



WORLD CUP
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ANNOUNCEMENT

CALGARY - Canada
Calgary Olympic Oval

10 - 12 December 2021

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On behalf of Speed Skating Canada
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 Olympic Oval in Calgary, Canada
on December 10-12, 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

Thursday, December 9:	16:30	Team leaders' meeting, Virtual	
	18:00	Medical meeting, Virtual	
	19:00	Opening draw, Virtual	
Friday, December 10:	TBC*	Division B	Women's 500m (1) Men's 500m (1)
	12:30	Division A	Women's 500m (1) Men's 500m (1) Women's 3000m Men's 5000m
	TBC*	Division B	Women's 3000m Men's 5000m
Saturday, December 11:	TBC*	Division B	Women's 500m (2) Men's Mass Start (Semi-Final)
	12:30	Division A	Women's 500m (2) Men's 1500m Women's 1000m Men's Mass Start (Final) Women's Team Pursuit
	TBC*	Division B	Men's 1500m Women's 1000m Women's Team Pursuit
Sunday, December 12:	TBC*	Division B	Men's 500m (2) Women's Mass Start (Semi-Final)
	12:30	Division A	Men's 500m (2) Women's 1500m Men's 1000m Women's Mass Start (Final) Men's Team Pursuit
	TBC*	Division B	Women's 1500m Men's 1000m Men's Team Pursuit*

*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 the Olympic Oval, an artificially frozen indoor skating rink in Calgary, Canada. The radii of the inner and outer competition lanes are 26 and 30 meters, respectively. The width of the inside warm-up lane is 5 meters.

COVID GUIDELINES

All participating teams MUST follow the [ISU COVID-Guideline](#) for the event. In addition to these guidelines, **all accredited persons for the event must provide proof of full vaccination with a COVID-19 vaccine approved by**

the World Health Organization or a national health authority to participate. Exemptions for participants who have a valid medical rationale for their non-vaccinated status will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Information on the proof of vaccination process, along with a detailed COVID protocol, will be described in the Team Information package.

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:

Participant Information Form	October 18, 2021
Preliminary Entries	November 10, 2021
Accommodation Request	November 13, 2021
Accreditation Request for Team Officials	November 13, 2021
Arrival & Departure	November 28, 2021
Final Entries	December 6 – 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 Member	WOMEN				ISU Member	MEN				ISU Member
	500	1000	1500	3000		500	1000	1500	5000	
ARG	2	1	1	1	ARG	1	1	1	1	ARG
AUT	2	2	1	2	AUT	1	2	2	2	AUT
BEL	3	2	2	2	BEL	1	2	3	2	BEL
BLR	3	3	3	4	BLR	3	3	2	2	BLR
CAN	5*	5*	5	5*	CAN	5*	5	5*	5*	CAN
CHN	5	4	4	4	CHN	3	2	3	1	CHN
DEN	1	1	1	1	DEN	1	1	1	3	DEN
TPE	2	2	1	1	TPE	1	1	1	1	TPE
CZE	2	2	3	3	CZE	1	1	1	1	CZE
EST	1	1	1	2	EST	2	2	1	1	EST
FIN	1	1	1	1	FIN	1	2	2	1	FIN
FRA	1	1	1	1	FRA	1	1	1	2	FRA
GBR	1	2	1	2	GBR	1	2	2	1	GBR
GER	3	4	3	4	GER	4	4	2	4	GER
HUN	1	1	1	1	HUN	1	2	2	1	HUN
ITA	1	1	3	3	ITA	4	2	4	4	ITA
JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN
KAZ	2	2	3	2	KAZ	3	4	4	4	KAZ
LAT	1	1	1	1	LAT	1	1	2	2	LAT
NED	5	5	5	5	NED	5	5	5	5	NED
NOR	3	3	4	4	NOR	4	5	5	4	NOR
NZL	1	1	1	1	NZL	1	1	2	3	NZL
POL	4	5	4	4	POL	4	3	3	3	POL
KOR	3	4	1	2	KOR	4	4	4	3	KOR
ROU	2	2	1	1	ROU	1	1	1	1	ROU
RUS	5	5	5	5	RUS	5	5	5	5	RUS
ESP	1	1	1	1	ESP	2	2	1	1	ESP
SUI	1	2	1	3	SUI	2	2	2	2	SUI

SWE	1	1	1	1	SWE	1	1	1	2	SWE
USA	4	4	4	2	USA	1	3	4	3	USA

**As hosting ISU Member*

ISU Speed Skating Members not listed in the table above, may enter a maximum of 1 Skater for each distance. 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.

