



Facts & Figures

The ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2018 are held in Sofia, Bulgaria for the fifth time. Sofia has hosted the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships in 2001, 2008, 2009 and 2014.

184 skaters/couples from 45 ISU Members have been entered for the championship.

- 21-year-old ice dancer Valentin WUNDERLICH (GER) is the oldest competitor (dob 21 Aug 1996)
- Chloe ING (SGP), 19, is the oldest lady competing (dob 12 Sep 1998)
- 13-year-old Alexandra TRUSOVA (RUS) is the youngest skater in the event (dob 23 Jun 2004)
- 14-year-old Artur Danelian (RUS) is the youngest man competing (dob 17 Dec 2003)

Two skaters celebrate their birthday during the Championship:

- Pair skater Polina KOSTIUKOVICH (RUS) turns 15 on Wednesday, March 7, the day of the Pairs Short Program
- Oliwia RZEPIEL (POL) will celebrate her 17th birthday on Thursday, March 8

There are three sets of siblings competing:

- Natalie TASCHLEROVA/Filip TASCHLER (CZE) in the Ice Dance
- Maya GORODNITSKY (ISR) and Mark GORODNITSKY (ISR) in Ladies and Men's singles
- Caroline GREEN/Gordon GREEN (USA) in the Ice Dance

None of the 2017 World Junior Champions are competing this year as they have moved up to the senior level, but several medalists are back: 2017 Ice Dance bronze medalists Christina CARREIRA/Anthony PONOMARENKO (USA), 2017 Pairs bronze medalists Yumeng GAO/Zhong XIE (CHN) and 2016 Men's bronze medalist Tomoki HIWATASHI (USA). 2016 Pairs silver medalist Anastasia MISHINA (RUS) returns with new partner Aleksandr GALIAMOV (RUS) to the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships.