



TORINO 2019

**ISU GRAND PRIX OF  
FIGURE SKATING®  
FINAL**

**FIRST INFORMATION**

After hosting the Olympic Games in 2006, the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final in 2007 and the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® in 2010, the city of Torino is glad to welcome another major international figure skating event such as the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating® Final 2019/20.

It is an honor to once again invite the Skating Family to join us in our beautiful country and we hope you will have a chance to experience some of the beauty of the Host City.

## LOCATION

### THE CITY

Torino is the Capital of the Piemonte region and it sits on the banks of the longest Italian river, the Po, in the north-west of Italy, surrounded by the Alps and the Superga Hill.

The city has a rich culture and history, but it is also known for its elegant architecture, fine food and historical monuments; contended by Italy and France, it was very prominent during the Renaissance and it was proclaimed the very first Capital of the Italian Kingdom, from 1861 until 1865. Also among the leaders of the Industrial Revolution, Turin was home to Italy's first automobile industries such as Fiat and Lancia, but also of many textile and mechanical factories.

### CLIMATE

The climate is moderately continental, with cold, damp winters and hot, muggy summers. The city is located at 250 meters (800 feet) above sea level, at the foot of the Alps.

Because of its position, in summer it is not as hot as the rest of the Po valley, while in winter, it is a little less foggy.

Average Temperature in December:

Min -2° C

Max 8° C

Average Precipitation in December:

45 mm

4 Days

Discover more about Turin and its tourism attractions at this site <http://www.comune.torino.it/canaleturismo/>

## VENUE

PALAVELA

Via Ventimiglia 145,

10127 Torino – TO

Italy

Palavela, formerly known as Palazzo delle Mostre and Palazzo a Vela, is an indoor arena that is located within the city of Turin, on the bank of the River Po. It was designed by engineer Franco Levi and architects Annibale and Giorgio Rigotti. It was originally built for the Italia '61 Expo and the name comes from its distinctive roof which is in the shape of a 'Sail', 'Vela' in Italian.

It was renovated in 2002 in preparation for hosting the Figure Skating and Short Track events of the 2006 Winter Olympic Games.

The new design, by renowned Italian architect Gae Aulenti, featured two different structures, the iconic original Sail Roof and the Arena Building sitting right underneath it; it preserved its true nature while transforming it into a state-of-the-art facility capable of hosting many different kinds of events.

Arena Area: 12.400 square meters

Capacity: Approx. 8.200 seats

Size of Ice Rink: 30x60 meters

## ACCOMODATION

### HOTEL INFO

#### HOTEL CONCORD

Via Giuseppe Luigi Lagrange, 47  
10123 Torino TO, Italy  
Tel. +39 011 517 6756

Hotel Concord is the official Hotel for Skaters, Team Leaders, Team Medical.

Hotel Concord is located in a tourist-favorite area of Turin, near the most famous shopping street, via Roma, and only 10 min. by walk from Turin main square, Piazza Castello. With classic décor, rooms include a flat-screen satellite TV and a spacious, fully equipped bathroom. It is located near a gym and a convenience store.

- Shared lounge/TV area
- Air conditioning
- Smoke-free property
- Hypoallergenic room available
- Heating
- Soundproof rooms
- Safe
- Elevator
- Room service

### PRICE

Single Room: 154 Euro  
Double Room: 160 Euro

Room reservations of the ISU Skating Family into the Concord Hotel must be made through the ISU Online Registration System (ORS).

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## STARHOTEL MAJESTIC

Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 54,  
10123 Torino TO, Italy  
Tel. +39 011 539153

Starhotel Majestic is the official Hotel for ISU Officials & ISU Office Holders, Member Presidents and Guests.

Starhotels Majestic is located just 100 meters from Torino Porta Nuova Station. It offers a restaurant with a stained-glass roof, a 24-hour gym, modern rooms with a satellite TV and pillow menus. An American buffet breakfast is provided daily at the hotel. 'Le Regine' Restaurant by Eataly serves both Piemonte typical and international cuisine, while 'Il Circolo' bar serves snacks and evening aperitifs.

It is located near the main shopping street, via Roma.

- Concierge
- Baggage storage
- 24-hour front desk
- Free Wifi
- Fax/Photocopying
- Business center
- Meeting/Banquet facilities
- Special diet meals (on request)
- Snack bar
- Breakfast in the room
- Restaurant

### PRICE

Double Room:	250 Euro
Single Room:	220 Euro
Double Room Jr Suite:	286 Euro
Single Room Jr Suite	262 Euro
Suite:	330 Euro

Room reservations of the ISU Skating Family into the Starhotel Majestic must be made through the ISU Online Registration System (ORS).

