

 **Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating 2022/23**



# Spring Cup 2023

*27<sup>th</sup> edition*

**Sesto San Giovanni, Milan - Italy  
February 17-19, 2023**

**Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating 2022/23**  
for Junior and Senior categories  
under the authorization of the  
**INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION**



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# ANNOUNCEMENT



## 1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

The **Spring Cup 2023** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2022, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2022, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **Spring Cup 2023** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 4 and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 2030 or any update of this Communication.

All Teams must be entered through their respective ISU Member Federation.

## 2. CHALLENGER SERIES IN SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

The **Spring Cup 2023** is part of the Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating 2022/23 and will be conducted in accordance with additional requirements as specified in the General Announcement for the Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating 2022/23 as well as ISU Communication 2458.

If the requirements specified in the above-mentioned documents are fulfilled the event will count towards ISU World Standing Points, Minimum Total Technical Score, ISU Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating Ranking.

There is a limitation for the Teams to two (2) participations in the events of the Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating.

### CHALLENGER SERIES IN SYNCHRONIZED SKATING RANKING

At the end of the Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating, after the last event of the season has been concluded, the highest final score in the up to two (2) different Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating events of each Team will be added and taken into consideration to form a Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating Ranking which will be published on the ISU website.

## 3. TECHNICAL DATA

<b>PLACE</b>	<b>Main arena: PalaSesto</b> (an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 30 x 56 m, heated)
	<b>Practice arena: PalaSesto</b> (an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 30 x 56 m, heated)



<b>JUNIOR</b>	Short Program	Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds, but may be less,  The General Short Program Elements and requirements are listed in Rule 991, paragraphs 1 a), 2 and 3, Rule 992, paragraphs 1 a), 2 and 3 a). The Short Program Elements and Requirements to be skated for Season 2022/23 are listed in ISU Communication 2471.
	Free Skating	Duration: 3 minutes and 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds  The Well Balanced Program Requirements are listed in Rule 991, paragraphs 1 b), 2 and 4, Rule 992, paragraph 1 b), 2 and 3 c). The Free Skating Elements and Requirements to be skated for Season 2022/23 are listed in ISU Communication 2471.
<b>SENIOR</b>	Short Program	Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds, but may be less,  The General Short Program Elements and requirements are listed in Rule 991, paragraphs 1 a), 2 and 3, Rule 992, paragraphs 1 a), 2 and 3 a). The Short Program Elements and Requirements to be skated for Season 2022/23 are listed in ISU Communication 2471.
	Free Skating	Duration: 4 minutes +/- 10 seconds  The Well Balanced Program Requirements are listed in Rule 991, paragraphs 1 b), 2 and 4, Rule 992, paragraph 1 b), 2 and 3 c). The Free Skating Elements and Requirements to be skated for Season 2022/23 are listed in ISU Communication 2471.

## 4. ENTRIES

### 4.1 General

All Entries must be made by the ISU Member concerned based on the regulations for the Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating 2022/23.

All entries for the Spring Cup 2023, must be done through the **ISU Online Registration System (ORS)** by the deadline indicated. Hotel and travel information should also be entered into ORS, as well as bank information. Declarations will need to be uploaded to the ORS as well.

Each ISU Member may enter up to two (2) Teams per category (maximum n. 2 Junior and n. 2 Senior teams). The host ISU Member may enter up to three (3) Teams per category.

### 4.2 Preliminary Entries

The preliminary entries must reach the Organizer by latest: **November 25<sup>th</sup>** by entering the information through ORS.



#### 4.3 Entries by Name

##### 4.3.1 Entries of Teams

Participation is open to all Teams of ISU Members.

The Entries by names must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS):

<https://fms.sportresult.com/isu>

and will be submitted via the ORS simultaneously to the:

**O.C. SPRING CUP c/o  
Precision Skating Milano**  
Street: Via Mazzini n.18  
City: 20061 Carugate (MI)  
fax: +39 039 9716 559  
e-mail: [oc@springcup.it](mailto:oc@springcup.it)

and to:

ISU Secretariat  
e-mail: [entries@isu.ch](mailto:entries@isu.ch)

not later than: **Tuesday, January 3 nd, 2022, 20:00 (Central European (Rome) Time, UTC +1).**

Team entries by names not preceded by the respective preliminary entries will not be accepted.

