



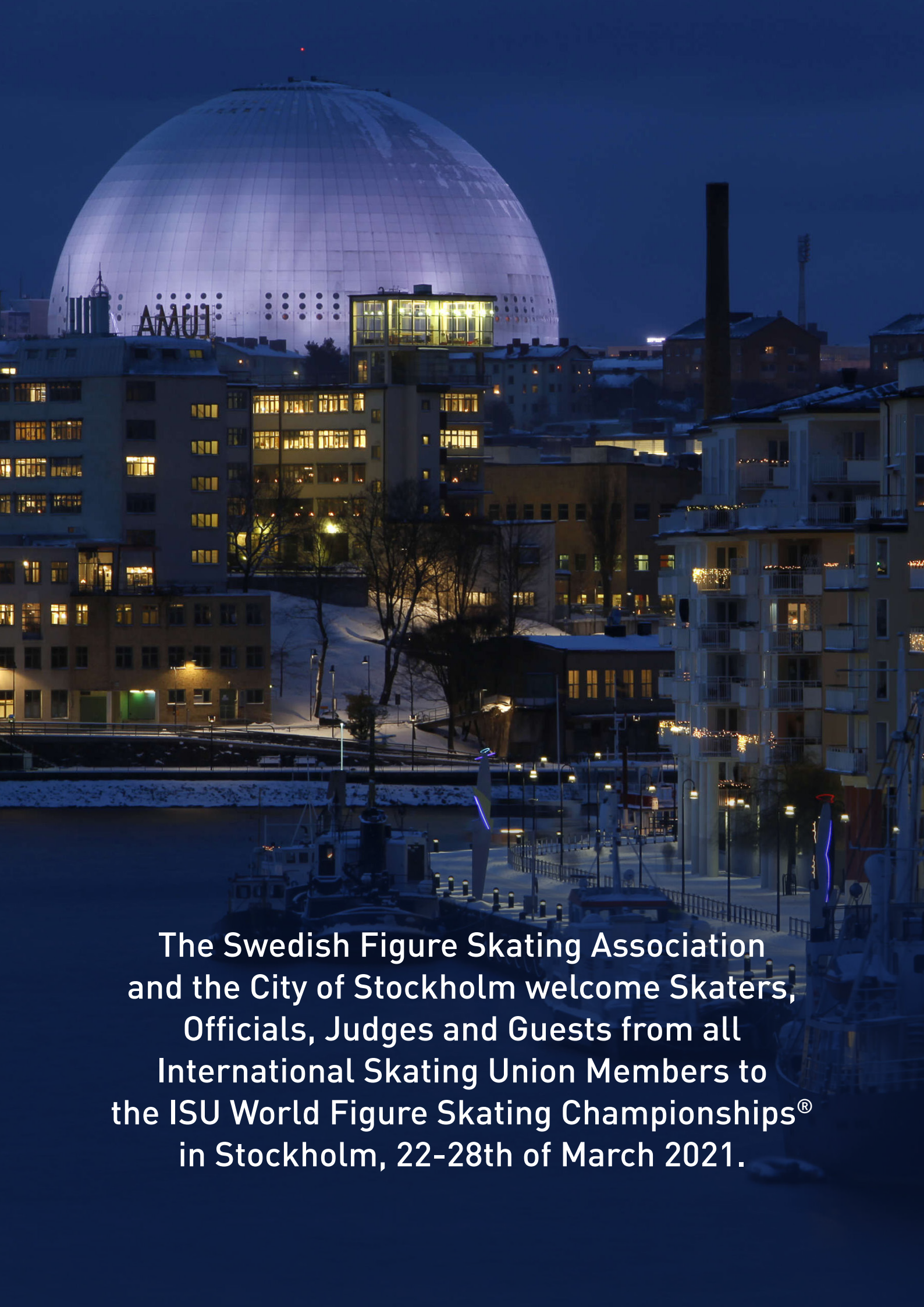
STOCKHOLM

2021 WORLD FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS®

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The Swedish Figure Skating Association
and the City of Stockholm welcome Skaters,
Officials, Judges and Guests from all
International Skating Union Members to
the ISU World Figure Skating Championships®
in Stockholm, 22-28th of March 2021.

LOCATION



Stockholm is widely regarded as one of the world's most beautiful cities. But that's not all. Stockholm is a city with substance and punch. A city packed with history, culture and nautical landscapes. Stockholm is also a modern hub for talent and creative industries. But most of all- a city open to everyone.

The first words to come out of most first-time Stockholm visitors are "this place is so beautiful." Wandering across the 14 islands that form the city, there are countless breathtaking nooks, crannies, and sights to explore.

Stockholm is known for its beauty, its buildings and architecture, its abundant clean and open water, and its many parks.

The Archipelago

The world famous Stockholm Archipelago is made up of over 30 '000 islands, from small to large, some buzzing with activity, others barely large enough to peak out from the crystal clear waters of the Baltic Sea. The Archipelago can be easily reached by boat from Stockholm city and day trips run regularly all year round. stockholmarchipelago.se

The Climate

End of March in Stockholm is considered early springtime and the temperature is between +1°C average low and +6°C average high.

Time Zone

Central European Time (CET) is 1 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). Daylight Saving Time is practiced and the switch to summer time is done on the night to the last Sunday in March.



Map of Stockholm

THE VENUE

Each year Stockholm Globe Arenas provide 2 million visitors with more than 300 world class events in sport, music and entertainment. Our four arenas – Ericsson Globe, Hovet, Annexet, Tele2 Arena and the tourist attraction SkyView – form the largest sport and entertainment district in Scandinavia.

