

Essent ISU World Sprint Championships

Announcement

Saturday, January 26 & Sunday, January 27, 2013 Ladies and Mens Sprint - Competition start 1:00 p.m.









On behalf of The Utah Olympic Oval & US Speedskating, the Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

ESSENT 🛞 WORLD SPRINT SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS[®] 2013

which will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA on January 26 & 27, 2013.

PROGRAM

| Friday, January 25 | 16:00 18:00 | Team Leaders Meeting, Hilton SLC Airport Opening Draw, Hilton SLC Airport |
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| Saturday, January 26 | 13:00 | 500 m Ladies 500 m Men 1000 m Ladies 1000 m Men Drawing for Sunday's distances |
| Sunday, January 27 | 13:00 | 500 m Ladies 500 m Men 1000 m Ladies 1000 m Men Awarding Ceremony on the ice |

REGULATIONS

The Essent ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2013 will be held in accordance with the 2012 Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU) and relevant ISU Communications, in particular ISU Communication No. 1754. Participation in the Championships is open to skaters who belong to an ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 1) and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 1754.

TRACK

Utah Olympic Oval is an indoor artificial 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 Championships are the Skaters with the lowest total of points after 4 distances have been completed (Rule 265, paragraph 2 and 268, paragraph 1).

The winner will bear the title: "Lady World Sprint Speed Skating Champion for 2013" and "World Sprint Speed Skating Champion for 2013", respectively (Rule 133, paragraph b), and will each be awarded the ISU Championships gold medal. The Skaters placed second and third in the final classification after 4 distances will be awarded the ISU Championships silver and bronze medals, respectively.

Prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 1509.

ENTRIES

Entries must be made only through the respective ISU Members using the official ISU entry forms (Rule 131, paragraph 1) according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 1754. Each ISU Member may enter maximum 1 Lady and 1 Man, subject to achieved qualifying times as defined in ISU Communication No. 1754. According to ISU Communication No. 1751 and Rule 208, paragraph 6, the following ISU Members have the right to enter more than one Competitor per category:

| Ladies | | | |
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| Belarus | 2 competitors | Kazakhstan | 2 competitors |
| Canada | 2 competitors | Netherlands | 4 competitors |
| China | 4 competitors | Republic of Korea | 2 competitors |
| Czech Republic | 2 competitors | Russia | 3 competitors |
| Germany | 3 competitors | USA | 3 competitors |
| Japan | 3 competitors | | |
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| Men | | | |
| Australia | 2 competitors | Latvia | 2 competitors |
| Canada | 4 competitors | Netherlands | 4 competitors |
| Finland | 2 competitors | Norway | 2 competitors |
| France | 2 competitors | Poland | 2 competitors |
| Germany | 2 competitors | Republic of Korea | 3 competitors |
| Italy | 2 competitors | Russia | 4 competitors |
| Japan | 3 competitors | USA | 2 competitors |
| Kazakhstan | 2 competitors | | |

Each ISU Member may enter substitutes corresponding with the number of ordinary entries.

The Preliminary entry with the number of Competitors & substitutes and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and team leader must be communicated to the Organizing Committee at the latest by Tuesday, January 8 (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Final entries including the names of the Competitors and available substitutes, as well as the names of the team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is required must reach the Organizing Committee by letter, fax or electronic mail at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on Wednesday, January 23 (See Rule 208, paragraph 9).

Please note that for all persons entered by the 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 and 208

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 1420, all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

DRAWING

The drawings will be made in accordance with Rules 239. For grouping and drawing Rule 242, paragraphs 1 and 2 apply.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Code (ISU Communications No. 1693, 1694, 1765 and 1766 or any further updates of these Communications).

LIABILITY

In accordance with the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, The Utah Olympic Oval, US Speedskating, and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with this Championship. Each 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 21, 2013. Trial starts will be organized on Friday, January 25, 2013. Only accredited competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

BOARD AND LODGING

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel from lunch on Friday January 25, 2013 until lunch on Monday January 28, 2013 (Rule 137 paragraphs 10 and 14) for all Competitors participating in the Championships and 1 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 own expense.

Please make all hotel arrangements directly with Ann Pearson at the Utah Olympic Oval prior to January 2, 2013.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Competitors and team staff members at the:

Hilton Salt Lake City Airport Hotel 5151 Wiley Post Way Salt Lake City, UT 84116 +801-539-1515 www.hiltonslc.com

and for ISU Officials and Guests at the:

Embassy Suites West Valley 3524 South Market Street West Valley City, UT 84119 +801-963-4760 http://embassywvc.com/

Hotel prices:

Single room with full board for 1 person – US \$169 per person Double room with full board for 2 persons – US \$110.50 per person

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday, January 21, 2013 to Monday, January 28, 2013 from and to the Salt Lake City International Airport and the official hotel. Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service.

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice-rink from Monday, January 21, 2013 until Sunday, January 27, 2013.

The Organizing Committee must be informed about the date and time of arrival and departure of the competitors and officials as soon as possible, but at the latest by Wednesday, January 2, 2013.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact Ann Pearson at the Utah Olympic Oval, via the contact information below if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

Country/Federation, Dates, Names, Birthdates and Passport Numbers

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

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

All entries, hotel reservation and other inquiries should be addressed to:

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MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Media accreditation request should be addressed to:

Utah Olympic Oval Attn: Kari Holt Larson Telephone:(+1) 801.608.2824 Fax: (+1) 801.963.7112 Email: ovalpressofficer@olyparks.com

To access the ISU Online Media Accreditation System please visit www.isu.org and select "Media Accreditation" on the top right of the home page. Alternatively go directly to http://www.wingsmedia.it/isu/

WEB SITE

Results and other information concerning the competition will be available at the following website: www.utaholympiclegacy.com