

# Communication No. 2517

## Entries ISU Championships Short Track Speed Skating 2023

### I. ENTRY QUOTAS

#### 1. ISU Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023

(i) Entries for individual competitions:

Following the cancellation of the 2021 and 2022 editions of the Championships due to the pandemic, and in order to facilitate an adequate participation in the Championships, all participating ISU Members may enter the full quota of 3 Competitors in each category. Required qualifying times indicated in paragraph 5.2 below apply.

(ii) Entries for Relay competitions: In accordance with Rule 285, paragraph 2.c) only the eight (8) highest ranked Four Continents ISU Members in the Special Relay Classification (see Rule 286, paragraph 4.d) made immediately before the Championships can enter a Relay Team in the respective Relay competition (Women/Men/Mixed). For this classification points will be awarded to the relevant ISU Members in accordance with the World Cup Points system as specified in ISU Communication No 2506. *Only the best 4 results out of the last 6 World Cup Competitions will count. See the conversion of points for the Special Relay Classifications at the end of Season 2021-2022 in the Annex.*

If the Host ISU Member is not qualified through the Special Relay Classification, it will replace the lowest ranked Team. If a qualified ISU Member forfeits its right to participate, it must inform the ISU immediately upon completion of the last World Cup before the Championship. The next ranked ISU Member for the Championship will be invited to participate.

In case of a tie in the Special Relay Classification for the last qualifying position, the Team with the highest-ranking result acquired in any of the above-mentioned World Cup Events will decide the final order. If the tie persists, the second highest acquired result will be considered, etc. If a tie persists with all the results, the best time skated in any of the counting World Cup Events will be the tie breaker.

Entries for the Relay competitions must be in accordance with Rule 297, paragraph 3.

(iii) Total number of entries (including substitutes): The total number of Competitors per category that may be entered for the Championships will be maximum four (4). However, if the ISU Member has entered a Team for a Relay competition (Women or Men) the maximum number of entries for the category concerned will be five (5).

#### 2. ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023

(i) Entries for individual competitions:

Due to the cancellation of the ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2022 because of the pandemic, results from the ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2021 are being used as a basis for the entry quotas. In accordance with Rule 285, paragraph 2, the following ISU Members may enter more than 2 competitors for each of the distances:

##### Women

Hungary	3 competitors
Italy	3 competitors
Netherlands	3 competitors
Poland	3 competitors
Russia <sup>1</sup>	3 competitors

##### Men

Hungary	3 competitors
Italy	3 competitors
Netherlands	3 competitors
Poland *	2 or 3 competitors
Russia <sup>1</sup>	3 competitors

<sup>1</sup> Reference is made to ISU Communication No. 2469, paragraph 2.a) according to which and until further notice, no individual belonging to the Russian Skating Union and Skating Union of Belarus shall be invited, entered and allowed to participate in International Competitions, ISU Championships and other ISU Events.

\*) In accordance with Rule 285, paragraph 2.a): If the Host ISU Member has not qualified 3 Skaters in a distance then the Host ISU Member may nevertheless choose to still enter 3 Skaters, and have the original number of qualified Skaters as their maximum number of Skaters to qualify for the same following Championship. This Rule applies for Poland as Host Member for the European Championships 2023. Required qualifying times indicated in paragraph 5.3 below also apply for the Host ISU Member Competitors.

(ii) Entries for Relay competitions:

In accordance with Rule 285, paragraph 2.b) only the twelve (12) highest ranked European ISU Members in the Special Relay Classification (see Rule 286, paragraph 4.d)) made immediately before the Championships can enter a Relay Team in the respective Relay competition (Women/Men/Mixed). For this classification points will be awarded to the relevant ISU Members in accordance with the World Cup Points system as specified in ISU Communication No 2506. *Only the best 4 results out of the last 6 World Cup Competitions will count. See the conversion of points for the Current Special Relay Classifications at the end of Season 2021-2022 in the Annex.*

If the Host ISU Member is not qualified through that Special Relay Classification, it will replace the lowest ranked Team. If a European ISU Member forfeits its right to participate, it must inform the ISU immediately after the last World Cup before the Championship. The next ranked ISU Member for the concerned Championship will be invited to participate.

In case of a tie in the Special Relay Classification for the last qualifying position, the Team with the highest ranking result acquired in any of the above-mentioned World Cup Events will decide the final order. If the tie persists, the second highest acquired result will be considered, etc. If a tie persists with all the results, the best time skated in any of the counting World Cup Events will be the tie breaker.

Entries for the Relay competitions must be in accordance with Rule 297, paragraph 3.

(iii) Total number of entries (including substitutes):

The maximum number of Competitors per category that may be entered for the Championships is as follows:

- Five (5), if the ISU Member has entered a Relay Team for the category concerned,
- Four (4), if the ISU Member has not entered a Relay Team, but has qualified three Skaters for the individual competitions in the category concerned;
- All ISU Members have the right to enter three (3) Skaters per category.

### 3. ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023

The entry quotas for the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023 are determined in accordance with Rule 283, paragraph 2 and based on results of the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2022.

Each ISU Member has the right to enter three Competitors in each category. ISU Members entering a Relay Team may enter a maximum of four Competitors in the respective category.

(i) Entries for individual competitions:

In accordance with Rule 283, paragraph 2. b), the following ISU Members may enter a maximum of three (3) competitors for the following distances:

<b>Women</b>		
<b>500m</b>	<b>1000m</b>	<b>1500m</b>
Canada	Canada	Canada
France	France	France
Germany *)	Germany	Germany
Italy	Hungary	Hungary
Kazakhstan	Italy	Italy
Korea	Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan
Latvia	Korea	Korea
Lithuania	Latvia	Latvia
Netherlands	Netherlands	Lithuania
Slovak Republic	Slovak Republic	Netherlands
USA	USA	Poland *)
		USA

Men		
500m	1000m	1500m
Belgium	Bulgaria	Belgium
Canada	Canada	Canada
France	France	France
Germany *)	Germany *)	Germany *)
Hungary	Great Britain	Italy
Italy	Hungary	Japan **)
Japan **)	Italy	Kazakhstan
Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan	Korea
Korea	Korea	Netherlands
Netherlands	Netherlands	
Norway	USA	
Turkey		
USA		

Other ISU Members may not enter more than two (2) Competitors in each category for each individual distance.

\*) In accordance with Rule 283, paragraph 2.c): If the Host ISU Member has not qualified 3 Skaters in a distance then the Host ISU Member may nevertheless choose to still enter 3 Skaters, and have the original number of qualified Skaters as their maximum number of Skaters to qualify for the same following Championship. This Rule applies for Germany as Host Member for the World Junior Championships 2023 as well as for Poland as Host Member during the World Junior Championships 2022. Required qualifying times indicated in paragraph 5.3 below also apply for the Host ISU Member Competitors.

\*\*\*) Due to disrupted air traffic because of the situation in Ukraine the team from Japan was not able to find flights in due time to attend the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2022 in Gdansk, Poland. Their number of qualified Skaters for 2022 is transferred to 2023.

#### 4. ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023

(i) Entries for individual competitions:

In accordance with Rule 281, paragraph 2.a), the following ISU Members may enter more than 1 competitor per distance:

##### Women

Australia	2 competitors	Hungary	2 competitors
Belgium	2 competitors	Italy	3 competitors
Bulgaria	2 competitors	Korea	3 competitors
Canada	3 competitors	Netherlands	3 competitors
Croatia	2 competitors	Poland	2 competitors
Czech Republic	2 competitors	Slovak Republic	2 competitors
France	2 competitors	Ukraine	2 competitors
Germany	2 competitors	USA	2 competitors
Great Britain	2 competitors		

##### Men

Australia	2 competitors	Italy	3 competitors
Austria	2 competitors	Korea	3 competitors
Belgium	2 competitors	Latvia	2 competitors
Canada	3 competitors	Netherlands	3 competitors
Croatia	2 competitors	Poland	2 competitors
Czech Republic	2 competitors	Switzerland	2 competitors
France	3 competitors	Turkey	2 competitors
Germany	2 competitors	Ukraine	2 competitors
Hungary	2 competitors	USA	2 competitors
Israel	2 competitors		

The total number of Competitors per category that may be entered for the Championships is:

- Three, if the ISU Member has qualified two Skaters;
- Four, if the ISU Member has qualified three Skaters;
- ISU Members having qualified a Mixed Relay Team can have three Skaters per gender;
- Or the number of Skaters in accordance with Rule 297, paragraph 3.a), if the ISU Member has qualified a Relay Team.

(ii) Entries for Relay competitions:

In accordance with Rule 281, paragraph 2.b) only the twelve (12) highest ranked ISU Members in the World Cup Relay and Mixed Team Relay Classifications can enter a Team in the respective Relay competitions. By making an entry for a World Cup Competition, the ISU Member confirms that, if qualified, the ISU Member will participate in the Relay Competition at the respective Event. The ISU Member may forfeit these rights by notifying the ISU Secretariat immediately after the last World Cup Competition before the Championships.

In case of a tie in the World Cup Relay Classification for the last qualifying position, the Team with the highest-ranking result acquired in any of the above-mentioned World Cup Events will decide the final order. If the tie persists, the second highest acquired result will be considered, etc. If a tie persists with all the results, the best time skated in any of the counting World Cup Events will be the tie breaker.

If the Host ISU Member is not qualified through that World Cup Relay Classification, it will replace the lowest ranked Team. If an ISU Member forfeits its right to participate, it must inform the ISU immediately after the last World Cup before the Championship. The next ranked ISU Member will be invited to participate.

## **5. Qualifying Times for ISU Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023**

### **5.1 Qualifying times**

To qualify for participation in the ISU Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023, Skaters must have achieved applicable qualifying times (Rule 295, paragraph 4.n) and paragraph 4.o).

### **5.2 Required qualifying times ISU European, ISU Four Continents and ISU World Short Track Speed Championships**

The ISU Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee has determined qualifying times required for participation in the ISU Four Continents Short Track Speed Skating Championships, ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships and the ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023 as follows:

Every ISU Member can enter 1 Skater per category that has achieved the following qualifying time:

Women 500 meters:	49,48 (18% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)
Men 500 meters:	46,62 (18% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)

If an ISU Member enters more than 1 Skater, the qualifying times required for all Skaters (including all Relay Skaters) entered by the ISU Member, are:

Women 500 meters:	47,81 (14% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)
Men 500 meters:	45,04 (14% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)

All Skaters entered in the above-mentioned Championships must have achieved the qualifying time over the distance of 500m.

### **5.3 Required qualifying times ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Championships**

The ISU Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee has determined qualifying times required for participation in the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023 as follows:

Every ISU Member can enter 1 Skater per category that has achieved the following qualifying time:

Women 500 meters:	51,85 (20% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)
Men 500 meters:	48,40 (20% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)

If an ISU Member enters more than 1 Skater, the qualifying times required for all Skaters (including all Relay Skaters) entered by the ISU Member, are:

Women 500 meters:	50,13 (16% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)
Men 500 meters:	46,78 (16% slower than world record as of July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2022)

#### **5.4 Conditions for valid qualifying times**

- a) The result must have been achieved **at the latest fourteen (14) days before the respective ISU Championships** in one of the following Competitions:
  - ISU Championships
  - ISU World Cup Short Track Speed Skating Competitions
  - International Short Track Speed Skating Competitions as listed in ISU Communication No. 2498
  - National Championships sanctioned by the ISU Member concerned
  - Other Short Track Speed Skating Competitions sanctioned by the ISU.
- b) The Competition must have been held on an official ISU track as listed in Rule 280, paragraph 1.
- c) Photo finish and/or electronic timing must have been used, proved by original outputs of the respective equipment. If no Photo finish and/or electronic timing are available 0,2 seconds must be added to the time recorded.
- d) A Referee and Starter, listed on the ISU List of Officials for International Competitions or the ISU List of Officials for ISU Championships and Olympic Winter Games (ISU Communications No. 2497) must have been officiating.
- e) The distances skated, and the starting times must have been in accordance with the announcement.
- f) A Protocol and a Program of the competition must be available.
- g) Results achieved since July 1, 2021, may be considered.
- h) ISU Members entering participants must submit verification of the qualifying times achieved by each Competitor. This documentation must be submitted to the ISU Secretariat at the latest on the 10<sup>th</sup> day before the start of the first race of the Competition (Rule 295, paragraph 4.e). The respective Representative of the Technical Committee for the Competition will review the documents and confirm whether the qualifying criteria have been respected and if the entry can be accepted.

