

ANNOUNCEMENT



2014 OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES
QUALIFYING COMPETITION

PalaTazzoli
Torino

November 7th. to 10th. 2013



On behalf of Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio, the Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to a competition in the

SAMSUNG ISU WORLD CUP SHORT TRACK 2013-2014
*which will be held at the **PalaTazzoli - Via Sanremo 67***
Torino, Italy
on November 7th to 10th 2013

This competition will serve as **Qualifying event for the Olympic Winter Games 2014**

GENERAL REGULATIONS

The competitions will be conducted in accordance with the 2012 ISU Regulations and relevant Communications. Participation is open to all ISU Members. This competition is part of the Samsung ISU World Cup Short Track Speed Skating 2013/2014.

DISTANCES

Individual: 500, 1000, 1500 meters Ladies and Men

Relay: 3000 meters Ladies, 5000 meters Men

PROGRAM

Detailed distance program can be found in ISU Communication No. 1802, paragraph 3.

Wednesday November 6 th .	08:00*	Official Practice Official Opening
Thursday November 7 th .	08:00*	Qualifying Session (individual)
Friday November 8 th .	08:00*	Qualifying Session (individual and relay)
Saturday November 9 th .	08:30* 14:00*	Qualifying Session (individual) World Cup Session
Sunday November 10 th .	10:30* 14:00*	Qualifying Session (individual) World Cup Session

*** Times may change depending on the number of entries**

TRACK CONDITIONS

The "PalaTazzoli" is a sport complex with two artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface of 60 x 30 meters. Protective padding covers the boards in accordance with Rule 280 – paragraph 5 and ISU Communication No. 1726.

The standard track will be laid out 111.12 meters to the lap.

ENTRIES

a) Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System at:

<http://www.shorttrackonline.info/entry.php.?country=ISU>

b) Entries with the numbers of Competitors, substitutes, coaches & team leader and requirements of accommodation, visa and meals service must be submitted by

SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2013

ISU Members failing to comply in time with these requirements will receive no support from the Organizing Committee for:

- *HOTEL BOOKING;*
- *TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL AND RETURN;*
- *TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FROM HOTEL TO ICE RINK AND RETURN;*
- *PREFERRED TIMES FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS*

All these costs and many additional costs incurred will be for the full account of the ISU Members concerned.

c) Final Entries must reach the Organizing Committee using the Online Entry System no later than **November 2nd. 2013** (see ISU Communication 1802, paragraph 4), and the following information must be communicated to the Organizing Committee:

- Names of the Competitors and substitutes per category with their International Registration Numbers;
- Names of the Competitors for each of the respective individual distances;
- Confirmation of participation in the Relay

Final Entries that do not comply with these requirements are considered Post Entries. See Rule 115.

d) Competitors must be present in Torino at the latest at 18:00 hours on **Wednesday 6th. 2013** or the Organizing Committee must receive documented proof that the competitors are in transit and will arrive in due time for the World Cup Competition. Competitors who do not comply with these requirements will be excluded

e) 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 No. 1628 need to be strictly observed.

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

ITALY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

All entries in Italy must provide a valid passport at time of entry for all the Countries out of "Schengen Agreement". Some Countries may have to obtain a Visa in order to enter the Italy. Letters of invitation for those requiring a Visa should be requested to Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio such in advance of the event in order to allow time for processing.

CITIZENSHIPS/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 procedure an ISU Clearance Certificate.

SEEDING PROCEDURE

The make-up of the first qualifying round of each distance shall be based on the current distance ranking following the principles of Rule 296, of the 2012 ISU Regulations. Progression to subsequent qualifying rounds shall be according to Rule 295, paragraph 2.

WORLD CUP POINTS

The points scoring at the World Cup Competition is made in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1802 paragraph 10.

ANTI DOPING

Anti-Doping test will be carried out according to the ISU Anti-Doping Code, as given in the applicable ISU Communications. (ISU Communications Nos. 1693, 1694, 1765 and 1800 or later updates).

A team will be at the Hotel Rivoli to promote the Clean Skaters campaign and to answer any questions related to Anti-doping. All Skaters and members of the Skating Family are invited to pass by.

