



EUROPEAN SPEED SKATING
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KOLOMNA
2018



ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2018,
Kolomna, Russia

Announcement

January 5-7, 2018
The Moscow Region Speed Skating Centre "Kolomna"
Kolomna, Russia

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On behalf of the Russian Skating Union, the Organizing Committee
has the honour and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

EUROPEAN SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS[®] 2018

which will be held in Kolomna, Russia on January 5-7, 2018

PROGRAM

Thursday, January 4, 2018	16.00	Team leaders Meeting at Kolomna Skating Centre
	18.00	Opening Draw at Kolomna Skating Centre
Friday, January 5, 2018	15.45	Opening Ceremony
	16:30	500m Ladies
		500m Men
		1500m Ladies
Saturday, January 6, 2018		1500m Men
	15:15	1000m Ladies
		1000m Men
		3000m Ladies
		5000m Men
Sunday, January 7, 2018	16:30	Team Pursuit Ladies
		Team Pursuit Men
		Team Sprint Ladies
		Team Sprint Men
		Mass start Ladies
		Mass start Men

REGULATIONS

The ISU European Single Distances Speed Skating Championships 2018 will be held in accordance with the 2016 Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU) and relevant ISU Communications, in particular, ISU Communication No. 2118.

Participation in the Championships is open to Skaters who belong to a European ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 1) and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 2118.

TRACK

The Moscow Region Speed Skating Centre "Kolomna" is an indoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radii of 26 and 30 meters respectively.

The width of the inside training track is 4 meters.

TITLE AND AWARDS

The winners of the individual distances will bear the titles: "Lady European Speed Skating Champion _ meters for 2018" and "European Speed Skating Champion _ meters for 2018", respectively (Rule 133, paragraph c).

The winners of the Mass start events will bear the titles "Lady European Speed Skating Mass Start Champion for 2018" and "European Speed Skating Mass Start Champion for 2018".

The winners of the Team Pursuit events will bear the titles "Ladies European Speed Skating Team Pursuit Champions for 2018" and "European Speed Skating Team Pursuit Champions for 2018".

The winners of the Team Sprint events will bear the titles "Ladies European Speed Skating Team Sprint Champions for 2018" and "European Speed Skating Team Sprint Champions for 2018".

All winners will be awarded the ISU Championships gold medal. The Skaters or teams placed second and third will be awarded the ISU Championships silver and bronze medals, respectively.

Prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 1976, or any further update of this Communication.

ENTRIES

Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events at <http://isu.events>.

Entries for the ISU European Single Distances Speed Skating Championships 2018 will only be accepted for Skaters who have reached the qualifying times for the event concerned, as listed in ISU Communication No. 2118.

ISU Members may enter a maximum of three (3) Skaters in each individual distance, except for Mass start Ladies and Mass start Men where the maximum entry quotas per ISU Member is two (2).

Maximum entry quota per ISU Member will be 10 Ladies and 10 Men, however specific entry quotas for each ISU Member will be announced by the ISU following the results of the qualifying competitions (ISU World Cups held during November and December 2017), in accordance with Rule 208, paragraph 5, and ISU Communication No. 2118.

The Preliminary entry with the estimated number of Competitors and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and Team leader must be sent through the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events at the latest by **December 18, 2017** (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Final entries including the names of the Competitors and substitute(s) available to compete (maximum 1 substitute per gender, for each event), as well as the names of the Team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is requested must be in the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on **January 2, 2018** (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Please note that for all persons entered by the ISU Members the procedures regarding the Declaration for Competitors and Officials (all team Officials requiring an accreditation) entering ISU Events (Rule 131) as outlined in ISU Communication 1628 need to be strictly observed.

For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131, 208 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797.

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the ISU Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another ISU Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

DRAWING

The drawings will be made by Rules 239 and 240.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1922 and 2117 or any further updates of these Communications).

LIABILITY

By the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, the Russian Skating Union and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability concerning the bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with this Championship. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday, January 1, 2018. Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

Trial starts will be organised on **Thursday, January 4, 2018**, times will be announced in training schedule.

BOARD AND LODGING

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel from lunch on **Thursday, January 4 until lunch on Monday, January 8, 2018** (Rule 137 paragraphs 10 and 14) for all Competitors participating in the Championships and one Team leader or coach for each ISU Member.

Expenses of other Skaters and officials (i.e. coaches, other team staff members and accompanying persons) other than those mentioned above, and expenses before or after the period mentioned above, will be at their cost.

Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the

Hotel "Kolomna"

140407, Russia, Kolomna, Soviet Square, 2
Tel.: +7 (496) 6121331
Fax: +7 (496) 6121896
E-mail: kolomnahotel@kolomna.ru
Website: <http://www.kolomna-hotel.ru/en/>

Hotel prices (all taxes included):

Single room with breakfast for 1 person € 66.00
Double room with breakfast for 2 persons € 90.00

Single room with full board for 1 person € 114.00
Double room with full board for 2 persons € 186.00

Hotel requirements must be communicated in the Preliminary entry as soon as possible, but no later than **December 18, 2017**.

Payment options for accommodation: bank transfer before the Event or by cash/credit card (Visa, Master Card and Union Pay) before check-in at OC office located in the hotel.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel. In case of last minute booking cancellation (24 hours before check-in) first-night penalty will be charged.

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday, January 1 to Monday, January 08 from/to the Moscow international airports Domodedovo (DME) and Sheremetyevo (SVO) and/or central Moscow railway stations.

When planning your travel schedule, please be informed that it is recommended to use Domodedovo Airport (DME) for your arrival to avoid traffic congestion as much as possible. **Taking into consideration weather conditions and rush hours, the way from Sheremetyevo (SVO) to Kolomna may take up to 7 hours!**

The Organizing Committee must be informed via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events about the date and time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials as soon as possible, but at the latest by **December 18, 2017**.

For Team officials who do not travel together with their team, the transportation service cannot be guaranteed free of charge. Extra cost for transfer of team officials who do not go along with their team will depend on the airport and arrival time.

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice-rink from **Monday, January 1, 2018**.

VISA & ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required to enter Russian Federation. Please use the following link <https://event.skating.global/essc2018/> to get more information about visa application procedure and submit your request for an invitation letter. Please prepare passport copy for each applicant when fill in the form.

A colour picture for the accreditation card must be attached to your invitation letter request for each team member (file of 35 mm x 45 mm with white background) or send to OC directly.

SERVICES FOR EXTRA OFFICIALS

The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, shuttle transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. A fee of € 50,00 for each additional accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Media accreditation requests for ISU Championships must be submitted via the ISU Online Media Accreditation System at <http://www.wingsmedia.it/isu/>. Information for the media will be available on the ISU website in due time.

For other requests, please contact **OC Press Officer: Ms Ekaterina Melikhova**

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WEB SITE

Information concerning the Event is available at the following web address:

<https://event.skating.global/essc2018/>