



ANNOUNCEMENT

TOMASZÓW MAZOWIECKI - POLAND Arena Lodowa

12 - 14 November 2021

















On behalf of the Polish Speed Skating Association, and the Organizing Committee, we have the honour and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

ISU WORLD CUP SPEED SKATING 2021/22 which will be held at the Arena Lodowa in TOMASZÓW MAZOWIECKI, POLAND from Friday, November 12, to Sunday, November 14, 2021

The Competition will be held under the 2021 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating, ISU Communication No. 2425 and Guidelines for ISU Events During the COVID-19 Pandemic. This World Cup Competition will serve as one of the qualifying events for quota places at the ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2022, ISU Four Continents Speed Skating Championships 2022, ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2022 (Allround and Sprint combination format and Team Sprint) and the XXIX Olympic Winter Games 2022.

PROGRAM:

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Thursday, November 11:	16:00	Team leaders' Meeting, Olympic Sports Centre in Spała	
	17.00	Medical meeting, Olympic Sports Centre in Spała	
-	18:00	Opening draw, Olympic Sports Centre in Spała	
Friday, November 12:	TBD*	Division B:	500m Women 500m Men 3000m Women 5000m Men
	16:00 - 19:16**	Division A:	500m Women 500m Men 3000m Women 5000m Men
Saturday, November 13:	TBD*	Division B:	500m Women 1500m Men 1000m Women Mass Start Men SF Team Pursuit Women*
	14:30 - 17:43**	Division A:	500m Women 1500m Men 1000m Women Mass Start Men Final Team Pursuit Women
Sunday, November 14:	TBD*	Division B:	500m Men 1500m Women 1000m Men Mass Start Women SF Team Pursuit Men*
	14:30 - 17:44**	Division A:	500m Men 1500m Women 1000m Men Mass Start Women Final Team Pursuit Men

^{*} The actual starting times and program for the B Division races will be announced during the Online Team leaders' meetings. For each distance, the races of Division A and the races of Division B are considered as two separate competitions with independent final classifications (list of results) for determining the awarding of World Cup points and prize money.

TRACK

A standard speed skating track of 400 meters to the lap laid out at Arena Lodowa, an artificially frozen indoor skating rink in Tomaszów Mazowiecki. The radii of the inner and outer competition lanes are 26 and 30 meters, respectively. The width of the inside warm-up lane is 4 meters.

ISU COVID-GUIDELINES

All participating teams MUST follow the ISU COVID-Guideline for the event: <u>File (isu.org)</u>. Detailed COVID protocol will be described in Team Information.

^{**} Estimated ending time.

ENTRIES

Entries for these competitions will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2425, paragraph 3.1.

Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events on www.isu.org, section Speed Skating or http://isu.events/login.php and respecting the following deadlines:

Accommodation Request	September 30, 2021
Preliminary entries	October 10, 2021
Arrival & Departure	October 31, 2021
Accreditation Request for Team Officials	November 08, 2021
Final Entries	November 08, 2021 – 12.00 noon (local time)

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 No. 1628, need to be strictly observed.

For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797 or any update of this Communications.

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.

According to ISU Communication No. 2425, the entry quotas (maximum number of entries per distance, subject to

the qualifying times criteria) for this competition are ISU **WOMEN** MEN ISU ISU Member Member Member **ARG ARG ARG AUT AUT AUT** BEL **BEL** BEL **BLR BLR BLR** CAN CAN CAN CHN CHN CHN DEN DEN DEN TPE TPE TPE **CZE** CZE CZE **EST EST EST** FIN FIN FIN **FRA FRA FRA GBR GBR GBR GER GER GER** HUN HUN HUN ITA ITA ITA JPN **JPN** JPN **KAZ** KAZ KAZ LAT LAT LAT **NED NED NED NOR** NOR NOR NZL NZL NZL 5* 5* 5* 5* 5* 5* 5* 5* POL POL POL **KOR KOR KOR** ROU ROU ROU RUS RUS RUS **ESP ESP ESP** SUI SUI SUL **SWE SWE SWE** USA **USA USA**

ISU Speed Skating Members not listed in the table above, may enter a maximum of 1 Skater for each distance and 2 Skaters for Mass Start in each gender.

All entered Skaters (incl. substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times for the respective distances according to the criteria given in Communication No. 2425, paragraph 3.1.2.

^{*} As hosting ISU Member

COMPETITION FORMAT AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR THE MASS START EVENTS

Mass Start races will be skated according to Rules 257, paragraph 2.1 b), 265 paragraph 6.3. b) in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2425, paragraphs 4.3 and 5.6, with distances of 16 laps for both Ladies and Men. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2195 or any further updates.

COMPETITION FORMAT FOR THE TEAM PURSUIT EVENTS

Team Pursuit races will be skated according to Rules 261, paragraph 1, 265 paragraph 5 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2425, paragraphs 4.2 and 5.7, with national teams of 3 Skaters each, and with distances of 6 laps for Ladies and 8 laps for Men. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2195 or any further updates.

GROUPING AND DRAWING PROCEDURES

The grouping and drawing of pairs will be made according to ISU Communication No. 2425, paragraph 5.

PRIZES AND POINTS

For each event, World Cup points and prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2425, paragraphs 6 and 7.2 accordingly.