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BEST WESTERN HOTEL GENIO  
Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 47,  
10125 Torino TO, Italy  
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Best Western Hotel Genio is the official Hotel for Coaches, Team Officials.

Best Western Hotel Genio is a 19<sup>th</sup> Century building with air-conditioned rooms, on Turin's central Corso Vittorio Emanuele. Porta Nuova train station is only 100 m away. Guests have free access to the hotel's fitness center. A wellness corner with hot tub and sauna is also available. It is located near the main shopping street, via Roma and a convenience store is available near-by.

- Spa lounge/Relaxation area
- Hot tub/Jacuzzi
- Fitness center
- Sauna
- Fax/Photocopying
- Business center
- Meeting/Banquet facilities
- Air conditioning
- Heating
- Soundproof rooms
- Safe
- Elevator

#### PRICE

Single Room: 150 Euro

Double Room: 163 Euro

Room reservations of the ISU Skating Family into the Best Western Hotel Genio must be made through the ISU Online Registration System (ORS).

For further information please contact:

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All Hotels are located less than 100 m. away from each other and the Shuttle Bus Station. They are also close to the Porta Nuova train station.



#### GENERAL ACCOMODATION INFORMATION

All reservations must be made through the Organizing Committee via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS). Individual reservations by Team Members at the Official Hotels will not be accepted.

#### ROOM COSTS

The Organizing ISU Member will pay accommodation and meal expenses for all Skaters, Referees, Technical Specialists, Technical Controllers, Judges and Data & Replay Operators from dinner on the day preceding the first official practice through breakfast on the day after the Exhibition, in accordance with the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Announcement 2019-20, item 9.11.

As a general rule, skaters of the same gender from the same federation will share rooms with two beds. Should skaters choose to stay in single rooms (subject to availability) the member federation will have to pay the charges for the extra room(s).

#### RESERVATION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

The Organizing Committee will get in touch with ISU Member Federations after the conclusion of the last ISU Junior Grand Prix Event, to start planning travel arrangements and accommodations.

The OC will send an invoice of the total due by each ISU Member Federation after the conclusion of the last ISU Grand Prix Event confirming the room costs not covered by the OC.

Payment must be done through Bank Transfer before the arrival date, not later than Friday November 29<sup>th</sup> 2019, to the following Bank Account:

Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio  
C/C IBAN: IT19 W010 0501 6010 0000 0003 903  
Bic/Swift: BNLIITRRXXX  
BANCA NAZIONALE DEL LAVORO SPA AGENZIA DI CITTA' N. 1

If ISU Members prefer to pay upon check in, it will only be available by Credit Cards and it must be requested in advance to the OC at [accomodation@torino2019.com](mailto:accomodation@torino2019.com)

NO CASH will be accepted upon check in.

Note: Any cancellation fee the Organizing Committee has to pay to the hotel for rooms cancelled after November 29<sup>th</sup>, even for rooms that the OC should be required to pay for, will be invoiced to the respective ISU Member. No refunds will be made.

#### MEDIA AND CHAPERONES ACCOMODATION

Media and Chaperones may click on the link below to book their accommodation in the Official Media and Chaperone hotels at a fixed rate; all prices and details can be found on the website.

Italian:

<https://booking.incomingexperience.it/?PRTNR=c0qyjimjm1b0k5rvk8g6wury143mqyo&NL=Ita&EVNT=641>

English:

<https://booking.incomingexperience.it/?PRTNR=c0qyjimjm1b0k5rvk8g6wury143mqyo&NL=Eng&EVNT=641>

#### ACCOMPANYING PERSON

Team members whose accommodation is not covered by the Organizing Committee who share a room with a team member whose accommodation is paid by the OC will be charged 50% of the room rate.

#### EXTRA SERVICES. INCIDENTALS AND DAMAGES

A credit card will be required upon check-in to cover incidentals as well as a security deposit. Incidental services such as external telephone, pay TV, room service, mini-bar or laundry will be blocked for all Team Members (including Athletes) if a personal credit card is not presented at the hotel front desk upon check-in. Payment for incidental services is the guest's responsibility and should be settled directly with the hotel at check-out. Each ISU Member is responsible for all unpaid incidentals and damages.

#### MEAL SERVICES AT THE OFFICIAL HOTELS

Accredited Competitors, ISU Event Officials and Judges entitled to complimentary meal service provided by the Organizing Committee will receive meal vouchers.