##### 4.3.2 Entries of Judges

Each participating ISU Member has the right to nominate one (1) judge who has at least the qualification "Judge for International Competitions". The host ISU Member may nominate two (2) Judges.

In case of too many nominated judges the organizer will draw the panel of judges immediately after the closing date for the entries. The result of such draw will be communicated to all ISU Members involved in writing immediately after the conclusion of such draw.

The Entries of Judges must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) not later than: **Tuesday, January 3 nd, 2022, 20:00 (Central European (Rome) Time, UTC +1).**

Each panel of Judges will consist of at least 7 Judges. In exceptional cases and if there is no possibility to compose a panel of judges with at least 7 Judges, the ISU Vice-President Figure Skating may exceptionally authorize the panel in question to have a minimum of 6 Judges.

In case that at the time of the competition more Judges will be available and entered as required to compose the panels of Judges, the Organizing Member in consultation with the ISU will conduct on site, a draw for the panel of judges for the first segment. The Judges, not drawn for the first segment will be seated for the second segment.

The panel for the second segment (Free Skating) will in this case be completed by an open draw amongst the Judges serving in the first segment.



#### 4.3.3 Entries of Team Members

Official entries of Team Leaders, Assistant Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff and Coaches and the partner or relative of a Judge will be accepted. Accreditation will be provided to those who are officially accepted by the Organizer.

Please be advised that only one Coach per Team will be accredited. An Assistant Team Leader will be accepted. Only one Team Official of each Member, including the Member President provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation, will be accredited. Not more than one (1) Team Doctor and one (1) Team Physiotherapist will be accepted as the Team Medical Staff, for which the organizer requests the right to have a medical certification (document) presented before accreditation. The Member Federations guarantee that the requested accreditation of Team Members will correspond to their function within the team and the Federation.

The names of all team members must be submitted via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) and must reach the Organizing Committee and the ISU Secretariat not later than : **Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, 20:00 (Central European (Rome) Time, UTC +1)**

#### 4.4 Entry Fee

The fixed Entry fee for Spring Cup 2023 will be:

**SENIOR and JUNIOR TEAMS**

**€ 550,00**

**Please note: Entry fee payment does not include any extra practice ice.**

Be sure to book your extra practice ice as soon as possible to be better served (see **Form 6**)

**EXPIRY DATE OF ENTRY FEE PAYMENT IS JANUARY 2<sup>rd</sup> 2023**

**EXPIRY DATE OF EXTRA ICE PAYMENT IS JANUARY 6<sup>th</sup> 2023**

**All payments are to be made through BANK TRANSFER only, to the following account:**

Account Holder:	<b>ASD PRECISION SKATING MILANO</b>
Name of Bank:	<b>UNICREDIT</b>
Address of the Bank:	<b>Viale Casiraghi n. 54 – SESTO SAN GIOVANNI (MI)</b>
ACCOUNT NUMBER:	<b>000103527922PRECISION SKATING MILANO</b>
IBAN:	<b>IT-06-N-02008-20702-0001-0352-7922</b>
SWIFT CODE:	<b>UNCRITM101N</b>

**Clearly point out: "SPRING CUP 2023 / NAME of the TEAM / CATEGORY / COUNTRY" on all payments.**

Commissions and any bank transaction fee will be at your charge and have to be paid directly to the bank. **Organizing Committee must receive the net amount of entry fees.**

**A copy of the effected payments has to be sent as soon as possible to the following e.mail address: [oc@springcup.it](mailto:oc@springcup.it)**

**The Team registration will be valid only after Entry fee payment.**

**No refund will be made in case of withdraw from the Event after January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023.**

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- > **Bring copy of bank currency transfer in order to facilitate registration procedure at HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\***
- > **NO credit cards or bank checks will be accepted.**
- > **Cash payment (in Euro) or travel checks will be allowed.**

**The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason.**

**The entries of teams will be accepted only if anticipated through the Preliminary Entry form.**



## 5. APPOINTED EVENT OFFICIAL

This Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating event will follow the requirements of the General Announcement for the Challenger Series in Synchronized Skating 2022/23 as well as ISU Communication 2458 and principles of Rule 910, paragraph 5.a) of the ISU Special Regulations Synchronized Skating 2022 for appointing the event officials.

