



ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2016 Seoul, Korea

Announcement

February 27-28, 2016 Ice Rink "Taereung International Skating Rink" Seoul, Korea

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which will be held in Seoul, Republic of Korea on February 27 – 28, 2016.

PROGRAM

DATE TIME EVENT 16:00 Friday, February 26 Team Leaders Meeting, Sheraton Walker Hill 17:00 Opening Draw, Sheraton Walker Hill Saturday, February 27 17:00 500 m Ladies 500 m Men 1000 m Ladies 1000 m Men Drawing for Sunday's distances 17:00 500 m Ladies Sunday, February 28 500 m Men 1000 m Ladies 1000 m Men Awards Ceremony

REGULATIONS

The ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2016will be held in accordance with the 2014Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU) and relevant ISU Communications, in particular ISU Communication No.1964.

Participation in the Championships is open to skaters who belong to an ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 1) that has been allocated quota place(s) for the Championships, and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 1964.

TRACK

Taereung International Skating Rink is an indoor artificially frozen 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 5 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 2016" and "World Sprint Speed Skating Champion for 2016", 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.1976, or any further update of this Communication.

ENTRIES

Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events available at www.isu.org, section Speed Skating or at www.k4sport.ru/login.php.

According to ISU Communication No. 1956and Rule 208, paragraph 6, the following ISU Members have been pre-allocated entry quotas based on results from the ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2015:

Ladies

Austria	1 competitor	Kazakhstan	1 competitor
China	2 competitors	Netherlands	2 competitors
Czech Republic	1 competitor	Republic of Korea	1 competitor
Germany	1 competitor	Russia	2 competitors
Japan	2 competitors	USA	2 competitors

Men

Canada	1 competitor	Norway	2 competitors
Finland	1 competitor	Poland	1 competitor
Germany	1 competitor	Republic of Korea	1 competitor*
Italy	1 competitor	Russia	2 competitors
Kazakhstan	2 competitors	USA	2 competitors
Netherlands	2 competitors		

^{*} as hosting ISU Member

Additional quota places up to the total of 32 quota places per gender (with a maximum of 3 competitors per Member) will be allocated based on results at ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competition in Stavanger, NOR, on January 29-31, 2016. See ISU Communication No. 1962 for details. The actual entry quotas will be communicated by the ISU to the ISU Members concerned in due time before the deadline for final entries.

The Preliminary entry with the number of Competitors 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 February 9, 2016 (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Final entries including the names of the Competitors and substitute(s) available to compete (maximum one (1) substitute per gender), as well as the names of the team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is requested must reach the Organizing Committee at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on February 24, 2016 (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, 208 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797.

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 Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1871, 1872, 1922and 1970or any further updates of these Communications).

LIABILITY

In accordance with the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, Korea Skating Union 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, February 22, 2016. Only accredited competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours. Trial starts will be organised on Friday, February 26, 2016.

BOARD AND LOADGING

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel from lunch on Friday, February 26 until lunch on Monday, February 29, 2016 (Rule 137 paragraphs 10 and 14) for all Competitors participating in the Championships and 1 team leader or coach for each participating 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.

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

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the following hotel.

Sheraton Walker Hill

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Hotel prices: (including all taxes):

Single room for 1 person – KRW 133,100 / approximate US\$ 115 / per room a day Double room for 2 persons – KRW 133,100 / approximate US\$ 115 / per room a day

Breakfast for all rooms – KRW 27,830 / approximate US\$ 24 / per person per meal Lunch for all rooms – KRW 43,000 / approximate US\$ 37 / per person per meal Dinner for all rooms – KRW 48,000 / approximate US\$ 41 / per person per meal

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday, February 22 to Tuesday, March 1, 2016 from and to the Incheon International Airport. 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, February 22, 2016.

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, February 9, 2016.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact the Korea Skating Union if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

- Country/Federation, Dates, Names, Birthdays, Passport Numbers, Citizenship
- Country where the visa will be obtained

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 requestsfor ISU Championships mustbe submitted via the ISU Online Media Accreditation System http://www.wingsmedia.it/isu/

Information for the media will be available on the ISU website in due time.

For further information contact the OC Press Officer:

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WEB SITE

Information concerning the competition will be available at the following website: Federation Homepage: http://www.skating.or.kr

Official Website: http://speedskating2016seoul.com

Live results of the competition will be available at the following website: http://live.isuresults.eu/2015-2016/seoul