



February 9 – 14, 2021
Sydney, Australia

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INFORMATION



Ice Skating Australia would like to welcome skaters, officials, judges and guests from all ISU members to the beautiful city of Sydney, site of the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships® 2021.



In this document, you will find information about Sydney, the venue, hotels and other useful information to help you prepare your stay at the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships® 2021.

We hope you find this information helpful. Please email any questions you may have, and we will do our best to answer them.

Introduction to Sydney

The Aboriginal people are acknowledged as the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and we recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.



History of Sydney

Sydney was founded in 1788 when the first fleet arrived in Australia from England. On 13 May 1787, a fleet of 11 ships set sail from Portsmouth, England. Sydney was named after Thomas Townshend - Lord Sydney (1733-1800). He became British Secretary of State in 1783 and recommended the British establish a colony in Australia.

Location

Sydney is located on the east coast of Australia. It has a beautiful harbour, world class beaches, the iconic Harbour Bridge and the spectacular Opera House, together with many other tourist attractions.



Port Jackson, consisting of the waters of Sydney Harbour, [Middle Harbour](#), North Harbour and the [Lane Cove](#) and [Parramatta](#) Rivers, is the [ria](#) or [natural harbour](#) of [Sydney](#), [New South Wales](#), [Australia](#). The harbour is an inlet of the [Tasman Sea](#) (part of the [South Pacific Ocean](#)). It is the

location of the [Sydney Opera House](#) and [Sydney Harbour Bridge](#). The location of the [first European settlement and colony](#) on the Australian mainland, Port Jackson has continued to play a key role in the history and development of Sydney.

Many recreational events are based on or around the harbour itself particularly the [Sydney New Year's Eve](#) celebrations and the starting point of the [Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race](#).



Tourism in Sydney

Visit the tourism website at <https://www.sydney.com/>

Climate of Sydney

Sydney has a mild climate compared to other parts of Australia; however, February is the peak of summer and temperatures can be around >30 degrees Celsius.





Sydney is spectacular all year round, but there's something pretty special about **Summer** in the Harbour City. Soak up the sun on golden sand beaches, swim lazy laps in an ocean pool and explore the Harbour on a stand-up paddle board. When it's time to refuel, head for a stylish rooftop bar or waterside restaurant.

Population of Sydney

Sydney is the capital city of New South Wales. Sydney is Australia's most populated city with an estimated population of over 5 million people. The metropolitan area has about 650 suburbs that sprawl about 70 km to the west, 40 km to the north, and 60 to the south. People move in and out of Sydney every year, but the number of newcomers usually exceeds that of people who leave.



Main Arena

The Quay Centre

**Olympic Boulevard
Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127**

The Quay Centre will serve as the primary arena for the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships® 2021 and will host all competitions and some practices as well as the Opening Ceremony and Gala Exhibition. A purpose-built ice surface of 30m x 56m will be installed for the event.



The Quay Centre is a short walk down the picturesque Olympic Boulevard to the official hotels for the skating family, the Novotel and the Ibis and the media hotels and is 14 kms to the Sydney Business and Shopping precinct.

The Quay Centre is located in beautiful Sydney Olympic Park, home to the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. Sydney Olympic Park is a large sporting location with several sports, hotels, restaurants, shopping venues and parkland areas.

The Quay Centre hosted both Table Tennis and Taekwondo during the 2000 Summer Olympic Games held in Sydney.

The Quay Centre was the largest and longest-operating competition venue for the Invictus Games Sydney, which were held in October 2018 and involved almost 500 wounded warriors from 18 nations around the world. The venue hosted the sports of indoor rowing, seated volleyball, wheelchair rugby and wheelchair basketball. The Quay Centre also hosted the media compound for the event and managed the transformation of the adjoining hockey pitch into an international Archery range. It has been recognised for its outstanding work hosting the 2018 Invictus Games Sydney, winning the Best Achievement in Venue Management category at the 2019 [Australian Event Awards](#).