Main arena

Ericsson Globe opened 1989 and is still the world's largest spherical building. Its unique shape has become a symbol for Stockholm and Sweden. People from all over the world come to look at this curious architecture with its clever construction solutions. It is known for its outstanding flexibility and since the opening it has hosted almost all types of major events, for example the IIHF Men's Ice Hockey World Championship in 1989, 2012 and 2013, Eurovision Song Contest in 2000 and 2016, the ISU European Figure Skating Championships® 2015 and the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships® 2018. With a seating capacity of 13850 Ericsson Globe is one of the largest arenas for ice hockey in northern Europe. The rink size is 30 x 60 m.

Practice rinks

In direct conjunction and with convenient indoor access from Ericsson Globe we have two practice rinks – Annexet and Hovet.

Annexet

Originally built as a permanent practice rink but is normally used for smaller events such as concerts and fairs. At the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® it will be used as practice rink for Men, Ladies and Ice Dance. The rink size is 30 x 60 m.

Hovet

Hovet is the old ice hockey arena and is currently the home arena for the Swedish national league ice hockey team of Stockholm. This will be the practice rink for Pairs. The rink size is 30 x 60 m.



ACCOMMODATION



Quality Hotel Globe

Official Hotel for Teams, Officials, ISU, OC

Quality Hotel Globe is one of Stockholm's largest hotels situated next to Ericsson Globe in Stockholm, 5 km from the city center. Quality Hotel Globe works as a high-class meeting- and accommodation spot for business travel as well as tourists from around the globe.

What makes this 11-story building unique is that it's literally attached to Sweden's largest indoor arena. Teams will have an enjoyable stay during the Championships, while also being provided a chance to experience the atmosphere of Stockholm.

There are 527 hotel rooms well equipped with air condition, bath or shower, hair dryer, TV and iron. The hotel provides a gym/fitness, a bistro and a spacious bar/lounge on the lobby floor. All meals will be served in the 7th floor Arena Restaurant which has a view into the Ericsson Globe arena. Free Wifi is offered in all areas.

The hotel has indoor access to the Ericsson Globe arena complex, is located just a few steps from Globen Shopping and Tolv Stockholm entertainment center and a 3-minute walk (500 m) from the metro.

Globen Shopping offers stores, supermarket, pharmacies, cafés, fast food and restaurants in a personable environment and a high degree of service. There are also ATMs available. Open Monday - Sunday. www.globeshopping.se

Tolv Stockholm, located under the Tele 2 arena, is a unique food and entertainment concept with 12.000 sqm of restaurants and activities such as bowling, adventure golf, billiards, shuffleboard, table-tennis, simulators and more. www.tolvstockholm.se

The hotels in Sweden are generally cash free, which means that you should bring a credit card in order to pay.

For more hotel information: nordicchoicehotels.com

Room prices, per night including breakfast buffet and local taxes:

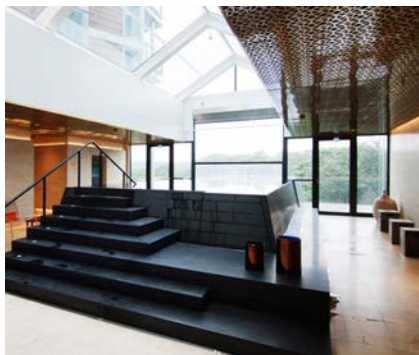
Single Room: 1 985 SEK

Double/Twin Room: 2 285 SEK

All reservations at Quality Hotel Globe must be made through the Organizing Committee. Individual reservations by Team Members at the hotel are not accepted.

Quality Hotel Globe, Arenaslingan 7, Stockholm, Sweden, Phone: +46 8 686 63 00, nordicchoicehotels.com

HOTELS FOR MEDIA AND CHAPERONES (TBC)



Clarion Hotel Stockholm

Clarion Hotel Stockholm is a sister hotel of Quality Hotel Globe. The hotel is within walking distance (15 min) from the Ericsson Globe and only two stations away by metro. Clarion Hotel Stockholm has 532 rooms in a modern and international atmosphere. The hotel is located in Södermalm, less than 10 minutes from the Central Station and the Old Town and easily reached by metro, bus or taxi. In the Södermalm district you find the genuine Stockholm, a large number of restaurants, shopping, galleries and new design.

The hotels in Sweden are generally cash free, which means that you should bring a credit card in order to pay.

Reservations:

Non-officials, media and chaperones must make their own hotel reservations. However, due to Covid-19 it is to be discussed whether Chaperones will apply to the Worlds 2021 or not.

All hotel reservations at Clarion Hotel Stockholm must be made through the Organizing Committee at accommodation@skatesweden.se

Room prices, per night including breakfast buffet and local taxes:

Single Room: 1795 SEK

Double/Twin Room: 1995 SEK

Clarion Hotel Stockholm, Ringvägen 98, Stockholm, Sweden, Phone: +46 8-462 10 00, clarionstockholm.com



Park Inn Hammarby Sjöstad

The stylish and contemporary Stockholm hotel sits in the quiet Hammarby Sjöstad district, offering easy access to the whole city. Ericsson Globe and Tele2 Arena are within three kilometers of the hotel. If you're after some fresh air, Hammarbybacken, Stockholm's city-center ski slope, is just 200 meters away. Set close to the Hammarby Sjö and Sickla canals, the Park Inn by Radisson Hammarby Sjöstad in Stockholm is well placed to let you reach many of the city's iconic sights by ferry. Head to the island of Djurgården for the world-renowned ABBA The Museum, as well as Gröna Lund, Stockholm's thrill-filled theme park. For shopping, the trendy neighborhood of Södermalm, with its vintage boutiques and bustling restaurant scene, is a free boat ride away.

Contemporary design, first class facilities

A total of 178 rooms and suites makes up the Park Inn Hammarby Sjöstad. You can relax with a coffee while watching your favorite show or soaking in the stunning view. After a day exploring the city, head to the fitness center or sauna to rejuvenate and revitalize. For food, the RBG Bar & Grill serves up everything from buffet breakfasts to à la carte dinners. Don't miss the restaurant's gourmet burgers or selection of refreshing local craft beers, best enjoyed on the beautiful outside terrace.

Room prices, per night including breakfast buffet and local taxes:

Single Room: 1550 SEK

Double/Twin Room: 1650 SEK

The above prices are obtained by using the code Worlds upon booking. Please use the link below, choose "Promotional code" and fill in the code (Worlds).

[Book here: Park Inn Hammarby Sjöstad](#)

Park Inn Hammarby Sjöstad, Midskeppsgatan 6, Stockholm, Sweden, Phone: +46 8-505 070 00, radissonhotels.com

GENERAL ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

Reservations

All reservations for Team Members and Officials must be made through the Organizing Committee (OC) via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS). Individual reservations at the Official Hotel will not be accepted. If rooms are cancelled after Tuesday, March 2nd, 2021 even if it is for rooms that the OC is required to pay for, any cancellation fees that the OC incurs will be invoiced to the Member Federation.

OC Accommodation Contact:

Sofia Borg

accommodation@skatesweden.se

Room Costs

The Organizing Committee (OC) will cover accommodation costs for skaters, Team Leaders, judges, and ISU officials, in accordance with the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021 Announcement.

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

Should any Competitor or Official arrive at the hotel before or stay later than the period covered by OC, all costs will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid latest on arrival.

Accompanying persons

A room rate of 50% is charged for accredited accompanying persons sharing a room with a Team Member covered by the Organizing Committee.

Payments and Deadlines

Based on the hotel requests, invoices will be sent to Member Federations for the room costs not covered by the OC. All bank transfer fees, and credit card costs are the responsibility of the member. The chart below describes the deadlines for payments and refunds.

	Deadline date
Deadline for 50% deposit for hotel reservations from Federation	November 16, 2020
Refund of 100% hotel deposit for cancellations up to	January 11, 2021
Refund of 50% hotel deposit for cancellations from January 12 until	March 1, 2021
No refund for cancellations after this date	March 2, 2021
Federation to pay balance of hotel payment	Latest at registration

All Team Leaders must contact OC in the registration room to confirm payment is complete.



Payments on site can only be made by credit card. Visa and Mastercard are accepted. Applicable credit card fees are charged upon payment. Cash payments are not accepted.

Cancellations at the Quality Hotel Globe

All cancellations must be submitted directly by ORS and to the OC by email at accommodation@skatesweden.se

Extra Services, Incidentals and Damages

A credit card for the security deposit is required in the hotel upon check-in. Incidental services such as external telephone, pay TV, room service, mini-bar or laundry will be blocked for all Team Members if a 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. The Team Leader is responsible for all incidentals and security deposits for the skaters. Each Member Federation is responsible for all unpaid incidentals and damages of its Team Members.

Contact Person and Room Changes

For questions or problems relating to room allocation, changes, incidental charges, damages etc., the respective Team Leader will be the contact person. Any room relocations or changes to the rooming list must be made through the Organizing Committee. No room changes will be accepted by the hotel from guests directly.

MEAL SERVICE

Skaters, Team Leaders, Judges and other ISU Officials entitled to complimentary meals service will have access to the dining room through their accreditation card for the period outlined in the official announcement. The dining room will be open beginning with dinner on Sunday, March 21, 2021 and ending with lunch on Monday, March 29, 2021. Please refer to the meal hours below.

All meals are served at the Quality Hotel Globe, Arena Restaurant, 7th floor.

QR-code Meal Voucher System will be used, which means that there will be no printed meal voucher booklets. Judges, Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data & Reply Operators and one Team Leader of each participating ISU Member will receive printed drink vouchers.

Additional meals will be available for purchase on-site only from the Organizing Committee at the time of Accreditation or outside the Dining Room. This service is available for purchase for ID card holders not covered for meals by the OC other than Media and TV.

Meal Service Prices and & Dining Room Hours

Meal Service	Dining Room Hours	Meal Prices (taxes incl.)
Breakfast	06:00 – 10:00	Included in room rate
Lunch	11:30 – 14:30	200 SEK
Dinner or	17:30 – 22:00	300 SEK
Late Dinner (Wednesday to Friday)	22:00 – 01:00	300 SEK

Please note that on Sunday, March 28 there will be a Closing Dinner and therefore no dinner served at the hotel. In case the the Closing Dinner is not held due to Covid-19 restrictions, ordinary dinner will be served at the hotel.



TRAVEL INFORMATION

VISA Application

Citizens from all countries will need a valid travel ID (passport or Schengen travel ID) and in some cases a visa to Sweden.

Please verify with the Swedish Embassy or Consulate in your country whether you need a Visa or not. You can visit the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs website to obtain more information: swedenabroad.se

Please contact the OC Office as soon as possible for a Visa Letter of Invitation if needed.

Travel to Stockholm

By Air

Stockholm-Arlanda Airport (ARN) is Sweden's largest Airport and the primary gateway to Stockholm and Sweden. Some 70 airlines serve non-stop scheduled routes to 140 destinations. Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS) has the largest number of non-stop flight connections from Stockholm to international destinations.

There are also smaller regional airports in the greater Stockholm area. Please note that the official pick up will only be at Stockholm-Arlanda Airport.

By train

There are different options to travel to Stockholm by train from Europe, most convenient via Copenhagen and the Öresund Bridge connecting Sweden and Denmark. The state-owned rail company SJ runs most long-distance routes from Copenhagen and Oslo and domestic routes in Sweden, to Stockholm. There is one main train station, Stockholm Central Station located in the city center.

