

April 13-17, 2022 Tallinn, Estonia

Media Information



The Estonian Skating Union looks forward to hosting media attending the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2022 in Tallinn. The event will be held at the Tondiraba Ice Arena from April 13th - 17th, 2022

This information will assist you in planning your trip to Tallinn and to apply for media accreditation to cover the event. Every effort will be made to ensure journalists have all the appropriate facilities necessary to work at the event.

The Press Center and press tribunes will be open as from Wednesday April 13th according to the following time schedule (it may be subject to change and needs to be verified on-site):

Press Center opening times (approximately):

Wednesday, April 13 th	8:00-22:00
Thursday, April 14 th	9:00-22:00
Friday, April 15 th	8:45-22:00
Saturday, April 16 th	7:00-23:00
Sunday, April 17 th	6:15-20:00

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Media Accreditation

All media must apply for media accreditation through the ISU Online Media Accreditation System (OMAS) on the International Skating Union (ISU) website (www.isu.org) under «Media Accreditation».

Accreditation will be granted to professional journalists and photographers only.

Writing press, photographers, non-right holding media and freelancers

- **Writing Press** (newspaper, magazine, internet, agencies and ISU Member Federations): maximum one professional per organization onsite (agencies and major newspapers: maximum two professionals)
- **Photographer:** maximum one professional per organization onsite (agencies and major newspapers: maximum two professionals onsite)
- Television non-right holder: maximum three professionals per organization onsite
- Radio non-right holder: maximum one professional per organization onsite
- **Freelancer:** A freelance journalist or photographer is a full time professional editor or photographer, who is not employed by an agency or newspaper a self-employed professional. A freelance editor or photographer <u>must provide written evidence</u> that he/she operates on behalf of a clearly identified media. A freelance editor or photographer operating under his/her own account will not be accepted.

The International Skating Union (ISU) and the Organizing Committee have been working diligently to ensure there will be ample coverage opportunities available to media outlets wishing to cover the ISU events. This in mind, there will be two types of media accreditations issued for those wishing to cover ISU Championships.

On-site media accreditations will be subject to capacity.

Remote media accreditation holders will not have access to the venue and will be covering the event virtually.

The deadlines to apply for media accreditations are as follows:

On-site media accreditation requests: **April 6**th **2022** Remote media accreditation requests: **April 6**th **2022**

No late media accreditation requests will be accepted for on-site media accreditation requests.

All media must provide the following documentation when applying for media accreditation and further information can be requested:

- 1. Endorsement Letter in .pdf, .jpg, .png or .jpeg
- 2. Copy of current professional media or journalist card in .pdf,.jpg,.png,.jpeg
- 3. ID photo in .pdf, .jpg, .png or .jpeg
- 4. Waiver Form for Attendees of ISU Events during Covid-19 Pandemic

TV and Radio Rights Holders

All right holding media must also apply for accreditation via OMAS. Access to the Right Holders area is restricted, therefore Right Holders are invited to contact the ISU Media Team media@isu.ch in order to obtain a username and password.

To book any broadcasting services or facilities please contact the host Broadcaster:

ERR Rivo Saarna

Email: rivo.saarna@err.ee

Accreditation Confirmation

If the accreditation request – either on-site or remote - is accepted, an automatic email of confirmation will be issued. For on-site attendance, you may be asked to present a copy of the email of confirmation to receive your accreditation badge.

You will also be notified if your accreditation request is denied. <u>Please note that the ISU and OC reserve the right to refuse accreditation with or without justification.</u>

The **Accreditation Centre** is open for media from April 12th and according to the following operating times:

10:00-20:00
08:00-20:00
11:00-20:00
13:00-20:00
10:00-20:00
10:00-20:00

Entrance to the venue is through the Public Entrance on ground level. Entrance to the Accreditation is located on -1 level right under the Public Entrance.



COVID-19 Measures

- All participants (even those vaccinated) must present a negative PCR test of less than 72 hours upon arrival at the accreditation office. The PCR test result has to be valid at the time of accreditation.
- In addition, an **antigen test** needs to be taken on-site at the accreditation office in order to obtain the press badge.

There will be no daily antigen testing procedure for this event.

Visa Application

Media representatives requiring an official invitation letter in order to apply for a visa must contact the Organizing Committee (entries@uisuliit.ee). Please note that an official invitation letter will only be provided to approved media representatives.

Nationals of the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) and any third-country national holding a residence permit of a Schengen State do not **need a visa** to enter Estonia.

For visa request provide passport details and name of the Embassy where it will be applied.

Media Facilities at the venue

The Press Center will include the media working stations, an area for photographers (incl. lockers), cafeteria corner, press Information desk and boxes. Currently approximately 20 working spaces are planned. The size of the press center is flexible as this will be a temporarily built room.

Up to 50 press seats are available in the press tribunes in section B2. There will be 15 tabled seats and at least 30 seats without tables.