The members of each individual Technical Panel (Technical Controller and the Technical Specialists) will not be from the same ISU Member. At least two (2) Technical Panel members will have the qualification "ISU", however one of the three members may have the qualification "International".

The Referee will have at least the qualification "International" and could be of the same ISU Member as one member of the Technical Panel (Technical Controller and Technical Specialists).

The Data Operator and the Replay Operator will have at least the qualification "International".

## 6. MEALS, LODGING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists, the Data and Replay Operators and Judges participating, beginning with dinner on **17 02 2023** until breakfast on **20 02 2023**.

Should any of the above-mentioned persons arrive at the hotel before or stay longer than the period described above, their room costs and expenses will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid on arrival.

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

## 7. PRACTICE

Official practice for Competitors begins on Thursday, **Saturday 19 February in Palasesto Arena**. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

<b>Short Program</b>		<b>Free Skating</b>	
Senior ISU	10 minutes	Senior ISU	12 minutes
Junior ISU	10 minutes	Junior ISU	12 minutes

### **UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE**

Unofficial Practice Ice for all Teams will take place from **Wednesday 16th to Friday 17th**.

A minimum of one block (15 min) of Unofficial Practice Ice will be assured (on request) to all Teams in Palasesto Arena, in order to let each participating Team practice ice at the main ice rink.

Any further reservation requested by Teams will be allocated either in Palasesto Arena or in alternative rink according on availability, and **will be arranged on "first come, first served" basis**.



## 8. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD in any other approved format, in accordance with Rule 823, paragraph 2. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating Program must be listed for each Team on the official Music Selection Form and attached to the official Entry Form for Teams.

In accordance with Rule 823, paragraph 2, all covers/discs must show the Competition event, Team's name, the Nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program and free skating) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition, Teams must provide a back-up drive for each program.

If music information is not complete and/or the music is not provided, accreditation will not be given.

With the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet be filled in precisely by each Team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

## 9. ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS / TEAMS

The nearest airports to Milano Sesto San Giovanni are:

- **Milano Linate Airport** with a distance of **13 km** to the official hotel.
- **Orio al Serio Airport - Bergamo** with a distance of **43 km** to the official hotel.
- **Malpensa Airport** with a distance of **53 km** to the official hotel.

Free transfer from/to Airport, from/to Palasesto Arena and from/to Hotel will be granted to the nominated Judges, invited Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data/Replay Operators.

Teams wishing to arrange transfer from/to Airport, from/to the Ice rink or any other transfer requirement necessity are kindly requested to contact the following bus company:

### **AUTOSERVIZI PEREGO S.N.C.**

ref. Ms. Maria Grazia Tonghini

**Phone: +39 3489017185**

**Email: [autoserviziperego@tin.it](mailto:autoserviziperego@tin.it)**

## 10. OFFICIAL HOTEL(S)

Accommodation for participating Teams is at their own expense.

**HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\* in Sesto San Giovanni (Milan)** is the **Official HOTEL of Spring Cup 2023.**

### **HOTEL ABACUS\*\*\*\***

Via Monte Grappa, 39, 20099 Sesto San Giovanni (MI), at 5 minutes walk from Palasesto Arena

Phone: +39 02 2622 5858 Fax +39 02-2622 5860

Email: [info@abacushotel.it](mailto:info@abacushotel.it) ref. Mrs. **CRISTINA BRAVIN**

WebSite: [www.abacushotel.it](http://www.abacushotel.it)

Organizing Committee will take charge of Hotel ABCUS reservation for: Referees, Judges, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data/Replay Operators.