Practice Rink

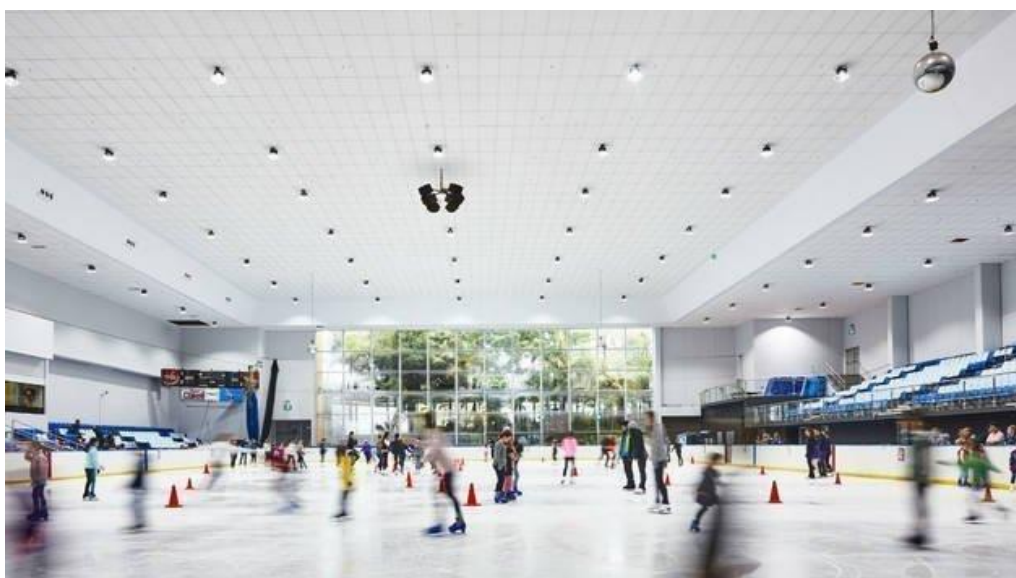
Macquarie Ice Rink

Level 1

Macquarie Shopping Centre
Cnr Herring Road & Waterloo Road,
North Ryde NSW 2113

The Macquarie Ice Rink will serve as the main practice rink for the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships® 2021 and is approximately 30 minutes from the official hotels. Shuttles will be provided to and from the practice rink and the official hotels for accredited people and chaperones with a bus pass.

Macquarie Ice Rink is an enclosed facility based in the large Macquarie Shopping Centre, Macquarie Park which accommodates 300 stores, restaurants, Gym and Cinemas over its four floors.



Transportation

Arrivals & Departures



The main point of arrival is Kingsford Smith International Airport (SYD). An Information Desk with the sign of ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships® 2021 can be found in front of the arrival gates on the ground floor of the airport.

The Organizing Committee Transport team will meet you at the airport and arrange transportation for you and/or your team to the official hotel. Official transportation commences on Monday, February 8th, 2020.

For transportation on the day of your departure it is strongly recommended that assigned departure times / busses as given by the OC need to be strictly observed by teams and officials. It will take approximately 40 minutes from the Sydney International airport to the official hotels.

Australian Customs

Australia has very strict custom rules on food and plant items in order to protect our unique fauna and flora. You must declare for inspection all food, plant material and animal products on arrival in Australia to ensure they are free of pests and diseases.

Please <https://www.agriculture.gov.au/travelling/to-australia>

Event Shuttle Bus Service

A shuttle bus service from the Novotel and Ibis Hotels to the Macquarie Ice Rink (Practice Rink) will be provided to all accredited people and chaperones (TBC) who hold a Bus Pass.

The Shuttle service will run on a 30-minute interval. The first bus to arrive one hour prior to the first practice session at the rink.

Accreditation

Upon arrival all event participants taking part in the Championships are requested to register officially at the accreditation centre.

All Competitors and Judges will be required to present their passport (and Clearance Certificate if the passport is not of the same country as the Member entering the Skater and/or the Skater having previously represented another Member) prior to receiving accreditation. Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport.

Chaperones (TBC) will be issued a Bus Pass which will allow access to the event shuttle service and the practice sessions at the Quay Centre and the practice rink, but not the competition events at the Quay Centre. Chaperones that want to attend the competition events should purchase tickets.