Journalists and photographers will have free internet access (Wi-fi and/or LAN access – LAN access for Photographers) in the Press Center. Dedicated Wi-fi is available for Press in the press center, press tribune, mixed zone.

TV screens will be available in the Mixed zone and the Press Center.

Media Tribune and TV Commentator positions

Press Seats

Number: 50 seats in total, of which would include 15 tabled seats

Location: Section B2
Wi-fi connection

TV Commentators

Location: Section B1 – at the back

LAN and Wi-fi connections

ISU Right Holders & Partners

Number: 30 seats / access with tickets

Location: Section A3 lower level



Mixed Zone & Press Conferences

The Mixed Zone provides an opportunity for media to interview athletes immediately after competition.

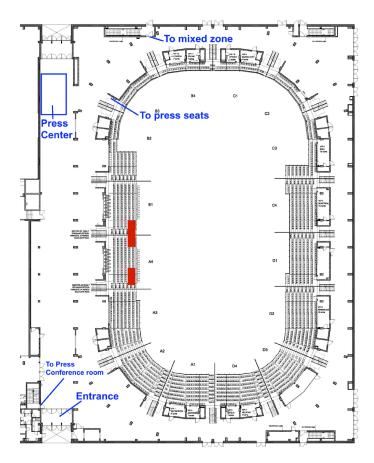
Requests can be made in advance via e-mail press@uisuliit.ee. Please specify which athlete/coach you would like to interview and when.

The Mixed Zone is split into five main sections and follows a pre-determined priority order:

- Quick Quotes available through the ISU website
- Rights Holders TV and radio broadcasters who have pre-booked positions
- ENG crews
- Written press
- Non-rights holders
- Virtual mixed zone

Athletes with requests will pass through the Mixed Zone on completion of every event. Coaches may also be requested for interviews, if required. The Media Operations team will do their best to make sure that requested skaters go through the Mixed Zone for media interviews, but are also responsible to ensure that the medallists get to their ceremony on time and return to the Mixed Zone to finish TV interviews, before then attending Press Conferences.

The Mixed Zone is located on ice level next to the skaters exit from the main rink. Access to Mixed Zone is through a staircase not far from the Press Center and Press Seats.



Press conferences will feature the top-3 finishers after the Short Program and the medalists after the Free Skating. They will also be accessible virtually (through a Zoom link) to all remote media accreditation holders. They will take place after the Short Program and Free Skating for all four disciplines. Press conferences will be moderated by a member of the Organizing Committee. These press conferences will be archived and available for on-demand viewing.

All remote media accreditation holders will be able to access the virtual Mixed Zone and virtual Press Conferences through a Zoom link provided on the ISU Inside Event App. Once in the **Zoom** room, those wanting to ask a question will be asked to notify the moderator by using the chat or raise hand function. The moderator will call on those wanting to ask a question.

Material Available

- Press Conference room is at level 0. The Press Conferences will take place approximately 15-20 minutes after each competition/Victory Ceremony.
- Quick Quotes
- Press Releases
- Media Guide
- To access ISU photo galleries for editorial and non-commercial purposes, <u>click here</u>.
 When using a picture, the ISU must be credited as follows: ©International Skating Union (ISU) and must be tagged or mentioned in any social media post.

- The OC also has an official photographer Raigo Pajula. If you need any photos from him, please contact <u>press@uisuliit.ee</u>
- Social Media: https://www.facebook.com/uisuliit, https://www.instagram.com/eestiuisuliit/
- Hashtags: #jwskate2022Tallinn, <u>#WorldJFigure</u>
- Website: www.jwskate2022.eu

Connect with ISU official channels for all the latest and live information:

- ISU website
- Media Information on the WJFSC Event's webpage
- Facebook: <u>@ISUFigureSkating</u>Instagram: <u>@ISUFigureSkating</u>
- Twitter: @ISU FigureTik Tok: @isuskating
- ISU Newsletter subscription

Competition Information

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, April 13	All day	Official Practice
	09:00	Referee & Technical Controllers Meeting
	09:45	JUNIOR MEN – Initial Judges Meeting
	10:00	Team Leaders Meeting
	10:30	JUNIOR MEN – Technical Panel Meeting
	11:15	Medical Meeting
	13:15	JUNIOR WOMEN – Technical Panel Meeting
	14:00	JUNIOR PAIRS – Initial Judges Meeting
	16:15	JUNIOR ICE DANCE – Technical Panel Meeting
	18:15	JUNIOR PAIRS – Technical Panel Meeting
Thursday, April 14	09:15	JUNIOR ICE DANCE – Initial Judges Meeting
	13:00	JUNIOR MEN – Short Program
	18:30	Opening Ceremony on Ice
	19:05	JUNIOR PAIRS – Short Program
Friday, April 15	08:30	JUNIOR WOMEN – Initial Judges Meeting
	14:15	JUNIOR ICE DANCE – Rhythm Dance
	18:55	JUNIOR PAIRS – Free Skating
	21:15	JUNIOR PAIRS - Technical Panel Review Meeting
Saturday, April 16	09:00	JUNIOR PAIRS - Judges Round Table Discussion
	10:15	JUNIOR WOMEN – Short Program