The Hotel is located at a walking distance to the ice rink and therefore no shuttle bus will be provided to the Officials

**Booking requests have to be sent by latest Friday, January 2nd, 2023.**



## 11. ACCREDITATION

The official accreditation for Teams is planned at the ICE RINK upon arrival.

Accreditation as a Team Member will be given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team Leader per participating team, one Coach per Team, a maximum of two Team Officials of ISU Members (including the Member President), provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation and a maximum of two medical persons. Accreditation will only be granted to persons in those various functions if officially entered and named through their ISU Member. **The ISU Member certifies with the signed entry form the indicated functions within the team of all team members. Any misuse of any function will be sanctioned by the ISU/OC.**

Accreditation will be given to appointed Event Officials and Guests.

## 12. RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in ISU Technical Rule Synchronized Skating 2022, Rule 842 and Rule 843 (Determination and publication of results) will be used.

## 13. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS AND PRIZES

The three best placed Teams in each event will be announced and honored. Bronze, silver and gold medals will be presented to the medalists, in this order. The national anthem of the winners will be played and the flags of the medal winners hoisted.

## 14. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole obligation of each Member participating in ISU Events, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The ISU and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

## 15. MEETINGS FOR ISU EVENT OFFICIALS AND JUDGES

All Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operators and Judges are responsible to make their travel arrangements in order to be able to attend the respective event related meetings. If any other party makes the flight arrangements, the Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operators and the Judges are responsible to check if such arrangements are in line with the detailed schedule as mentioned under paragraph 17.

## 16. INFORMATION AND VARIOUS

For information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

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City: 20061 Carugate (MI)  
fax: +39 039 9716 559  
e-mail: [oc@springcup.it](mailto:oc@springcup.it)



## EVENT SCHEDULE

### Thursday, February 16th 2023

- h. 14:00÷20:00 Official Registration at **HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\***  
Sesto San Giovanni

### Friday, February 17th 2023

- h. 08:00÷14:00 Official Registration at **HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\***
- h. 17:00÷18:15 Initial Judges Meeting (Referees and Judges) at  
**HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\*** Sesto San Giovanni
- h. 18:30÷19:00 Official Draw at **HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\*** Sesto San Giovanni
- h. 19:15÷19:45 Meeting for Referees, Technical Controller, Technical Specialists and  
Data/Replay Operators at **HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\***
- h. 20.30 Officials' Dinner for Judges/Referees/Technical Controller/Technical  
Specialists/Data-Replay Operators - T.B.A.

### Saturday, February 18th 2023

- h. 08:00÷09:30 Official Practice Junior Short Program
- h. 09:50÷12:30 Official Practice Senior Short Program
  
- h. 14.00÷14:30 Opening Ceremony (Palasesto Arena)
- h. 14:30÷16:40 **Junior Short Program Event**
- h. 17:00÷19:00 **Senior Short Program Event**

### Sunday, February 19th 2023

- h. 07:00÷08.30 Official Practice Junior Free Skating
- h. 08:50÷11:30 Official Practice Senior Free Skating
  
- h. 14.00÷16.00 **Junior Free Skating Event**
- h. 16:20÷18:30 **Senior Free Skating Event**
- h. 18:45÷19:15 Award Ceremony
- h. 19.15÷19:45 Technical Panel Review Meeting for Junior/Senior  
(Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data/Replay Operators) at  
the ICE RINK (Technical Panel Room)
- h. 21:00÷23:00 Round Table Discussion for Junior/Senior (Referees and  
Judges) at **HOTEL ABACUS \*\*\*\*** in Sesto San Giovanni

**Please note: This is a tentative schedule of events. It's subject to changes and will be updated in accordance with the final number of participating teams.**

**FORMS AND DEADLINES**

<b>Form</b>		<b>Deadline</b>
1	Preliminary Entry Form	25/11/2022
2	Team Entry	02/01/2023
3	Team Contact	02/01/2023
4	Entry Form for Judges	02/01/2023
5	Team Travel and Hotel Form	02/01/2023
6	Payment Summary Entry Fee and Extra ICE	02/01/2023 - 06/01/2023
7	Medical Notification Skater Health Care	Time of registration
Letter	Visa Request	<b>As soon as possible</b>