



ISU WORLD SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

**MONTREAL, CANADA
APRIL 8-10, 2022**

Media Information



**INTERNATIONAL
SKATING UNION**

Speed Skating Canada looks forward to hosting media attending the ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships in Montreal, Canada. The event will be held at the Maurice Richard Arena from April 8-10, 2022.

This information will assist you in planning your trip to Montreal 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 Centre and Press Tribune will be open and operational for the first training session on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 10:00am ET.

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If you require further information or have any questions, please contact:

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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 must provide written evidence 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 over 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 3, 2022**
- Remote media accreditation requests: **April 3, 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

Rights Holding TV and Radio

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:

Joel Mineau

OC Host Broadcaster

Email: joel@balboasport.com

Cell: +1-514 386-4121

Accreditation Confirmation

If the accreditation request is accepted, an automatic email of confirmation will be issued. 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. Please note that the ISU and OC reserve the right to refuse accreditation with or without justification.

Accreditation will be distributed to media in the Press Centre during opening hours, beginning Thursday, April 7 at 10:00am ET.

COVID-19 Measures

The following protocols will be in place for the event in order to protect participating teams, staff, volunteers and spectators; minimize the risk of COVID-19 spread within and external to the event; and meet the requirements of public health authorities.

- **Entrance PCR Test:** In accordance with [ISU Guidelines](#), in order to receive your accreditation, you must provide a negative PCR test result from a test taken no more than 72 hours before picking it up.
 - Each media member is responsible for coordinating and bearing the costs of their respective PCR test and ensuring they receive their results in time.
- **Masks:** All individuals are required to wear a medical face mask that completely covers the nose and mouth at all times in the official hotels, venue and transportation. Masks can be removed for short periods of time when eating or drinking.
- **Physical Distancing:** All individuals are strongly recommended to practice physical distancing (minimum of 2 meters in Canada). Physical barriers (e.g., curtains, stanchions), capacity limits and visual cues (i.e., ground markings) will be in place at the venue and in the official hotels to help facilitate distancing.

Visa Application

Current entry requirements to Canada are accessible via the Government of Canada website: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada.html?outside>

Additional information regarding travel restrictions in place to reduce the spread of COVID-19 should also be reviewed: <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid>.

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

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Media Facilities

The venue Press Center is located near the west entrance of the venue. The space includes workstations with both wired and wireless internet, along with a television for viewing the competition. Accredited media will be provided with beverages (coffee, water, etc.) and snacks.

The Press Centre will be open as follows:

- Thursday, April 7 from 10:00am to 7:00pm
- Friday, April 8 from 8:00am to 7:00pm
- Saturday, April 9 from 8:00am to 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 10 from 8:00am to 7:00pm

Media Tribune and TV Commentator Positions

There will be a limited number of workstations available in the media tribune. They will be attributed to accredited media on a first-come, first-serve basis.

TV Commentator positions are also available at the venue. Contact the Host Broadcaster for additional information:

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OC Host Broadcaster
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Photographer Positions

There will be a limited number of ice level photography positions available at the venue. The ISU and OC photographers will have priority access to choose their position prior to each competition day.

Mixed Zone

The Mixed Zone will be located near the Press Centre on the west side of the venue, just outside the athletes Heat Box.

Athletes with media requests will pass through the Mixed Zone following the completion of their races, however some athletes may choose to answer questions only after their final race of each competition day. Coaches may also be requested for interviews in the Mixed Zone.

All interview requests must be shared in advance with the OC Press Officer, who will work with the Media Operations team to ensure skaters pass through the Mixed Zone and fulfill all media requests. Medalists may have to leave to the Mixed Zone to arrive at their ceremony on time, but they will return to finish media obligations afterwards.

Priority will be given to media within the Mixed Zone in the following order:

- ISU Media
- Rights Holders (TV and Radio)
- ENG Crews
- Written Press
- Non-Rights Holders

Media in the Mixed Zone will be asked to follow all COVID-19 health measures in place at the time of the competition, which could include wearing a mask and ensuring proper social distancing with the athletes. As a result, media should be prepared with appropriate equipment for this type of set-up.

Press Conferences

The availability of in-person and/or virtual press conferences remains to be determined.

Material Available

- [Media Guide](#)
- [Press Releases](#)
 - To receive ISU press releases please [subscribe here](#)
 - To receive Speed Skating Canada press releases [subscribe here](#)
- Images
 - To access ISU photo galleries, [click here](#)
 - To access Speed Skating Canada photo galleries, [click here](#)
- Social Media:
 - Follow Speed Skating Canada on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for up-to-date information and behind-the-scenes content.
- ISU APP
 - Accredited media will receive information to download the ISU “Inside Events” App.

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

- [ISU website](#)
- [Media Information](#) on the WSTSSC Event’s webpage
- Facebook: [@ISUShortTrackSpeedSkating](#)
- Instagram: [@isuspeedskating](#)
- Twitter: [@ISU_Speed](#)
- Youtube: [Skating ISU](#)
- Tik Tok: [@isuskating](#)

Media Accommodation

The OC has a designated hotel for the competition, however due to limited capacity the priority for rooms will be given to participating countries and their delegations. If additional space is available at their hotels, rooms could be offered to accredited media.

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

Official Hotels

Hotel Universel Montréal
5000 rue Sherbrooke Est, Montréal, Québec, H1V 1A1

Contact: Mrs Yuening Song
Phone: +1-800-567-0223
Email: ysong@hoteluniverselmontreal.com

Transportation & Telecommunications

Transportation

Shuttle transportation will be arranged from the official event hotel above to the main venue. Shuttle schedules will be provided on site.

Telecommunications

Wi-Fi and Wired interview will be available in the Press Centre. The login credentials will be made available on-site.

Competition Information

- [Entries](#)
- [Rankings](#)
- [Schedule](#)
- [Results](#)

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