ISU Skating Family

Location: Parklands Room, Ground Floor, Novotel Hotel
Period of Operation: Monday, February 8, 2021 until Wednesday, February 10, 2021. (hours to be published at a later date)

Media, Press, TV, Volunteers and late arriving team members and guests

Location: Level 2, Quay Centre
Period of Operation: Friday, February 5, 2021 (from 12:00) until Sunday, February 14, 2021. (hours to be published at a later date)



Official Hotels

The official hotels are located at Sydney Olympic Park. The Novotel and Ibis Hotels, Sydney Olympic Park have been merged into one property with all amenities, services, restaurants and facilities combined to offer all hotel guests the Novotel experience.



Novotel Hotel

The Novotel will host the following groups:

- ISU and guests
- ISU Event Teams
- IMG and Staff
- IMG Sponsors
- Technical Officials and Judges
- Result Service Provider Team
- Federation Presidents
- Team Officials
- Assistant Team Leaders

Location:

11a Olympic Boulevard
Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127
Australia

Tel: +61 2 8762 1111
Fax: +61 2 8762 1263
Website: <https://www.novotelsydneyolympicpark.com.au>

Virtual Tour: <https://www.novotelsydneyolympicpark.com.au/virtual-tour-en.html>

Room Rate:

Suite: \$375.00 AUD (Single person)
Double Room: \$275.00 AUD (Single person)

*Room rate is per night and includes Breakfast for one person only.
Add \$25.00 AUD per night for second person.*

Hotel Features

- 40-minute drive to the airport or Sydney city district
 - Public transport by both train and ferry within walking distance
 - 2-minute walk to train station
 - Boulevard Brasserie & Bar
 - The Brewery Bar Kitchen
 - 24-hour concierge, reception & room service
 - Complimentary wireless internet
 - Currency exchange
 - Cash machine
 - Undercover secure parking (for a cost)
 - Laundry service
 - Wireless hotspot in lobby
 - MAC corner for computer & Internet use
 - 100% non-smoking hotel
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Ibis Hotel

The Ibis will host the following groups:

- LOC
- Athletes
- Coaches
- Team Leaders
- Team Medical

Location:

11b Olympic Boulevard
Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127
Australia

Tel: +61 2 8762 1100

Fax: +61 2 8762 1263

Website: <https://www.novotelsydneyolympicpark.com.au/en/accommodation/ibis.html>

Room Rate:

Double Room: (Single person) \$195.00 AUD

Room rate is per night and includes Breakfast for one person only.
Add \$25.00 AUD per night for second person

Twin Share Room: (Two people) \$220.00 AUD

Room rate is per night and includes Breakfast for two people

Hotel Features:

- Shared facilities with adjacent Novotel Sydney Olympic Park
 - 2-minute walk to train station, 25-minute drive airport or CBD
 - Big screen sport and live music at the brewery bar & kitchen
 - Relaxed dining at Boulevard Brasserie & Bar
 - Complimentary Wi-Fi
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Room Allocation

In general, competitors of the same gender from the same federation will share rooms with two beds. Should competitors choose to stay in single rooms, subject to availability, the member federation will pay 50% of the charges for the extra room/s.

Extra Services, Incidentals and Damages

Each person (including competitors and judges) or the Team Leader for his/her Team will require a valid credit card or cash deposit at time of check-in to the hotel as a security deposit. Payment for incidental services is the guest's responsibility and should be settled directly with the hotel at check-out. Each member federation is responsible for all unpaid incidentals and damages.

Terms of Reservation & Pre-Payment

All requests for reservations must be made to the Organizing Committee by **1st October 2020** at latest through the ORS.

The reservation will be confirmed directly through the Organizing Committee. At the same time, the Organizing Committee will inform about the payment procedure.

A pre-payment of 50% must be paid by the participating members by **30th October 2020**.

Changes and cancellations shall be made in ORS and to the Organizing Committee if these happen after the deadline.

Payments	DUE DATE
Deadline for 50% deposit for hotel reservations from Federation	On-line by bank transfer or Credit Card 30.10.2020
Refund of 100% hotel deposit for cancellations up to (and including)	29.12.2020
Refund of 50% hotel deposit for cancellation (and including)	30.12.2020 - 19.01.2021
No refund for cancellations from (and including)	20.01.2021
Federation to pay balance of hotel payment latest at	On-line by bank transfer or Credit Card by the registration date

Functions

Meal Service

Accredited people entitled to complimentary meal service provided by the Organising Committee will receive access to the dining room by scanning their pass on their accreditation tag.

