Skating 2016, Rule 621

and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well

balanced program" and the element value.

Duration: 4 min. and 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

ICE DANCE

Free Dance In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710. The required

elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communication 2076, 2086 and

subsequent updates.

Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

4. Entries

Participation in the "ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 of Figure Skating" is open to the top twelve (12) skaters/couples of each category of the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2017 and the top three (3) skaters/couples of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2017 based on invitations as follows:

- The top five (5) Ladies/Men skaters and one (1) skater from the host country for Single Skating;
- the top four (4) couples for Pair Skating;
- the top four (4) couples and one (1) couple from the host country for Ice Dance.

In case that any of the invited skaters is unable to participate, the next best ranked skater of ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2017 will be invited. If the participants are still not enough, the top three (3) skaters of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships will be invited.

In accordance with the criteria of invitation indicated above invited ISU Members must confirm their skaters' participation to the Organizing Committee, the ISU Secretariat by **September 15, 2017**.

Entries by name, as well as entry of Judges and delegation must be entered on the official forms and must reach the following by October 13, 2017:

Organizing Committee

Chinese Skating Association (CSA)

Xu Yue

E-mail: shanghaitrophy@163.com and chnfs@chnfs.org

Phone: +86 21 2023 8316

ISU Secretariat

Patricia Mayor

E-mail: entries@isu.ch

Mrs. Marie Lundmark

ISU Council member

E-mail: lundmark.marie@gmail.com

All Teams must return the "Program Content Sheet" together with the entry forms to the Organizing Committee. It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting officials.

5. Officials

5.1 Judges

Each invited participating ISU Members may nominate one (1) Judge. A second Judge can only be entered, if the Member has entries in one Figure Skating discipline and in Ice Dance. It is recommended that the second Judge, if possible, has the qualification for Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance. The Host Member may nominate a judge in each discipline in which they have entries. The entered Judges must be listed on the current ISU list of Referees and Judges for 2017/18 with the qualification "International" or "ISU".

5.2 ISU Appointed Officials

The Referee, Technical Controller, Technical Specialists and Data & Replay Operators will be appointed by the ISU.

5.3 Meetings for ISU Event Officials

The Initial Judges Meeting will be held on November 23, 2017 (time and place tba). The Judges' Round Table Discussion will be held on Saturday, November 25, 2017. All other official meetings for Technical Panels, Referees and Technical Controllers will be announced in the detailed schedule in due time.

6. Travel Expenses, Accommodation and Meals

6.1 Travel Expenses

All travel expenses for the participating skaters will be covered by the Organizing Committee of the ISU Shanghai Trophy (CSA) at economy rates from their home to Shanghai and return. Ticket details shall be communicated to the Organizing Committee by September 29. The flight bookings will be made by the Organizing Committee Office of the Shanghai Trophy through coordination with participants.

The ISU will cover travel expenses for the invited Referee, Technical Controller, Technical Specialists and Data & Replay Operators at economy rates from their home to Shanghai and return. The flight bookings will be made through the ISU Secretariat.

The travel for Judges will be borne by the Member.

6.2 Accommodation and Meals

The Organizing Committee will provide and cover the following expenses for the participating Skaters and one (1) Team Leader, Referee and Judges, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data & Replay Operators as follows:

- Hotel accommodation and Meals (beginning with lunch on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 and ending with breakfast on Monday, November 27, 2017)
- Access to Closing Banquet

Teams and Officials, arriving earlier or leaving later than the period as mentioned above need to cover the expenses by themselves. All other Team Officials, Coaches, Medical staff and their accompanying staff should bear their own expenses for accommodation and meals.

The cost of a room (including three meals) at the official hotel is as follows:

- Single Room (per person, per day): CNY1400
- Double Room (per person, per day): CNY1000

The above prices include three meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

Payment: Cash; in Chinese Yuan or Credit card.

All arrangements for accommodation must be made through the Organizing Committee and all fees for accommodation must be paid directly to the Organizing Committee. All other additional costs (extras) must be paid directly to the hotel.

7. Official Practices

Official Practice will begin on **Wednesday**, **November 22**, **2017** and all Team Leaders must be present in Shanghai at the latest on **Wednesday**, **November 22**, **2017** at **18.00** for the Team Leaders Meeting.

The detailed practice and competition schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

8. Music

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD or in any other approved format, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Free Skating Program for Single and Pairs, for the Free Dance Program for Ice Dance and for the Exhibition must be listed for each Competitor on the official Music Selection Form and attached to the official Entry Form for Competitors.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all covers/discs must show the Competition event, Competitor's name, the Nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (free skating, free dance) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive for each program.

If music information is not complete and/or the music is not provided, accreditation will not be given.

9. Arrival & Departures

The date, flight number, expected time of arrival and departure at Hongqiao Airport (SHA) and Pudong International Airport (PVG) should be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but not later than **November 3, 2017**.

10. Transportation

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation between Hongqiao Airport (SHA) and Pudong International Airport (PVG) and the official hotel, starting Tuesday, November 21. The Organizing Committee will also provide transportation between the official hotel and Shanghai Oriental Sports Center starting from Tuesday, November 21, 2017.

11. Official Hotel

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservations for the participants at the following official hotel:

Hua Ting Hotel & Towers 1200, North Cao Xi Road, Shanghai, China

Phone: +86 21 51517070 Fax: +86 21 62552830

Please submit hotel requirements to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but not later than **October 13**, **2017**.

12. Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, each ISU Member participating ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 is solely responsible for providing medical and accident insurance for its skaters, officials and other members. Such insurance must assure full medical coverage as well as the return to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means of the ill or injured person.

The ISU, the Chinese Skating Association and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 by Teams and Officials.

13. Anti-Doping Tests

The Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures (ISU Communication No 1922 & 2100 or any other update of this Communication).

14. Prize Money

The Organizing Committee will award prize money for the final placed skaters/couple as follows:

Figure Skating		US\$262,000		
	Ladies	Men	Ice Dance (per couple)	Pair Skating (per Pair)
1 st place	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
2 nd place	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
3 rd place	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
4 th place	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
5 th place	4,000	4,000	4,000	
6 th place	3,000	3,000		

Prize money will be transferred to the respective ISU Member by bank transfer. The withholding tax of China will be deducted. All participating skaters/couples are invited for the exhibition gala, skaters/couples must participate with an appropriate show number different from their competition programs. Failure to do so will result in a reduction from the awarded Prize Money.

15. The Organizing Committee

All entries, Hotel reservation and Media accreditation requests, as well as other inquiries should be addressed to Chinese Skating Association as soon as possible as described below:

Chinese Skating Association

Xu Yue

Email: shanghaitrophy@163.com and chnfs@chnfs.org

Phone: +86 21 2023 8316

Website: http://www.shtrophy.com/

16. VISA

Organizing Committee and Shanghai Skating Association will provide necessary support to all participants for their application of entry visa of People's Republic of China. Requirements for Chinese visa is different, depends on your nationality, please contact Chinese embassy or consulate in your country to get more information.

Please return the official Visa Request Form with passport copy to OC as soon as possible but no later than Monday, October 23, 2017, it will take around 10 working days to issue the Visa Invitation Letter.

17. EXHIBITION

All participants of the ISU Shanghai Trophy will be required to participate in the Gala Exhibition on Sunday, November 26, 2017.

Show exhibition numbers different from the competition programs are expected (see also paragraph 14). A Short Program/Short Dance or a Free Program or a part of it or a competition program in another costume or skated to a different music is not to be considered a "show number". There will be no extra exhibition fee awarded.