Distances to the Official Hotel:

From Stockholm-Arlanda International Airport: 40-60 minutes (traffic dependent)

From the Central Station: 10-20 minutes by car (traffic dependent), 10 minutes by metro

Arrival

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation at arrival from Stockholm-Arlanda Airport and the Stockholm Central Station to the Official Hotel (Quality Hotel Globe) starting on **Saturday, March 21, 2021**.

All ISU Officials, Judges and Team Members are picked up at the official pick-up points in accordance with the submitted arrival information and necessary transportation will be organized to the Official Hotel, Quality Hotel Globe. In the case that Coaches, Team Medical Staff, Team Officials, Member Press Officer and Chaperones arrive at the same time as their teams, they will be allowed to join the same transportation at no charge.

However, individually travelling team members and chaperones, or any other persons not officially included in the team delegation, must pay the ground transportation at their own expense of 200 SEK per person.

Please provide the OC with the appropriate travel details in ORS. Once you have arrived, received your baggage and passed through Customs, look for the Worlds 2021 Representative who will direct you to the appropriate transportation. If your flight is delayed or cancelled, please inform your expected arrival time as soon as possible to the OC, by contacting the Transportation Desk at phone: +46 79 020 51 39, transportation@skatesweden.se

Individual Transportation

There are several airport transportations available for anyone who has not informed the OC of their arrival information or those arriving prior to the date indicated for the start of the airport shuttle service as described below. You can also visit the Stockholm-Arlanda International Airport (ARN) for more information about Ground Transportation. If a guest chooses one of these methods of transportation to the hotel, the OC is not responsible for the costs.

Taxi

There are many taxi companies to choose from in Stockholm. Approved taxis with metered fares always bear yellow number plates. Credit cards are readily accepted. NOTE: Taxi fares are not regulated in Sweden; they may vary greatly. It is the customer's responsibility to check fares beforehand. For trips to and from Stockholm Arlanda Airport the major taxi companies have fixed fares at approximately SEK 500. Always ask the driver beforehand. In addition to the major taxi companies there are several independent firms; caution is advised.

Airport Express Train

Arlanda Express Train is the fastest way from Stockholm-Arlanda Airport to Stockholm City. Travel time is only 20 minutes from the airport to the Central Station in Stockholm. There are two stations at Stockholm-Arlanda Airport, Arlanda Södra (south) with access to terminals 2, 3 and 4, plus Arlanda Norra (north) under terminal 5. Single ticket: 299 SEK (2020). It runs from 05:00-01:00 and every 15 minutes during daytime.

For more information: arlandaexpress.se

Airport Coaches

The airport bus "Flygbussarna" takes you from Arlanda Airport to the main City Terminal, "Cityterminalen", in downtown Stockholm in 45 minutes. Single ticket: 119 SEK (2020). They run around the clock daily and every 10-15 minutes during daytime.

For more information: flygbussarna.se

Event Shuttle

The Official Hotel, the Main arena and the Practice rinks are in the same building complex and therefore transportation will not be necessary.

Clarion Hotel Stockholm or Park Inn Hammarby Sjöstad are the recommended hotels for media and chaperones. The OC will provide limited transportation service to/from the arenas, either by shuttle bus or by free public transportation.

- Distance from Clarion Stockholm to Ericsson Globe: Approximately 1,5 km. Two stops by metro.
- Distance from Park Inn to Ericsson Globe: Approximately 2 km. A few stops by tram.

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 and times.

Public Transportation in Stockholm

Stockholm is often praised for its comfortable, efficient and safe public transportation. The metro is the easiest way to get around town. The city is divided into three zones, and zone tickets are good for several trips within the hour. A travelcard can only be purchased in advance at Metro stations, SL Centers, newsagent kiosks etc. It is not possible to pay cash for tickets on board buses in Stockholm.

You can also download their app for reduced price:

AppleStore: apps.apple.com/se/app/sl-biljetter/id918418291

GooglePlay: play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.sl.SLBiljetter

For more information: sl.se

REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION



Beautiful Djurgården and Östermalm with Strandvägen from above.

Accreditation for all ISU Event Officials, ISU Office Holders, ISU Guests, Judges and Team Members will be issued at the official hotel – The Quality Hotel Globe and for Media at the Ericsson Globe Arena.

Registration at the Quality Hotel Globe, Accreditation Room will be open from Saturday, March 20 at 15:00 until Tuesday, March 23. From Wednesday, March 24 onwards the accreditation process is carried out at the OC Office, Quality Hotel Globe. The exact hours will be communicated on-site.

No accreditation will be issued without presentation of a valid travel ID (passport or Schengen ID).

Lost Accreditation Cards

Forgotten, lost or stolen accreditation cards must be reported and can only be replaced at Accreditation/OC Office for a fee of 150 EUR. The replacement is upon approval of the ISU and the OC.

Chaperones

Please note that due to Covid-19 the Chaperone function is subject to discussion and may not apply for ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021. Chaperones (max. one per skater) will not be accredited and must purchase an event-ticket at face value to enter the Ericsson Globe to watch the competition and/or exhibition. Each chaperone will receive a chaperone permit/ticket which gives access to watch all official practices. Chaperones entered in the ORS may pick up their permits at the Organizing Committee Office at the Quality Globe Hotel. Photo id will be required. All permits are non-replaceable and should be handled with care.

CLOSING DINNER (TBC)

The Closing Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 28, 2020, at 20:00 at the Stockholm City Hall, where the great Nobel Banquet is held every year. Dress is semi-formal. Invitations for the Closing Dinner will be issued to entitled persons in accordance with the given guidelines at the time of registration. Please note that the Closing Dinner may be cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions.



Spectacular view at Riddarholmen from the City Hall tower at 106 meters up.

