# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

## Communication No. 2025

# **ISU Course for Speed Skating Referees**

The ISU has decided to hold a course for Speed Skating Referees, which will be organized by the ISU Speed Skating Technical Committee and US Speedskating (as hosting ISU Speed Skating Member) in:

### Park City, Utah (USA), September 29-October 2, 2016

## **Program**

The course will cover all main aspects of the role and the tasks of Referees at ISU Championships, World Cup Competitions and other major International Competitions. The ISU Special Regulations and the Technical Rules for Speed Skating and relevant parts of the ISU General Regulations, as adopted by the 2016 ISU Congress, will be especially addressed.

The course will include theoretical and practical parts, and various kinds of tests and examinations will be organized. It is necessary that the participants have had recent experience as Referees in major competitions, and that they already have a good knowledge of the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and relevant parts of the ISU General Regulations. Group work and workshops will be a main part of the course program. It is therefore very important that all participants are able to communicate well in English.

**Opening of the Course:** Thursday, September 29, 2016, at 17:00 **End of the Course:** Sunday, October 2, 2016, after breakfast.

**Location (official hotel):** Marriott Park City

1895 Sidewinder Dr, Park City, UT 84060, USA

Phone: +1 435-649-2900 Website: <u>Marriott Park City</u>

## **Course Management**

Course Coordinator: Alexander Kibalko, ISU Speed Skating TC

Course Administration: Marion Wohlrab, US Speedskating and Nick Thometz, ISU Speed Skating TC

Instructors &moderators: Dan Immerfall (USA), ISU Referee

Daniel Cabelduc (SWE), ISU Referee

### **Participants**

The course is open to the following categories of participants:

- 1) **ISU Referees** (Referees for ISU Championships), as defined in Rule 121, paragraph b) and listed in ISU Communication No. **2021**;
- 2) Experienced **International Referees** (named in ISU Communication No. **2021**) who are considered for nomination to the 2017/18 list of ISU Referees;
- 3) Experienced **International Referees** (named in ISU Communication No. **2021**) from ISU Members that will be hosting ISU Speed Skating Championships or ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competitions during the seasons 2016/17 and/or 2017/18.

For capacity reasons only a limited number of participants from categories 2) and 3) above will be admitted. Only participants with adequate experience as International Referees will be accepted. The ISU may request evidence that entered participants have the necessary qualifications.

#### **Entries**

Entries must be submitted **before August 29, 2016** to <u>both</u> of the following addresses:

US Speedskating International Skating Union (ISU)

Attn.: Ms. Marion Wohlrab

E-Mail: MWohlrab@usspeedskating.org

Attn.: Mr. Fabrice Prahin

E-mail: prahin@isu.ch

Please include exact arrival and departure details (flight information) and E-mail addresses of all participants. If visas are required, please contact Marion Wohlrab at US Speedskating *as soon as possible* to receive a letter of invitation for named participants. In order to issue the requested invitation letter, the following information must be submitted: full name, birth date, number and expiration date of passport. ISU Members concerned will be informed at the latest by September 8, 2016 if some of the entered Referees will not be admitted as participants at the course.

#### **Expenses and financial contributions**

The ISU will cover accommodation costs in the official hotel and meal expenses from the evening dinner on September 29, 2016 up to and including breakfast on October 2, 2016 for the following participants:

- o all attending ISU Referees
- o a maximum of <u>one</u> International Referee per ISU Member (in addition to ISU Referees from the respective ISU Member due to attend).

Accommodation costs for any additional participants will have to be borne by the ISU Member concerned. For participants from outside North America, the ISU will pay a travel contribution, subject to submission of actual flight ticket receipts, to a maximum of **1'000 Swiss francs (CHF 1'000.--)** per participant. Such a contribution will only be granted for *ISU Referees* from the respective ISU Member. For participants from North America no travel contribution will be paid.

Reimbursement of travel expenses will be made by the ISU Secretariat to the ISU Member concerned after the conclusion of the course, against submission of copies of flight ticket invoices to the ISU Secretariat. Contributions and expenses will only be paid by the ISU on the condition that the participants are in attendance during *the whole duration* of the course.

#### **Travel information**

The distance from Salt Lake City International Airport (https://www.slcairport.com/) to Park City is about 60 km.

Information on airport transfer will be given when the entries for the course are confirmed.

#### Other conditions

All lectures, discussions and examinations will be conducted in English. No interpretation will be offered. It is extremely important that ISU Referees attend this course in order to maintain their activity in accordance with the ISU Regulations. International Referees considered for future nomination as ISU Referees should attend the course in order to prove and improve their qualifications for such a nomination. It is expected that those Referees attending the course will take further initiatives to organize similar courses in their own country.





# **Arrival and Departure Form:**

Please submit to <u>prahin@isu.ch</u> AND <u>mwohlrab@usspeedskating.org</u> no later than August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

ISU MEMBER:		

First Name	Last Name	Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Flight #	Depart. Date	Depart Time	Flight #	Cell phone number





# Letter of Invitation Request

We herby request an	official letter of invita	ation from US Spe	edskating in order	to attend the 2016
ISU Referees Se	eminar in Park City, U	T / USA from Sept	tember 29 <sup>th</sup> to Oct	ober 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2016.

ISU MEMBER: _	
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First Name	Last Name	Birth Date	Passport #	Expiration Date