If sufficient verification of the above listed requirements is missing, the entry will not be accepted.

#### **6. Seeding Times for ISU Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023**

The composition of the first Qualifying Round of all distances, both Individual and Relay, is made up based on Rule 296, paragraph 3.

Skaters without a World Ranking will be placed on the Seeding List after the Skaters with a World Ranking. The best season time over the distances will be used to determine a ranking for the make-up of the first round of each of the related distances. Seeding times are valid if achieved under conditions stated in paragraph 5 above).

#### **7. Conditions**

- 7.1 The Championships will have a single distance character. The first day is dedicated to the Qualifying Session with qualifying rounds only. On day 2 and day 3, the Main Championships Sessions preceded by Repechage Sessions will be held for the same individual distances as in the Main Championships session on that day. Competitors who did not qualify for the Quarter-Finals for 500 and 1000 meters or for the Semi-Finals for 1500 meters during the Qualifying Session, can enter the Repechage Session for the distance concerned, except those who were given a sanction (Rule 297, paragraph 7), or who did not start in the Qualifying Session. Skaters that were declared "Did not Finish" are eligible to move on to next rounds including the Repechage Races. The maximum number of Competitors to enter the Repechage Session is 40 for the 500 and 1000m and 42 for the 1500m, based on the intermediate Distance Classifications.
- 7.2 On day 1 and for the Repechage sessions on day 2 and day 3, there will be no Warm Up sessions. Warm Up sessions will be scheduled before the beginning of each Main Championship's program with two (2) groups per category and limited to 10 minutes per warm up session

## **II. ENTRY DEADLINES**

In accordance with Rule 295, paragraphs 4), the number of Competitors, substitutes, coaches and Team leaders shall be entered at least six (6) weeks before the first day of the Competition. The number of other personnel travelling with the team shall also be communicated separately at least six (6) weeks before the ISU Event concerned.

ISU Members are seriously requested to enter only the number of Skaters they actually intend to send to the ISU Championships concerned. The names of the Competitors and substitutes names per category with their ISU Registration Number, the names of the Competitors for each of the respective individual distances and the confirmation of participation in the Relay shall be communicated to the organizing committee at the latest on the 10<sup>th</sup> day before the start of the first race of the Competition. For Post Entries Rule 115, paragraph 6 of the General Regulations applies.

**The exact deadlines are issued in the Official Announcement for each ISU Championships.**

ISU Members are requested to study and follow the corresponding Rules (Rules 115/130/131) and the corresponding Declaration Form which is available on the ISU Website (<https://www.isu.org/extranet-isu/obligations-of-members>)

**In line with Rule 115, paragraph 6 of the General Regulations, ISU Members are reminded that post entries might be accepted by the ISU President only in case of clearly and truly exceptional circumstances.**

### **III. ACCREDITATION POLICY FOR TEAM OFFICIALS/ACCOMPANYING PERSONS**

The organizing ISU Member is not obliged to provide services (hotel reservations, accredited entrance to the ice rink, local transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. Names and functions of all team officials must be submitted to the organizer before the entry deadline. Guidelines for accreditation can be obtained from the organizing ISU Member or the ISU Secretariat.

### **IV. New rules for the Starting procedure (Rule 298)**

The ISU Congress 2022 in Phuket, THA, approved a technical rule change to move into a starting procedure with zero (0) False Starts upon positive evaluation after a testing to be performed at ISU Events during the season 2022/23.

The testing period will start with World Cup 1 and last until World Cup 4 of season 2022/23. It means that the ISU Four Continents Championships taking place in Salt Lake City will be conducted with the "0 False Starts rule".

All details and relevant information are outlined in ISU Communication No. 2510. Once the testing period is completed and results have been reviewed, the ISU Council will decide which Rules for the starting procedure will be applied for the remaining ISU Championships of season 2022/23.

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