SOFIA TROPHY 2022

Sofia, Bulgaria 01-06 February 2022



ANNOUNCEMENT



FIGURE SKATING CLUB DENKOVA-STAVISKI and

BULGARIAN SKATING FEDERATION Invites you to attend the

SOFIA TROPHY

Sofia, Bulgaria 01-06 February 2022

INTERCLUB FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION for Intermediate Novice, Basic Novice, Cubs and Chicks



Please note:

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel or postpone the "Sofia Trophy 2022" if due to the Coronavirus (Covid-19) the decision or recommendation of the national/local Government will not agree to conduct such an event or if the travel restrictions into and out of Bulgaria will block the Teams for an unexpected period.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION:

The **SOFIA TROPHY 2022** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2021, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2021, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **SOFIA TROPHY 2022** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify regarding eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3.

Passports of all Skaters must to be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

2. TECHNICAL DATA:

2.1 PLACE OF THE EVENT:

Winter Sports Palace – Studentski grad District, Academician Boric Stefanov Str., Sofia, Bulgaria (an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 30 x 60 m, air-conditioned and heated).

2.2 CATEGORIES:

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE GIRLS & BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2006 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2021,

ISU Communication 2396 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2008 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2021,

ISU Communication 2396 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2009 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2021,

ISU Communication 2396 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE III. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2010 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2021,

ISU Communication 2396 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec



BASIC NOVICE BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2008 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2021,

ISU Communication 2396 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

CUBS I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2011 – 30.6.2012

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CUBS II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2012 – 30.6.2013

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CUBS BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2011 – 30.6.2013

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

A well-balanced CUBS Free Skating Program must contain:

- a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys, one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. Triple jumps are not permitted. Any single or double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.
- c) There must be a maximum:
- for Girls one (1) Choreographic sequence which includes at least one 3 second's long spiral position. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Level explanation: For CUBS, in all elements which are subject to levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not be counted for Level Requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The program components will be judged only according to the following criteria:

- Skating Skills
- Performance

The factors for the program components are 2.5.

CHICKS I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2013 – 30.6.2014

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2014 and younger.

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec



CHICKS BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2013 and younger

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

A well-balanced CHICKS Free Skating Program must contain:

- a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys, one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. Triple jumps are not permitted. Any single or double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed
- c) There must be a maximum:
- for Girls one (1) Choreographic sequence which includes at least one 3 second's long spiral position. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Level explanation: For CHICKS, in all elements which are subject to levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not be counted for Level Requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The program components will be judged only according to the following criteria:

- Skating Skills
- Performance

The factors for the program components are 2.5.

The same ISU rules on Judging, refereeing and work of the Technical Panel will be applied as it is in junior and senior international competitions.

3. ENTRIES:

All clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federation, are invited to take part at the competition.

Entries for younger categories will be accepted only from clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations.

In case of too many entries, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants.

The entries for the competition must be done via web portal – <u>www.europeancriterium.eu</u>. Before entry procedure a representative of each federation/club needs to apply for a new account on <u>www.europeancriterium.eu/Account/Register</u>.

Together with online entries a filled Program Content Sheet for each skater must be sent to the following e-mail: sofiatrophy@bsf.bg.

Entries must reach the Event Organizer not later than January 14, 2022

Program Content Sheet and additional forms can be downloaded from ISU website or from the official website of the competition: http://sofia-trophy.clubdenkovastaviski.com.

The organizer will not cover any expenses for competitors, team leaders, coaches, or chaperons.



4. CANCELLATION:

Cancellation of the competitor entry must be done till <u>January 25, 2022</u>. For any latter cancellation, the team leader of respective Federation or Club will be asked to pay the entry fee.

5. JUDGES:

Each participating ISU member may nominate one (1) International or ISU Judge. The nomination must be done via web portal – www.europeancriterium.eu, not later than January 14, 2022.

The Panels will be drawn immediately after the closing of entries. The members concerned will be notified of the result of the draw.

Each panel of Judges in Seniors, Juniors and Advanced Novices categories will consist of 5 Judges.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators and confirmed Judges at **Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia*******, beginning with dinner on Tuesday, February 01, 2022, until lunch on Sunday, February 06, 2022.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for travel expenses only for Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators.

6. ENTRY FEE:

Chicks, Cubs, Basic and Intermediate Novice – 50 € per skater.

Payment shall be made by bank transfer or on the spot at the office of the Organizing Committee in the Winter Sports Palace during the accreditation.

Bank account:

INVESTBANK BULGARIA

IBAN: BG82IORT73711400332500

BIC: IORTBGSF

Bank holder: Club "Denkova-Staviski"

Please fill in the name and discipline of the skater, and Club or Federation in the transfer details! The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason.

7. EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROPHY:

SOFIA TROPHY 2022 is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2021/22 for Juniors, Advanced Novices, and younger categories. Results of the Teams will count for competition of International Trophy of Figure Skating European Criterium. Individual points are automatically calculated for all skaters in every category and those are valid in the European Criterium Tournament for the same category. The age requirements and the special regulation for the European Criterium Trophy are published on the website of the EC: www.europeancriterium.eu.