EVENT TICKETS

For all information regarding tickets visit our website:
stockholm2021.se

For booking go to: axs.com/figureskating

For Q&A regarding tickets: worlds2021@skatesweden.se



SUSTAINABILITY

ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021 have an active sustainability effort to strengthen the ecological, economic, social and democratic aspects. Sustainability provides quality and contributes to the whole experience of the event and should therefore be active, systematic and integrated. In order to achieve this, we need to have good leadership, be innovative and drive development in a sustainable direction. Our sustainability initiative is conducted in an ethically and legally correct manner. Laws and agreements are properly followed. The management team, employees as well as volunteers will have sufficient knowledge and tools to integrate sustainability into their daily work before, during and after the event. We strive to minimize the negative impact on the environment and people to make a positive contribution to society, stakeholders and the local economy and to provide lasting positive effects locally, regionally and nationally - also referred to as Legacy.

Ecological Aspects:

The ecological aspects are very important for a sustainable society. Our goal is to minimize the negative impact on the environment and work together with the City of Stockholm and others to make the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021 a sustainable event. Below we have listed our focus areas regarding the ecological aspects:

Facilitate and encourage climate-smart travels and transportations.

- Use of electric ice resurfacing machines.
- Use of green electricity in the main rink.
- Serve tap water and avoid bottled water as much as possible.
- Prefer use of digital information and marketing.
- Use of environmentally-friendly and recyclable materials when creating event designs; wasps, etc.
- Avoid disposable items as much as possible and reduce use of plastics
- Waste is sorted according to the City of Stockholm's local regulations for waste fractions.
- Minimizing food waste.

Economic Aspects:

The economic aspects are crucial for a sustainable development. It is important to have a healthy event that can create a long term growth. Below we have listed our focus areas regarding the economic aspects:

- Will increase employment and entrepreneurship through collaboration with local actors.
- Strengthen our brand by highlighting knowledge and education.
- Customize content to demand for a positive financial result.
- Pricing of tickets so that as many people as possible can participate.
- Have clear anti-corruption requirements to combat bribery and corruption.

Social Aspects:

Everyone is welcome to the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021. We believe that people's health is just as important as the environment to achieve a sustainable society. Below we have listed our focus areas regarding the social aspects:

- Have a good working environment and conditions for both internal and external staff.
- Will make sure that people who represent the event are well informed and consciously work for a sustainable event.
- Make sure that people treat everyone equally and work actively to combat discrimination.
- Everyone is welcome regardless of gender identity, ethnic affiliation, religion or other beliefs, disabilities, sexual orientation or age.
- Offer food that suits the majority and also ensure that there are alternatives for people in need of a special diet.

Democratic Aspects:

Sweden is a democratic country. The democratic aspects are also crucial for a sustainable society. This is in our culture and also affects everything we do as an organization. The ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021 will be built on the bases of these four aspects below:

- Freedom of speech
- Freedom of religion
- Equality
- Safety

Nordic Choice Hotels / Quality Hotel Globe:

The Official Hotel for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships® 2021 is Quality Hotel Globe - Nordic Choice Hotels. They have a sustainability work called "WeCare". They will create possibilities for people both in and out of their operations. They will run hotels so that it has the smallest environmental impact. They want to make the guests feel a little bit better when they check out than when they checked in. Nordic Choice Hotel has 6 sustainable focus areas:

1. Sweet Dreams

Since 2008, Nordic Choice Hotels has been working with UNICEF to combat human trafficking in the world and to help children who are exposed to it. The name Sweet Dreams comes from the goal that all children should be able to enjoy a safe sleep, no matter where they are or what they have been through.

2. Sustainable hotel operation

Nordic Choice Hotels want to lead the way and show that impact on the climate can be reduced even within large hotel operations. Therefore, all Nordic Choice Hotels are ISO 14001 certified. Quality Hotel Globe have a solar panel system on the roof. With a capacity of 50 kW, every year it will produce enough electricity to charge 550 Tesla cars or to bake 1.7 million cinnamon buns.

3. The food revolution

Nordic Choice Hotels does not only want to serve good dining experiences. They also want to contribute to a positive development for people and the environment. For this reason, they invest in sustainable food.

4. Diversity

Nordic Choice Hotels has 16,500 employees from 170 different countries. Everyone is welcome to Nordic Choice Hotels.

5. Local social responsibility

Nordic Choice Hotels wants to be responsible actors and good neighbors. With around 200 hotels and 16,500 employees, they have the opportunity to influence the conditions around them.

6. Ethical trade

It is not always easy to act right, which is why Nordic Choice Hotels has developed ethical guidelines for suppliers and their suppliers. These cover basic human rights, requirements for good working conditions and environmental requirements that are internationally recognized UN and ILO conventions. The guidelines ensure that production of goods and services takes place with regard to people and the environment.

Stockholm Live / Ericsson Globe:

Stockholm Live has listed their sustainability work in the main rink:

- The arena runs on 100% green electricity.
- From 2020, only digital tickets are used, saving about 300 trees per year.
- From 2020, the arena is completely plastic-free in all restaurants.
- All food waste becomes biogas equivalent to 4200 liters per year.
- The waste from the arena becomes energy that corresponds to 350 apartments' annual heat consumption.

USEFUL INFORMATION



Swedish National Day, June 6th celebration outside the Royal Palace facing the National Museum.



When in Stockholm; have a bulle! Traditional "fika" at most of the coffee shops in the city.

Sweden is one of the largest countries in Europe, with great diversity in its nature and climate. Its distinctive yellow and blue flag is one of the national emblems that reflect centuries of history between Sweden and its Nordic neighbours.

Sweden is a sparsely populated country, characterised by its long coastline, extensive forests and numerous lakes. It is one of the world's northernmost countries. In terms of surface area it is comparable to Spain, Thailand or the American state of California. Sweden's borders have been unchanged since 1905 and the country has not been at war since 1814.

Sweden has a democratic system of power built on openness and transparency where everyone has the same rights.