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	18:15	JUNIOR MEN – Free Skating
	22:15	JUNIOR MEN – Technical Panel Review Meeting
Sunday, April 17	09:00	JUNIOR MEN – Judges Round Table Discussion
	11:45	JUNIOR ICE DANCE – Free Dance
	15:45	JUNIOR ICE DANCE – Technical Panel Review Meeting
	15:45	JUNIOR WOMEN – Free Skating
	17:00	JUNIOR ICE DANCE – Judges Round Table Discussion
	19:45	JUNIOR WOMEN – Technical Panel Review Meeting
	21:00	JUNIOR WOMEN – Judges Round Table Discussion

Please note: This schedule is subject to change

Schedule Entry List Results Rankings

Media Accommodation

The OC has designated one official media hotel. Shuttle transportation will be arranged from the official media hotel to the main venue and the practice arena. Shuttle schedules will be provided on site. Please be advised that the <u>transportation service will only be available for the designated official media hotel.</u>

Every individual media person is responsible for booking their own accommodation and bearing any cancellation fees.

Media Hotel

Tallink City Hotel 4*



Website: https://www.tallinkhotels.com/en/tallink-city-hotel

The newly renovated 4-star Tallink City Hotel is located in the heart of Tallinn, in the popular shopping and business district of the city center and just a few minutes' walk from the historic Old Town. The best shopping malls, restaurants and bars are nearby.

The hotel offers comfortable accommodation in cosy and spacious rooms, with rich buffet breakfast and tasty meals at the Sume Restaurant.

Reservation Payment Conditions

Room rates:

Standard Single - 109 €; Standard twin - 109 €

Room rates are per night and include buffet breakfast, Wi-fi and VAT 9%.

Booking: through homepage https://www.tallinkhotels.com/en/tallink-city-hotel or e-mail: tallinkhotels@tallink.ee

1 Eur = 1,1095 USD (11.03.2022, rate is subject to change)

All types of cards are accepted.

Transportation & Telecommunications

Transportation

By Air

Lennart Meri Tallinn Airport is located just 4 km from the Tallinn City center. Information service in the Departure Hall is opened according to the flight schedule 2 hours before the first flight and closed after the last arriving flight. Website: www.tallinn-airport.ee

From the Airport

Tram no. 4 from the airport to the city center operates a frequent schedule from 5:30 am until 00:45. The tram stop is located next to the terminal towards the city. Single journey tickets can be bought in cash from the driver for €2. The most central stop is the "Hobujaama" near the Tallink City Hotel and "Vabaduse väljak stop" near the Palace Hotel Tallinn.

Bus no. 2 makes the trip from the airport to the city center approximately every 20 minutes and operates from ~6:30 am until midnight. Single journey tickets can be bought in cash from the driver for €2. The bus departs from the airport's lowest level, down the escalator from the arrivals hall. The most central stop is the Laikmaa stop on Laikmaa Street, near the Tallink City Hotel.

A taxi stand can be found just outside the arrivals hall. The fare from the airport to the city center is about €5 to €10. BOLT is functioning in Tallinn as well.

By Train

The railway station (Balti jaam) is situated near the Old Town and harbor. Take the tram line no. 1 or no. 2 or walk just 10 minutes to the Old Town.

By Ferry

Ferries cross the Gulf of Finland between Tallinn and Helsinki several times a day, covering the distance in roughly two to three hours. Ferries between Tallinn and Stockholm depart every evening, with the trip taking approximately 15 hours.

By Bus

Two international bus lines offer connections to Tallinn from several other European cities. Regular routes connecting Tallinn with Riga and Vilnius operate several times a day. International connections are provided by <u>Lux Express</u> and <u>Ecolines</u>. International and intercity buses arrive and depart via the Tallinn Central Bus Station (Tallinna Bussijaam): Lastekodu 46

OFFICIAL TRANSPORTATION

There will be official shuttle bus between Media Hotel and Venue. Shuttle bus Schedule will be provided at the accreditation office.

Telecommunications

Additional services such as dedicated internet line in the press center, press tribune or rink side for agency photographers should be booked through Host Broadcaster according to rate card.

Useful Information

Climate

In April the average temperature is -2 up to -7 degrees.

Currency

Estonia joined the EURO-zone in the beginning of 2011. The EURO is the official currency.

Electricity

The electric current is 220 V AC, 50Hertz. European two-pin plugs are required.

Time

Estonia is in the Eastern European Time Zone: GMT +2 hours.

Emergency number: 112

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