The dining service is valid from dinner on Monday, February 8th to lunch on Monday, February 15th, 2021.

Breakfast is included in the room rate and will be available in the hotel restaurant from the first nights' check-in.

Dining Times:

- Breakfast: 06:00 am – 10:00 am
- Lunch: 11:30 am – 14:30 pm
- Dinner: 17:30 pm – 22:00 pm
- Late Dinner: 22:00 pm – 00:30 midnight (Competition days only)

Lunch on Monday, February 15th will be held in the hotel restaurant – on presentation of Accreditation Tag.

Meal Tickets:

Accredited persons not entitled to complimentary meals may purchase meal tickets. The purchase of meal ticket will be available from the main accreditation centre located at the Novotel /Ibis Hotel.

Lunch:	\$35 AUD
Dinner:	\$50 AUD

Closing Banquet (TBC)

A limited number of Closing Banquet tickets will be available to purchase from the main accreditation centre located at the Novotel /Ibis Hotel on a first come, first serve basis for accredited persons whom are not entitled to a complimentary ticket to the Closing Banquet.

Banquet Ticket prices will be published at a later date.

Hotels for Chaperones (TBC) and Media

Please note, that due to Covid-19 the Chaperone function is subject to discussion and may not apply for the ISU Four Continent Figure Skating Championships® 2021.

Pullman Hotel

Location:

Olympic Boulevard
 Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127
 Australia
 Tel: +61 2 8762 1100
 Fax: +61 2 87621263
 Website: www.pullmansydneyolympicpark.com.au

Room Rate:

Single share with breakfast \$285.00 AUD
Room rate is per night

Hotel Facilities:

- Online check-in
- WIFI/Internet Access
- Parking
- Accessibility for people with reduced mobility
- 100% non-smoking hotel
- Air conditioned
- Reception open 24 hours a day
- Early check-in/Late check-out
- Dry cleaning / Ironing (Nearby)
- Complimentary WIFI
- Guest rooms provide stunning panoramic views
- Bacar Restaurant features an extensive and enticing wine list
- 24-hour fit lounge
- 2-minute walk to train station; 25-minute drive to CBD and airport.

Quest Apartments

Location:

11 6 Edwin Flack Drive
 Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127
 Australia
 Tel: +61 2 9033 2000
 Website: www.questatsydneyolympicpark.com.au

Room Rate:

Studio Apartment:	\$205 AUD
One Bedroom Apartment:	\$255 AUD
Two Bedroom Apartment:	\$345 AUD
Three Bedroom Apartment:	\$545 AUD

Confirmation of rates TBC. *Room rate is per night and includes buffet breakfast.*

Apartment Facilities:

- Separate living and dining areas (excluding Studios)
- Fully equipped kitchens and laundry facilities
- Kitchenettes in Studios
- Apartment controlled air conditioning
- High speed broadband internet access
- Some apartments feature a private balcony
- Multi-unit charging stations
- Work Desk
- Wi-Fi internet access

Property Facilities:

- Gymnasium
 - Conference facilities
 - Wheelchair access
 - On-site secure car parking
 - After-hours onsite manager
 - Restaurant chargeback
 - Pantry shopping
 - Housekeeping service Monday-Saturday (excluding public holidays)
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Ibis Budget

Location:

8 Edwin Flack Drive
Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127
Australia
Tel: +61 2 9648 3862
Fax: +61 2 9648 0427

Room Rates:

Twin Share Room:	Max 2 people - Queen/King/Twin room	\$129 AUD
3 person Share Room:	Queen and Single Bunk bed	\$139 AUD
Family Room:	Maximum 4 people per room	\$149 AUD

Buffet Continental Breakfast \$9 AUD

Hotel Facilities:

- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Smart TV with USB and HDMI access
- Laundry facilities onsite
- 5-minute walk to train station

Useful Information

Business Hours

Business	Weekdays	Saturdays	Sundays and National Holidays
Banks	10.00 – 16.00	Closed	Closed
Government Offices & Organizations	09.00 – 16.00 Check on-line	Closed	Closed
Department Stores	09.00 – 17.00	09.00 -17.00	10.30 – 16.00
Foreign Diplomatic	Check online	Closed	Closed

Money & Currency

The Currency in Sydney is AUD\$.