Sweden experiences extreme contrasts between its long summer days and equally long winter nights. In the summer, the sun stays in the sky around the clock in the parts of Sweden north of the Arctic Circle, but even as far south as Stockholm (59°N) the June nights have only a few hours of semi-darkness.

VARIOUS FACTS ABOUT SWEDEN

Population	10.3 million
National day	6th of June
Language	Swedish (virtually all Swedes speak English)
Form of government	Constitutional monarchy, with parliamentary democracy
Prime Minister	Stefan Löfvén (2020)
Capital	Stockholm
EU	Sweden has been a member since 1995
Classical Swedish dishes	Meatballs, Kroppkakor, Skagen, Jansson's Temptation and Cinnamon Buns etc.
Total area	528,447 sq km, the third largest country in the European Union, after France and Spain
Highest mountain	Kebnekaise (2099m)
Major companies such as	IKEA, Spotify, Volvo, Electrolux, H&M and Ericsson

Source: [Statistics Sweden](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Language

Swedish is the official language. Virtually all swedes speak English.

The Climate

End of March in Stockholm is considered early springtime and the temperature is between +1°C average low and +6°C average high.

Clothing

March is considered early springtime in Stockholm. Visitors and guests are advised to dress in layers to be prepared for all weather. Despite listed average temperatures, days can be warm, evenings are cool and spring showers are always possible. Most nightlife and dining places do not require formal attire.

Banks

Regular banking hours are Monday to Friday from 10:00 until 15:00. Saturday and Sunday closed.

Credit cards

All major credit cards are accepted in Sweden. Most hotels, shops, restaurants and taxi accept VISA and Master Card. American express may not be accepted in all places. Please beware that there is a trend in Sweden to reduce handling of cash and cash payments are not accepted everywhere.

Currency

The currency is the Swedish krona (SEK). For denominations under 20 kronor, coins are used at values of 1, 2 and 5 kronor.

Exchange rates, August 2020

1 Euro (EUR) = 10.50 Swedish kronor (SEK)

1 Swedish krona (SEK) = 0,09 Euro (EUR)

1 US Dollar (USD) = 9.30 Swedish kronor (SEK)

1 Swedish krona (SEK) = 0,11 US Dollar (USD)

Taxes/VAT

Taxes are always included in the price presented to customers/guests in shops, hotels, restaurants, etc. The general sales tax (VAT) is 25%, exceptions are hotel accommodation and food at restaurants (12%) and travel (6%).

Tipping

While tipping is not mandatory in Sweden, it is customary for good service in sit-down restaurants, which offer table service. If you're happy with the service you receive, a 5-10% tip on the bill is a standard expression of appreciation.

Electricity

Electrical sockets are 220-240 V AC, 50 Hz, plug type C or F. Visitors with appliances of different voltages should bring adapters.

Tobacco and Alcohol

The minimum age to buy alcohol is 18 years old in bars and restaurants. Sweden has a government alcohol monopoly called Systembolaget for sale of all alcoholic drinks stronger than 3.5% by volume. The minimum purchase age at Systembolaget is 20 years. You must also be at least 18 years of age to purchase cigarettes. Smoking is banned in public spaces and workspaces in Sweden, including schools, restaurants, bars, and private clubs. The ban extends to outdoor public areas such as entrance ways, bus stops, playgrounds, sport fields, and restaurant and bar patios.

Business Hours

In general, stores are open from 10:00 until 18:00 from Monday to Saturday, Sunday from 12:00 until 16:00. Some shopping malls are open from 10:00 until 21:00. Grocery stores and pharmacies usually have longer opening hours all week.

Emergency Services

The emergency number for all health, safety, police and crime emergencies is **112**.

WHILE IN STOCKHOLM – PLACES TO VISIT AND THINGS TO DO

The Stockholm pass - the smart way to discover Stockholm

The Stockholm pass will save you time and money. You'll discover sights, museums, attractions and excursions you didn't even know existed. It includes free rides on the metro, buses as well as free admission to many sights, museums and attractions.

More information stockholmpass.se



From left: Jesper Waldersten at Fotografiska museum, The City Hall from above and Gamla Stans parade of soldiers outside the Royal Palace.

ABBA THE MUSEUM

The ABBA Museum displays the music, the clothes, the lyrics, the musicals and the films of the most iconic Swedish band of all time. The museum is modern and designed to give its visitors an interactive, memorable and of course musical experience. Djurgårdsvägen 68, abbathemuseum.com

FOTOGRAFISKA

Fotografiska is more than just a renowned photography museum, It is a meeting place and a playground for everything photography. The museum also has an amazing book and souvenir shop and an award-winning restaurant, appointed best museum restaurant in the world. Fotografiska also have a café on the top floor, and the view alone is visual fodder for the imagination. Stadsgårdshamnen 22, fotografiska.eu

CITY HALL

The Stockholm City Hall is one of Sweden's most famous buildings. This impressive building with its ceremonial halls and unique art collection is the official venue of the Nobel Prize banquet, which is held every year on December 10th. The City Hall Tower, crowned with its three golden crowns, is the unbeatable protagonist of the Stockholm skyline and it is open to the public between May and September. Hantverkargatan 1, stockholm.se/stadshuset

GAMLA STAN

Gamla Stan, the Old Town, is one of the largest and best preserved medieval city centers in Europe, and one of the foremost attractions in Stockholm. This is where Stockholm was founded in 1252. Gamla Stan is filled with sights, restaurants, cafés, bars, and places to shop. The narrow, winding cobblestone streets, with their buildings in different colors, give Gamla Stan its unique character. There are several beautiful museums and attractions here, including the Royal Palace.



From left: subway art, the mighty Vasa ship and thrilling Ericsson Globe SkyView.