ANTI-DOPING

Anti-Doping tests will be carried out according to the ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures, as given in the applicable ISU Communications Nos. 2344 and 2366 (or any further update of these Communications).

TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday, November 08, 2021. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, November 11, 2021, according to the training schedule.

Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

ISU Members may ask for changes in the training schedule latest by Friday, October 29, 2021. Decisions on changes' request will be taken by the Organizing Committee in consultation with the ISU.

LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Polish Speed Skating Association and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with the ISU World Cup Speed Skating. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

FACE MASKS

No advertising marking is allowed on face masks. Face masks may display one (1) manufacturer trademark/identification of maximum 8cm2. In addition, ISU Member's name and/or abbreviation and/or national flag and/or Skater's name may be displayed on the face mask.

ACCOMMODATION

Participating ISU Members will have to bear expenses for accommodation for all participating Skaters and team officials.

OFFICIAL HOTELS

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the teams in the following hotels:

1. Olympic Sports Centre in Spała (ul. Mościckiego 6, 97-214 Spała, Poland)

Single Room occupancy: 90, - Euro per person per night. Price including meals, drinks and all taxes. Double Room occupancy: 80, - Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks and all taxes.

2. Hotel Mościcki **** (ul. Nadpiliczna 2, 97-215 Spała, Poland)

Single Room occupancy: 115, - Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks and all taxes. Double Room occupancy: 95, - Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks and all taxes.

3. Hotel Prezydent *** (ul. Majora Hubala 15, 97-215 Spała, Poland)

Single Room occupancy: 110, - Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks and all taxes. Double Room occupancy: 95, - Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks and all taxes.

Payment: Cash in [PLN, EUR or USD] or credit card [VISA, Mastercard +2% handling charges].

All arrangements for accommodation must be made through the Organizing Committee

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

Based on the request entered in the ISU Online Entry System and availability the OC will prepare and send you the summary of accommodation costs. The OC may ask for the 50% prepayment to confirm your booking.

Cancellation policy:

Two weeks before arrival: 20%

• One week before arrival: 50%

Two days before arrival or no-show: 100%

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotels.

TRANSPORTATION

- 1. On request the Organizing Committee will provide bus transportation from Monday, November 08, until Monday, November 15, 2021 between Warsaw International Airport "Chopin" or Warsaw Central Railway Station and the official hotels for the price: 40. Euro / Person / one way.
- 2. The Organization Committee will provide free transportation for all participants between the official hotels and lee Arena during the competition days and the training periods, starting from Monday, November 08, 2021. Information about the date and time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials must be submitted via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events.

VISA REQUIREMENTS & COVID-19 PANDEMIC ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

Citizens from outside the EU (Schengen) may require visa to enter Poland. You may use the following link to check it.

Please contact the Polish Speed Skating Association if you need an invitation letter for the visa. Please submit the following information *:

- Name, Given Name and middle name as in passport
- Date of birth
- Nationality
- Passport Number
- Passport date of issue
- Passport date of expiry
- Arrival and Departure date
- * The requirements may vary for different countries so please refer to the respective consulate to learn specifically what information you need to put on the letter. The OC is happy to include any additional information in the invitation letter if you need it.

Please submit all this information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas completed in due time.

NOTE: Even if you do not need a visa, please submit to the OC full list of people who are coming to Poland including:

- Name, Given Name and middle name as in passport
- Date of birth
- Passport Number
- Vaccination Status

This must be submitted to the OC <u>10 days prior to your arrival at the latest</u> and will serve to issue a letter to exempt you from mandatory quarantine.

Furthermore, please note that all information regarding the Covid-19 pandemic-related travel & access restrictions/arrangements will be available in appendix to this announcement or by contacting events@pzls.pl.

ACCREDITATIONS

Only the following number of Team Officials can receive an accreditation:

Type	Number of accreditations per Competition
Team Leader	1 accreditation
Coaches, medical & technical staff	1 competitor* - 1 accreditation 2 to 3 competitors - 2 accreditations 4 to 6 competitors - 3 accreditations 7 to 9 competitors - 4 accreditations 10 to 11 competitors - 5 accreditations 12-13 competitors - 6 accreditations 14-15 competitors - 7 accreditations 16-17 competitors - 8 accreditations 18-19 competitors - 9 accreditations 20-21 competitors - 10 accreditationsetc.

^{*} Competitor = competing skater (substitutes excluded)

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE - MEDIA ACCREDITATION - INQUIRIES

Inquiries should be addressed only to the Organizing Committee or Polish Speed Skating Association at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

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WEBSITE

Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following websites: www.isu.org,

Official website

ISU "INSIDE EVENTS" MOBILE APPLICATION

Daily information, results and changes in schedules (race, training, transportation, etc.) will be communicated to the teams on the board of the Team Hotel as well as on the ISU "Inside Events" mobile application. This mobile application makes the information delivery faster, contains all relevant information for participants, reduce paper needs and notify participants in case of any changes or urgencies through push notification possibilities.

The "Inside Events" app is available free of charge on Android and Apple systems and is compatible with both tablets and smartphones. It can be downloaded with the below QR codes or directly on the app stores. Each ISU Event will have its own unique password that will be provided on site to participating Athletes, Officials, and Team Delegations.



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