Dining Room Location:

Hotel Concord	First Floor
Starhotel Majestic	Ground Floor

Meal Price at Concord and Stahotel Majestic:

Lunch: 65 €

Dinner: 65 €

A limited number of meal and drink tickets will be available for purchase onsite only in the Organizing Committee Office located at Concord hotel 1<sup>st</sup> floor (room Po), for accredited persons (except media) who are not entitled to complimentary meal vouchers. If meal vouchers or tickets are lost, new tickets must be purchased at the user's own expense.

Dining Times:

Breakfast: 06:00 – 10:30 (Hot dishes available from 6:30 at Hotel Concord)

Lunch: 11:30 – 15:00

Dinner: 17:30 – 22:30

Late Dinner: 22:30 – 00:30 (on competition days)

There will be no dinner in the Dining Room on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, since the Closing Banquet will take place.



## BANQUET

Special invitations for the Closing Banquet will be issued at registration and should then be exchanged for tickets by Thursday December 5th in the OC Office (Hotel Concord, Po Room). A limited number of Closing Banquet tickets will be available for purchase only until Thursday December 5th in the OC Office, for those who are not entitled to a complimentary ticket, as well as Chaperones of the Competitors. If Closing Banquet invitations or tickets are lost, new tickets must be purchased at the user's own expense.

## ACCREDITATION

Accreditations for all ISU Event Officials, ISU Office Holders, ISU Guests, Judges and confirmed team delegation members will be given at the athletes Hotel Concord on Monday and Tuesday in the 'Stupinigi' Room, on the first floor. One accreditation point will be available for late arrivals in room 'Po' from Wednesday and throughout the week. Accreditations will also be available at Palavela from Wednesday on with exact hours to be confirmed.

You will be required to present a valid passport (and clearance certificate, if applicable) prior to receiving accreditation. Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport.

Forgotten, lost or stolen accreditation cards must be reported immediately and can only be replaced for a cash fee of Euro 150. The replacement is upon approval of the ISU and the OC.

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

### ARRIVAL

The OC will provide transportation from the **international Turin Airport Caselle (TRN)** to the official Hotel starting on Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.

Torino Porta Nuova Station is located less than 200 m. from the Official Hotels, should any team member decide to arrive by train; while this is **not** an official arriving point, dates and time of arrival should be provided to the OC. Team Members (Skaters, Team Leaders, Team Officials), Event Officials, ISU Guests, ISU Office Holders and Member Presidents will be met by the OC at their arriving Terminal and directed to their transportation. Please provide the OC with the appropriate travel details in ORS. Once you have claimed your baggage please look for an OC Representative.

Transportation will also be made available for Coaches, Chaperones and Medical Staff if they are travelling with the Team and have provided all travel details in the ORS. If Coaches, Chaperones and Medical Staff are not travelling with the Team and request transportation, they will be charged € 65.

Should any guest's arrival be delayed for any reason, they are asked to inform the OC as soon as possible with the expected arrival time so that transportation arrangements can be modified. You may do so by contacting the Transportation Office. Please inform the OC of any changes to your travel plans or for any inquiries about transportation at any time, email [transportation@torino2019.com](mailto:transportation@torino2019.com) or call +39 346 4751744.

### DEPARTURE

Transportation at the conclusion of the event for Team Members entitled to complimentary departure transportation to the airport will be managed by scheduled departure shuttles. Each entitled Team Member scheduled departure time will be available no later than 1 day prior to departure on the transportation desk at the Hotel Concord and on the ISU Event app. No changes in departure times will be allowed unless approved by the Organizing Committee. Team members who are not entitled to complimentary transportation may contact the Transportation Office to enquire about the possibility to arrange it at a 65 Euro fee.

## EVENT SHUTTLES

There will be one shuttle bus line between the Hotels and the Palavela Venue, with a single pick-up point for all three Hotels (less than 100 m. distance from each other). An accreditation card or bus permit must be presented before boarding the shuttle bus. The Organizing Committee will place an Event information and Transportation desk in the ground floor lobby of the hotels with the latest information on transportation and all other event information.

## TRAVEL EXPENSES

The OC is responsible for covering travel expenses for the return air-fare (economy airfare only) to Turin for all Competitors qualified for the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating® Final 2019/20 and ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final 2019/20 as well as judges from the country of the ISU Member they represent. Please note that travel expenses will only be provided for a simple return fare from one origin point to Turin and back to the same origin point. No airfares for open jaw or two one-way tickets will be covered by the organizer.