Denominations are as follows:

Coins: 5c / 10c / 20c / 50c / \$1.00 / \$2.00
Notes: \$5 / \$10 / \$20 / \$50 / \$100

Banking & ATM

Cards with the Plus and Cirrus logos are the easiest to use and most widely accepted in Sydney. Banks as well as other sites have ATMs (automatic teller machines), where customers can make withdrawals, deposits, and fund transfers.

Electricity & Voltage

Australian Mains Plug

The domestic **mains** power supply in **Australia** is 230V AC, 50Hz.
(Acceptable voltage is 220v – 240v)

Standard 3-pin earthed power outlets are rated at 10Amps and are usually switched.
The 3-flat-pin **plug** is used in all States of **Australia** (including its external territories).
In Australia the power plugs and sockets are of type I.



Event Schedule



Date	Time	Event
Tuesday, February 9	All day	Official Practice
	15:15	LADIES – Technical Panel Meeting
	16:00	Team Leaders Meeting
	17:30	Medical Meeting
	19:00	MEN – Technical Panel Meeting
Wednesday, February 10	All day	Official Practice
	09:00	Referee & Technical Controllers Meeting
	10:00	LADIES – Initial Judges Meeting
	11:15	PAIRS – Technical Panel Meeting
	16:45	ICE DANCE – Technical Panel Meeting
	17:00	MEN – Initial Judges Meeting
	20:00	ISU and Judges Dinner (TBC)
Thursday, February 11	09:00	ICE DANCE – Initial Judges Meeting
	11:15	PAIRS – Initial Judges Meeting
	13:15	Opening Ceremony on Ice
	14:10	LADIES – Short Program
	18:45	MEN – Short Program
Friday, February 12	12:45	ICE DANCE – Rhythm Dance
	16:00	PAIRS – Short Program
	19:00	LADIES – Free Skating
Saturday, February 13	08:00	LADIES – Technical Panel Review Meeting
	09:15	LADIES - Judges Round Table Discussion
	15:00	PAIRS – Free Skating
	19:00	MEN – Free Skating
	19:00	PAIRS – Technical Panel Review Meeting
Sunday, February 14	08:30	PAIRS – Judges Round Table Discussion
	09:15	MEN – Technical Panel Review Meeting
	10:30	MEN – Judges Round Table Discussion
	12:30	ICE DANCE – Free Dance
	16:00	ICE DANCE – Technical Panel Review Meeting
	17:30	EXHIBITION
	18:00	ICE DANCE – Judges Round Table Discussion
	21:00	Closing Banquet (TBC)

Please note: This schedule is subject to change

Summary of Deadlines



SUMMARY OF DEADLINES	DEADLINE	to be submitted via	
		Online Registration System	Form
Preliminary Entry Form	01.10.2020	X	
Hotel Request Form Team Leaders, Competitors, Judges	01.10.2020	X	
Hotel Request Form Team Officials, Coaches, Others	01.10.2020	X	
Entry by Name for Competitors	19.01.2021	X	
Entry by Name for Judges	19.01.2021	X	
Entry by Name Delegation Members	19.01.2021	X	
Hotel Reservation	19.01.2021	X	
Travel Details	19.01.2021	X	
Bank Transfer	19.01.2021	X	
Press Information	19.01.2021	X (through ISU Portal)	
Competition Music Information	19.01.2021	X (through ISU Portal)	
Ice Dance Music Information	19.01.2021	X (through ISU Portal)	
Planned Program Content	19.01.2021	X (through ISU Portal)	
Skater Health Care Form	19.01.2021	X (through ISU Portal)	
Visa Application Request	a.s.a.p.		X (Form 2)

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During the current Covid-19 pandemic the health and safety of all participants at ISU Events including the athletes, team members, officials, volunteers, service providers, broadcasters, media, and spectators needs to be given additional attention.

The ISU has published special guidelines for ISU Events, which can be found in the General and Figure Skating Sport specific documents ([here](#)).

These ISU Guidelines describe the **minimum** sanitary measures that must be put in place to host an ISU Event during the COVID-19 pandemic.

These Guidelines do not, in any case, supersede additional requirements established by the National or Local Public Health Authorities of the hosting country which must be implemented in full.

Contact Information:

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