8. CALCULATION OF THE RESULTS:

Results for all categories will be calculated using the new ISU Judging System.

The results and any additional information for the event will be published on the websites www.europeancriterium.eu and http://sofia-trophy.clubdenkovastaviski.com.

9. MUSIC:

In accordance with Rule 343 in the ISU Special Regulations Technical Rules Single Pair Skating and Ice Dance, the following method to submit the Competitor's music to the Organizing

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Committee must be followed:

• the participating member is responsible for submitting the Competitor's music as attachment to an email to the Organizing Committee (music@bsf.bg) until **January 14, 2022**.

Please note: some music files might exceed the size of a regular email. In this case, an email-based transfer service which allows to send large files could be used to send the file to the OC.

• each submission shall be labelled with the name of the ISU Member, name of the category, segment, and the name(s) of the competitor(s).

Example:

BUL_BasicNoviceBoys_FS_SmithJohn SLO_CubsGirls_FS_MustermannMax

• the music files must be sent as MP3 file formats. Any other format is not acceptable.

Please note: Files in MP3 format may have a significant difference in the music quality when reproduced. The Organizing Committee in this case is not responsible if the music quality would be insufficient.

- Each Competitor must have an own back-up drive (USB Stick) for each program in the format of MP3 file.
- The exact running time of the music (not skating time) must be communicated to the Organizing Committee when submitting the music and shall be certified by the Competitor/Coach/Team Leader at the time of registration.
- During the 1st Official Practice, the music will be played as indicated in the Practice Schedule and will allow to verify the correctness of the submitted music. If there is an issue with the music, the Team Leader / Coach may be allowed to change the music by presenting an acceptable reproduction to the Organizing Committee's Music Team (USB Stick with file format of MP3 file).

10.COVID-19 Items

As of current COVID-19 pandemic there are some restrictions enforced by Bulgarian authorities: Wearing of face (mouth and nose) covering masks is mandatory in all public indoor spaces and transport (including car sharing and taxi services). Entertainment and leisure facilities are allowed to serve only holders of COVID Green Pass (Certificate of Vaccination, Certificate of Recovery or Negative Test). PCR tests are valid for 72h from the probing time. Antigen tests are valid for 48h from the probing time. Arrival from some countries might be subject to restriction on freedom of movement (self-isolation). Up to date list of countries and applicable arrival restriction can be found on a website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

<u>Notice:</u> Above-described restrictions are subject to changes. Please check for most recent restrictions on the Bulgarian Government Covid-19 Information page. Latest information for international travelers can be found on the official website of Ministry of Foreign Affairs (https://www.mfa.bg/en/).

COVID-19 Tests can be done in following labs:

RamusLab:

PCR and Antigen Test

Result usually in 24h

Multiple locations

+ 359 2 943 1196

https://ramuslab.com/en/



11.LIABILITY:

According to ISU regulations, the Event Organizer accepts no liability for bodily harm, personal injury and loss of property or damages incurred by any competitor(s) or official(s).

12.ACCREDITATION:

The accreditation will start on <u>Tuesday, February 01, 2022, at 16:00h</u> in the office of the Organizing Committee in Winter Sports Palace.

Operating hours in competition days will be from 8:00h to 20:00h.

13.DRAW:

The opening draw for the order of skating will be held electronically on Friday, January 28, 2022, and will be available on the competition website.

14.ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:

Rates for additional practice hours are as follow:

50-min private practice – 120 €.

50-min open practice together with another teams – 20 € per skater.

15.INFORMATION:

For additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

90 Kniaz Boris I Str., Sofia 1000, Bulgaria

phone: +359 2 988 75 71 fax: +359 2 987 77 71

e-mail: sofiatrophy@bsf.bg



16.ACCOMMODATION:

Official hotels of the event:

For teams:

VITOSHA Park Hotel****, 1 Rosario Street, Sofia, Bulgaria.

Special Event prices: Single room – 50 €, Double room – 65 €

The rates are per night including breakfast, internet, swimming pool and fitness.



Point A - VITOSHA Park Hotel

Point B - Winter Sports Palace

Distance time by bus – around 10 minutes, Bus line No 94, 5th bus stop from the hotel.

Distance time by walk – around 20 minutes.

The room reservations for all team members must be done through the Organizing Committee to be provided the special room rates

17.TRANSPORTATION:

Organizing Committee will provide transportation from/to Sofia Airport and Sofia Central Railway station to official hotels.

The transportation fee is 20 € per person/one way.



Competition Provisional Schedule - subject to change

Wednesday - 02.02.2022

Official practices

Judges meeting and draw

Competitions:

Chicks – Free Skating
Cubs – Free Skating
Intermediate Novice – Free Skating

Prize giving ceremony - Chicks, Cubs, Intermediate Novice

Thursday - 03.02.2022

Official practices

Competitions:

Basic Novice - Free Skating

Prize giving ceremony - Basic Novice

THE OFFICIAL DETAILED AND FINAL SCHEDULE OF THE EVENT WILL BE PUBLISHED AFTER THE REGISTRATION OF ALL ENTRIES

Respectfully Yours and Best Skating Regards, Organizing Committee of the Sofia Trophy, Sofia, Bulgaria