ICE TRAINING

The Organizing Committee will arrange free ice training on **Wednesday November 6th 2013** for all participating teams. Extra practices will be provided from **Monday 4th** and **Tuesday 5th 2013**. Each training session (50 mins) will be charged 120,00 Euro. If two or more teams agree to share one training session, both (all) of them can share the cost.

LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the International Skating Union, the Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the ISU World Cup Short Track Speed Skating Competition.

Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

ACCOMODATION

The official hotel for the Teams, Team Officials, ISU Office Holders, ISU Event Officials and Judges is:

RIVOLI HOTEL

CORSO PRIMO LEVI, 150 - 10090 RIVOLI (TO) - ITALY

Tel: + 39 011 9566586 / 9533761 / 9532246

Fax: +39 011 9531338

<http://www.rivolihotel.it>

All participants should bear their own expenses for accommodation.

The cost of a room at the official hotel is as follows:

Single Room:	€ 77,00*	(per night, including breakfast)
Double Room:	€ 97,00*	(per night, including breakfast)
Triple Room:	€ 115,00*	(per night, including breakfast)

*all taxes included

The Teams, Coaches and Team Officials shall cover and pay their expenses for the hotel rooms and meals. The hotel rooms at the Official Hotel shall be reserved **only and directly to the Organizing Committee** by **September 26th 2013**. The request shall include a preferred rooming list (by number – not by names).

The Official Hotel will not reserve rooms without the authorization of the Organizing Committee.

Hotel will be reserved on the first come – first serve basis.

MEAL SERVICE TEAMS

The Teams, Coaches and Team officials are encouraged to utilize the meal service negotiated by the Organizing Committee. The use of the services is upon Teams' discretion and at their own cost and to pre-order their lunches and dinners through the Organizing Committee.

The following caterers (self service) is recommended:

- **Ristorante “RISTOBAR”** at the PalaTazzoli Ice Rink
 - single cost of **Euro 15,00 LUNCH** and/or **DINNER**
- **Ristorante “IL FIORE”** at the the Rivoli hotel
 - single cost of **Euro 20,00 DINNER**

Methods of payment:

Bank transfer, Euro or Credit Cards.

The Organizing Committee is requesting the **transfer of 50%** of board and lodging costs until **October 10, 2013** (based on the Teams' request sent to the OC a Pro-Forma will be sent for the teams with all banking details) unless the requested number and type of rooms cannot be guaranteed.

All arrangements for accommodations must be made through the Organizing Committee

The official hotel for Media is:

HOTEL IDEA TORINO MIRAFIORI

VIA PAOLO GAIDANO 113

10137 TORINO

ITALY

Tel: + 39 011 08255

Fax: +39 02 49522171

<http://www.ideahotel.it/web/guest/idea-hotel-torino-mirafiori>

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from “Sandro Pertini” International Airport Torino-Caselle and the Official Hotel, from **Monday 4th** to **Monday 11th November, 2013**.

The Organizing Committee will also provide transportation between the official hotel and “PalaTazzoli” ice rink during the competition days and the training periods, starting from **Monday November 4th, 2013**

Expenses for team officials, who do not accompany their team members, are to be borne by themselves.

The date, airline, flight number, expected time of arrival and the date and time of departure should be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but not later than **September 26th, 2013**.

Please include the amount of special equipment (e.g. bicycles, massage tables, etc.) that needs to be transported

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

All entries, accommodation, travel request and other requests, as well as other inquiries should be addressed as soon as possible to:

FEDERAZIONE ITALIANA SPORT DEL GHIACCIO

Palazzo delle Federazioni Sportive
Via G.B. Piranesi 46 - 20137 Milano
Tel. +39.02.70141314 – 318 – 325
Fax +39.02.70107226 – 02.70141365
e-mail: wcowgtorino@fisg.it
web: <http://www.fisg.it/>

Media accreditation request should be addressed to:

FEDERAZIONE ITALIANA SPORT DEL GHIACCIO

Palazzo delle Federazioni Sportive
Via G.B. Piranesi 46
20137 Milano
To the attention Mr. Massimo Maggi
e-mail: ufficiostampa@fisg.it

WEB SITE

All information concerning the competition will be available at the following Event website:

www.fisg.it

Live Results will be available at the following website:

<http://shorttrack.sportresult.com/>