ART IN THE SUBWAY

The Stockholm subway is said to be the world's longest art exhibition. More than 90 of the 100 stations are decorated with sculptures, mosaics, paintings, installations, engravings, and reliefs by over 150 artists. Some of the highlighted stations are Kungsträdgården, T-Centralen, Rådhuset, Solna Centrum, Tensta Hötorget, Thorildsplan, Bagarmossen, Tekniska Högskolan and Stadion. visitstockholm.com/art-in-the-subway

NATIONAL MUSEUM

National Museum The collections at National Museum comprise of paintings, sculptures, drawings and prints from 1500-1900 and applied arts, design and portraits from early Middle Ages up until present day. After nearly three years of extensive renovations, National Museum reopened 2019.

SKANSEN

Skansen is the oldest open air museum in the world. It was founded all the way back in 1891. Skansen is a favorite among both Stockholmers and visitors. This place is like no other, it is a complex blend of historical buildings, Nordic animals unique to the region, a children's zoo and an aquatic zoo, also known as an aquarium. Djurgårdssläätten 49, skansen.se

THE ROYAL PALACE

The Royal Palace is a rare gem amongst the long list of European palaces. This is one of the world's largest palaces with over 600 rooms. This baroque institution is open for visitors to witness its regal splendor. In addition to the Royal Apartments there are three museums steeped in regal history. Slottsbacken 1, royalpalaces.se

Make sure not to miss the parade of soldiers and the daily changing of the guard.

DROTNINGHOLM PALACE

Drottningholm Palace is Sweden's best preserved royal palace from the 1600s. It is the permanent residence of the royal family and one of Stockholm's three UNESCO World Heritage sites. The palace features magnificent salons, a beautiful park, an extraordinary court theater and a Chinese Pavillion. In the summer months' visitors can reach the palace by boat departing from central Stockholm. Drottningholm, royalpalaces.se

THE VASA MUSEUM

The Vasa Museum is ranked among the top museums in the world and is the most visited attraction in Scandinavia. The mighty Vasa warship capsized and sank in Stockholm 1628. After 333 years on the sea bed, she was salvaged and the voyage could continue. Today Vasa is the world's only preserved 17th century. Galärvarvsvägen 14, vasamuseet.se

SKY VIEW

Sky view takes you to the top of the world's largest spherical building, the Ericsson Globe, a Stockholm landmark. From the approximate 130 meters (425 feet) above sea level, you get a fantastic view encompassing all of Stockholm. The two SkyView gondolas depart every 10 minutes, and the entire visit takes about 30 minutes. Restaurant, café and souvenir shop are adjacent to SkyView.



From left: high end brands at NK department store, beautiful Josef Franks textile at Svenskt Tenn and swedish Acne Studios collaboration with Mulberry.

Shopping Stockholm City

Shopping Stockholm City is the place for affordable shopping, especially of the young and trendy variety. Drottninggatan and the area between Sergels Torg and Kungsträdgården are full of clothing chains, and they share the area with large shopping temples such as the theme store Feet First (shoes) and the large-scale classic Stockholm department stores. Åhléns City, where Drottninggatan ends at Sergels torg, is the largest department store in Sweden.

There are several H&M stores and other large chain stores in the nearby area and along the pedestrian mall. Upper Drottninggatan has gained a trendier and focused fashion image, where PUB is on the leading edge of a reawakening of young Swedish fashion and interior design. At Gallerian on Hamngatan, shopaholics can get their fill of various clothing chains and then stop for a bite at one of the many restaurants and cafés.

A list of shopping malls and galleries:

- **NK** (Nordiska Kompaniet), on Hamngatan 18-20, is a classic department store with exclusive fashion.
- **Åhléns City**, at the street Klarabergsgatan 50. A house where the stores are specified in fashion, beauty and interior design.
- **Gallerian**, at the street Hamngatan 37. There are 28 restaurants and 52 stores with a variety from tech to fashion.

For high-end brands and Swedish design, such as Acne, Filippa K, Fjällräven, COS and Peak Performance. Visit the area around Norrmalmstorg and Biblioteksgatan. The classic interior design company Svenskt Tenn with its flagship store on the beautiful shoreline boulevard, and a must for those with an interest in design and interior furnishings. The timeless, amazingly patterned and brilliantly colored fabrics and beautiful furniture by Swedish-Austrian architect and designer Josef Frank still cause people to make a pilgrimage to the store on Strandvägen. Next door neighbor, Carl Malmsten with traditional and modern furniture, mixed with Swedish folk tradition as the starting point. Handicrafts, genuine materials, colors from nature, sustainability and functionality are the watchwords.

Next to the official Hotel is Globen Shopping, with 60 stores that offers you a personable environment and a high degree of service. There are also a number of ATMs available as well as banks and pharmacy.

Where and what to eat in town

Have you heard of the unique Swedish tradition of fika? Though difficult to translate, it basically means to meet for coffee and snack. Sweden enjoys a highly developed culture when it comes to coffee and baked goods, and all over Stockholm you will find cafés and cake shops brimming with atmosphere, character and quality, whether it's traditional or contemporary-creative.

VETEKATTEN

Vetekatten in central Stockholm is one of many well-preserved, tradition-packed coffee shops where you can sample traditional Swedish pastries of superior quality. Kungsgatan 55, vetekatten.se



From left: breakfast all day at Pom och Flora, classic seafood at Sturehof and a bit of France at Brasserie le Rouge.