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 Rule 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, December 6. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, December 9 (timing TBC). 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 November 26. 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, Speed Skating Canada 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.

Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events or by contacting Sara Colborne, Sales Manager, at salesmgr@alofcalgaryuniversity.com.

All rooms must be booked by November 13, 2021.

The cost of a room at the official hotels will be as follows (including all taxes):

Double/Traditional Queen (2 queen beds) or Traditional King (1 king bed)	\$129 CAD + 12.27% taxes = \$145 CAD
Atrium King (1 king bed plus pull-out couch)	\$139 CAD + 12.27% taxes = \$156 CAD

Price per room is for single to double occupancy (maximum of two people per room) and includes a hot buffet breakfast. Additional costs for lunch and dinner (including drinks) are as follows:

Lunch Buffet	\$23 CAD + 17% gratuity + 5% tax = \$28.06 CAD per person
Dinner Buffet	\$32 CAD + 17% gratuity + 5% tax = \$39.04 CAD per person

Cancellation policy: Cancellation of an individual room is required by 12pm (noon) one day prior to arrival in order to avoid a cancellation charge of one night's room & tax.

Payment: Cash in CAD or credit card (Visa, Mastercard, AMEX).

OFFICIAL HOTELS

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the teams and ISU officials in the following hotels. **Please note that all accredited participants are required to stay at one of the official hotels.**

Best Western Plus Village Park Inn

1804 Crowchild Trail NW
Calgary, AB T2M 3Y7
Telephone: +1 (403) 289-0241
Toll Free: +1 (888) 774-7716
www.villageparkinn.com

Aloft Calgary University

2359 Banff Trail NW
Calgary, AB T2M 4L2
Telephone: +1 (888) 627-8557
www.aloftcalgary.com

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

TRANSPORTATION

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.

Airport Transfer

The Organizing Committee is available to help coordinate transportation from Sunday, December 5, 2021 to Monday, December 13, 2021 from and to the Calgary International Airport.

The fee for arrival and departure transfer (both ways) is \$50 CAD (\$34 EUR) per person. Transportation must be booked by [completing the online form](#) for each separate trip (group arriving or departing at the same time) **no later than November 28, 2021**. Teams will be invoiced for this service prior to the event.

Teams wishing to arrange their own transfer may consider the following options:

- Taxi: transfer from the Calgary International Airport to the official hotels is approximately \$40 CAD (\$27 EUR) one way
- Car rental: information is available at [this link](#)

Note that free parking is available at the hotels, but parking at the Olympic Oval will be self-paid for teams who choose to rent a car.

Shuttle Bus

A shuttle service will be available between the official hotels and the Olympic Oval throughout official training and competition (beginning on Monday, December 6). Masking and physical distancing protocols will be in place on the shuttle buses.

VISA REQUIREMENTS & COVID-19 PANDEMIC ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact Speed Skating Canada at worldcup@speedskating.ca if you need an invitation letter for the visa.

In order to facilitate entry to Canada, all teams are requested to submit participant information using the provided form **no later than October 18, 2021**. All skaters, coaches and team staff who may request an accreditation must be included.

Please submit all this information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas and entry restriction exemptions completed in due time. For more information on the current entry requirements to Canada, please visit the following links.

- Government of Canada – [COVID-19: Travel, testing, quarantine and borders](#) (general entry requirements)
- Government of Canada – [Authorization for individuals travelling to Canada for International Single Sport Events](#) (exemptions to be requested by Organizing Committee for participant who do not meet the general entry requirements to Canada)

Additional information or clarifications regarding the Covid-19 pandemic-related travel & access restrictions/arrangements is available by contacting the Organizing Committee (see below).

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 accreditations ..etc.

* Competitor = competing skater (substitutes excluded)

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE – MEDIA ACCREDITATION – INQUIRIES

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

Organizing Committee

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WEBSITE

Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following website(s):

www.isu.org
www.speedskating.ca

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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