The OC will contact the respective ISU Members after the last ISU Junior Grand Prix event and after the last ISU Grand Prix event in order to make the flight arrangements. The tickets will be acquired by the respective ISU Member and the OC will reimburse the cost of the ticket after the receipt of an invoice. The approval of the airfare from the OC is required before issuing any flight ticket. The OC might agree to pay for one extra night at the official Hotel should it be overall more convenient for an individual to postpone his return flight by one day.

## VISA

Citizens from all countries will need a valid travel ID (passport or Schengen travel ID) and in some cases a visa to enter Italy. Please verify with the Embassy or Consulate of Italy in your country whether you need a Visa.

You are encouraged to acquire information about obtaining a visa to enter Italy early in order to obtain it in time, especially late entries for Senior participants.

You may find useful information about the specific requirements of your country at this website:

<http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

Please contact Ms. Alessandra Rotondi at [figura@figs.it](mailto:figura@figs.it), as soon as possible for a letter of Visa Invitation if needed.

## CHAPERONES

Chaperones (a maximum of one per Skater) will not be accredited, but will receive a bus pass for the main delegation bus line and a practice ticket to be able to attend all practices in the main arena. Chaperones may pick up bus passes and practice tickets at the Organizing Committee Office located at the Hotel Concord. Photo ID will be required.

Each Chaperone must purchase either an individual or an all-event ticket at full face value to see the competitions either from the ticket office located in Palavela, or from the Event Website [www.torino2019.com](http://www.torino2019.com)

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday December 4 <sup>th</sup>	ALL DAY	OFFICIAL PRACTICES	
Thursday, December 5 <sup>th</sup>	15:30	JUNIOR MEN	SHORT PROGRAM
	16:35	JUNIOR PAIRS	SHORT PROGRAM
	17:50	JUNIOR LADIES	SHORT PROGRAM
	19:00	OPENING CEREMONY	
	19:50	SENIOR PAIRS	SHORT PROGRAM
	21:10	SENIOR MEN	SHORT PROGRAM
Friday, December 6 <sup>th</sup>	15:00	JUNIOR ICE DANCE	RHYTHM DANCE
	16:20	JUNIOR LADIES	FREE SKATING
	18:30	SENIOR ICE DANCE	RHYTHM DANCE
	19:50	SENIOR LADIES	SHORT PROGRAM
	20:55	SENIOR PAIRS	FREE SKATING
Saturday, December 7 <sup>th</sup> .	13:00	SENIOR MEN	FREE SKATING
	14:20	JUNIOR PAIRS	FREE SKATING
	15:45	JUNIOR MEN	FREE SKATING
	18:00	JUNIOR ICE DANCE	FREE DANCE
	19:25	SENIOR ICE DANCE	FREE DANCE
	20:55	SENIOR LADIES	FREE SKATING
Sunday, December 8 <sup>th</sup>	14:00	EXHIBITION	

## SUMMARY OF DEADLINES

JUNIOR ENTRIES CONFIRMATION	Friday, November 1, 2019 – 20:00 CET
SENIOR ENTRIES CONFIRMATION	Thursday, November 28, 2019– 20:00 CET
JUDGES CONFIRMATION	Thursday, November 28, 2019– 20:00 CET
TEAM MEMBERS CONFIRMATION	Thursday, November 28, 2019– 20:00 CET
HOTEL REQUEST	Thursday, November 28, 2019
ACCOMODATION PAYMENT	Friday, November 29, 2019
TEAM TRAVEL INFORMATION	Thursday, November 28, 2019
VISA REQUEST FORM	As soon as possible

## USEFUL INFO

### CREDIT CARDS

All major credit cards are accepted in Italy. Most hotels, shops, restaurants and taxi accept VISA and Master Card. American Express, Diners Club may not be accepted in all places.

### TAXES

Taxes are included in the price presented to customers/guests in shops, hotels, restaurants, etc. As of July, 2017, the general sales tax (VAT) is 22%.

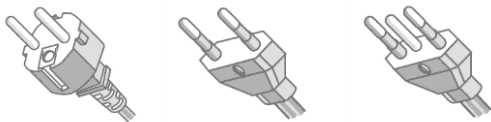
### TIPPING

While tipping is not mandatory in Italy, it is customary in many circumstances for good service, especially in sit down restaurants, which offer table service.

### ELECTRICITY

Electricity in Italy conforms to the European standard of 220V to 230V, with a frequency of 50Hz. Wall outlets typically accommodate plugs with two or three round pins (the latter grounded, the former not).

The following plugs are used:



### EXCHANGE RATE

As of July 2019, 1EUR = 1.12 USD (subject to change)