Communication No. 2064

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

1. ISU JUDGES EXAMINATION 2017

Participants:
In accordance with Rules 901, paragraph 7 and 903, paragraph 3 - to be eligible for promotion to the qualification as “ISU Judge” for Synchronized Skating, the candidates must have passed the ISU Synchronized Skating Judges Examination. The Synchronized Skating Judges Examination will be held on the occasion of the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2017 in:

Colorado Springs, USA – April 6-8, 2017

Candidates for the Examination must have met all the requirements as stated in Rule 903, paragraph 3.

Participation:
In accordance with Rule 900, paragraph 1 d), the applications to participate must have been submitted by the ISU Member concerned, on behalf of their candidates, to the ISU Secretariat by April 1st, 2016.

Program:
The Examination will consist of (2) parts: a practical part, trial judging the competition events (Short Program and Free Skating) plus a written and an oral part, which will consist of questions regarding Synchronized Skating Rules and the ISU Judging System criteria (from the Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Synchronized Skating 2016 and all pertinent ISU Communications).

The written and oral part will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2017 in the morning and will consist of short answers and essay questions. The Examination will be conducted in English by a panel of moderators designated by the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee.

The written and oral examination parts will be closed book.

Official Hotel:
Cheyenne Mountain Resort Hotel
3225 Broadmoor Valley Road
Colorado Springs, CO 80906

Moderators:
Mr. Mika Saarelainen, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee
Ms. Lois Long, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee
Expenses:
The responsibility for the expenses of the Examination will be allocated as follows:

a) The travel, meals and hotel accommodation expenses of the panel of examiners will be borne by the ISU.

b) The administrative expenses (room and supplies) will be borne by the ISU.

c) The living expenses (hotel room and meals) for the attending candidates from the evening of Wednesday, April 5, 2017 (dinner not included) to breakfast on Sunday, April 9, 2017 will be borne by the ISU.

d) **The travel expenses of the Judges who pass the Examination will be reimbursed by the ISU**, subject to submission of an actual ticket receipt up to a limit of 200 Swiss Francs (CHF 200) per person for Judges from North America, up to 800 Swiss Francs (CHF 800) per person for Judges from Europe and up to 1000 Swiss Francs (CHF 1000) per person for Judges from Asia/Oceania and Africa, based on economy airfare. For candidates who do not pass the Examination there will be no reimbursement of travel expenses.

An ISU Member who’s Judge does not display a working knowledge of English, in the opinion of the examiners, shall reimburse the ISU for the living expenses (hotel room and meals) of that Judge. No reimbursement of travel expenses will be given to such ISU Member.

2. ISU TRIAL JUDGING 2017

Participants:
ISU Trial Judging, as per Rule 903 paragraph 1c), will be conducted by the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee in conjunction with the 2017 ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships to be held in:

**Mississauga, CAN – March 9-11 2017**

Acting as a Trial Judge in this designated ISU Synchronized Skating competition will be considered as activity for present International Judges and Referees. Per Rule 902 paragraph 2 and 4, Rule 903 paragraph 2 and 4, Trial Judging in this competition will also count as activity for re-appointment to International Judge or Referee, ISU Judge or Referee. Those ISU Members needing to provide activity either for their present International/ISU Judges or Referees or their National Judges, may apply.

Applications:
The applications must be sent to the ISU Secretariat with a copy to Ms. Petra Tyrbo, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, not later than **January 10, 2017**

International Skating Union
Attn: Ms. Céline de Joffrey
E-mail: entries@isu.ch

Ms Petra Tyrbo
E-mail: petra.tyrbo@gmail.com

If less than five (5) persons apply for the ISU Trial Judging, the ISU Trial Judging may not be conducted, but may be postponed for one year.

Program:
The Trial Judging will use the ISU Judging System and will consist of both Short Program and Free Skating Junior category, as well as element identification.

All Trial Judging participants must plan to arrive at the Official hotel on Thursday, March 9, 2017 by 15:00 hrs and should plan to leave Mississauga on Sunday, March 12, 2017.
Official Hotel:
Sandman Signature Mississauga Hotel
5400 Dixie Rd, Mississauga, ON L4W 1E6
+1 (905) 238 0159

Hotel costs (price per room) are as follows:
Single room: CAD 119.00 plus applicable taxes (13%) and fees
Double room: CAD 119.00 plus applicable taxes (13%) and fees

Please note that the price is guaranteed for bookings made before January 31, 2017.
The Official hotel can be booked only through the Organizing Committee.

Language:
The Seminar will be conducted in English.

Moderators:
Mr. Christopher Buchanan, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee
Ms. Lois Long, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee

Expenses:
a) All administrative expenses (travel, accommodations, and meals) for the Moderator(s) of the ISU Trial Judging, designated to serve by the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, will be borne by the ISU.
b) The travel and living expenses (accommodations and meals) for all participants will be borne by their respective ISU Members.
c) All ISU Members are responsible for arranging the travel and hotel accommodations for their own participants.
d) All participants must pay a lump sum of CAD 250. This amount includes the payment of dinner from March 9, breakfast, lunch and dinner on March 10 and 11, 2017 (2 drink tickets per day are included). This lump sum must be paid on site by all participants at registration (even for those not staying in the official hotel).

3. FIRST APPOINTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL JUDGES’ SEMINAR AND EXAMINATION 2017

a) As part of the Seminar in Frankfurt, Germany, July 9-16, 2017 (for details please see the separate ISU Communication on the subject which will be published shortly), there will be an ISU Seminar and Examination for first appointment as International Judge for Synchronized Skating.
b) This Seminar is reserved for National Judges to be appointed as International Judges.
c) This Seminar will count as a regular Judges Seminar followed by an Examination for the purpose of Rule 903, paragraphs 1.c) and 1 d).

Tubbergen,
December 16, 2016

Lausanne,

Jan Dijkema, President
Fredi Schmid, Director General