CHOKLADKOPPEN

A small, cozy and intimate café, specialized in hot chocolate, on Stortorget in Gamla Stan. One of the first openly LGBT-friendly establishments in Stockholm. Stortorget 18, chokladkoppen.se

POM & FLORA

Pom & Flora is known for their beautiful interior and their mouthwatering, Instagram-friendly dishes. Their breakfast combo is known to be one of the best in town. Bondegatan 64 and Odengatan 39, pomochflora.se

BAGERI PETRUS

In the middle of Södermalm you will find Bageri Petrus, one of the best bakeries in the whole of Sweden according to White Guide Café. [instagram.com/bageripetrus](https://www.instagram.com/bageripetrus)

Restaurants

The culinary renaissance New Nordic cuisine takes Scandinavian culinary tradition to a new level in an innovative version, using carefully selected ingredients and a focus on locally produced, organic foods. Innovation has even infiltrated the kitchens of Stockholm. Long gone are the days of plain meatballs and herring. Nordic cuisine has taken huge leaps in the last decades with award winning chefs and restaurants that offer a modern and exciting twist on traditional dishes. Visit Stockholm has listed some of the bars and restaurants in Stockholm: visitstockholm.com/eat--drink/

STUREHOF

A classic brasserie and social stage at Stureplan in the center of Stockholm's entertainment precinct. Swedish cuisine with international influences and several bars. In summer the alfresco section is the place to see and be seen.

BRASSERIE LE ROUGE

There's no Swedish minimalism at this place. Visiting the restaurant Le Rouge is like stepping into French fin-de-siecle. Classic French and Italian composed menus are served here, and tradition is more important than trendiness. Don't miss the bar next door, Le Bar Rouge, which has quickly become one of Stockholm's most popular hang-outs!

THE ERICSSON GLOBE ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

The entertainment district centered around the Ericsson Globe is the largest and most important of its kind in Scandinavia. In addition to arenas, it includes hotel, shopping facilities and a new food and entertainment area underneath Tele2 Arena, TolvStockholm where the Medal Plaza will be situated, during the Europeans in Stockholm.

O'LEARYS

A popular American sports bar. Where great food is served, with inspiration from many parts of the world. O'Learys offers you generous portions, no fuss and with a warm service. At O'Learys you will also find fun games like bowling and miniature golf with small replicas of famous buildings in Stockholm.

EVENT SCHEDULE

(As of September 1, 2020) – subject to change

Date	Time	Event	Location
Monday, March 22	All day	Official Practice	Ericsson Globe
	10:45	LADIES – Technical Panel Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	12:45	PAIRS – Technical Panel Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	16:00	1st Team Leaders Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	17:45	Medical Meeting	Ericsson Globe
Tuesday, March 23	All day	Official Practice	Ericsson Globe
	09:00	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	10:00	PAIRS – Initial Judges Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	11:00	ICE DANCE – Technical Panel Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	13:15	MEN – Technical Panel Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	16:15	LADIES – Initial Judges Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	20:00	ISU and Judges Dinner (TBC)	TBD
Wednesday, March 24	08:00	MEN – Initial Judges Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	10:00	LADIES – Short Program	Ericsson Globe
	17:30	Opening Ceremony on Ice	Ericsson Globe
	18:30	PAIRS – Short Program	Ericsson Globe
Thursday, March 25	08:00	ICE DANCE – Initial Judges Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	09:00	2nd Team Leaders Meeting	Ericsson Globe
	11:00	MEN – Short Program	Ericsson Globe
	18:10	PAIRS – Free Skating	Ericsson Globe
	22:30	PAIRS – Technical Panel Review	Ericsson Globe
Friday, March 26	09:00	PAIRS – Round Table Discussion	Ericsson Globe
	10:45	ICE DANCE – Rhythm Dance	Ericsson Globe
	18:00	LADIES – Free Skating	Ericsson Globe
	22:30	LADIES – Technical Panel Review	Ericsson Globe
Saturday, March 27	09:00	LADIES – Round Table Discussion	Ericsson Globe
	11:00	MEN – Free Skating	Ericsson Globe
	17:00	MEN – Technical Panel Review	Ericsson Globe
	17:00	ICE DANCE – Free Dance	Ericsson Globe
	21:00	ICE DANCE – Technical Panel Review	Ericsson Globe
Sunday, March 28	08:00	MEN – Round Table Discussion	Ericsson Globe
	10:15	ICE DANCE – Round Table Discussion	Ericsson Globe
	14:30	Gala Exhibition	Ericsson Globe
	20:00	Closing Dinner (TBC)	Stockholm City Hall

Summary of deadlines

		Deadline date
ORS	Preliminary Entry Form	October 1, 2020
ORS	Hotel Request for Team Leaders, Competitors, Judges	October 1, 2020
ORS	Hotel Request for Team Officials, Coaches, Others	October 1, 2020
ORS	Entry by Name for Competitors	March 1, 2021
ORS	Entry by Name for Judges	March 1, 2021
ORS	Entry by Name for Delegation Members	March 1, 2021
ORS	Hotel Reservation	March 1, 2021
ORS	Travel Details	March 1, 2021
ORS	Bank Transfer Information	March 1, 2021

Summary of payments

	Deadline date
Deadline for 50% deposit for hotel reservations from Federation	November 16, 2020
Refund of 100% hotel deposit for cancellations up to	January 11, 2021
Refund of 50% hotel deposit for cancellations from January 12 until	March 1, 2021
No refund for cancellations after this date	March 2, 2021
Federation to pay balance of hotel payment	Latest at registration

COVID-19

Following the COVID-19 outbreak across the world all countries are acting and handling it differently depending on the country's situation. The government of Sweden has decided that public events of over 50 people are temporarily banned due to the spread of the Covid-19. The government has promised to present new updated regulations in the end of August.

For the ISU and the Local Organizing Committee of the ISU Figure Skating World Championships 2021, the health and safety of the participants are priority number one. We are closely following the Covid-19 development with the expectation and hope that the situation will be back to normal as soon as possible.

You can read more on ISU's website regarding the decisions of the ISU Council, relating to consequences of the COVID-19 crisis with an impact on the 2020/21 season for the Figure Skating Branch [here](#).

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