

Announcement

**43. LEO SCHEU MEMORIAL
08.-12. November 2017
Graz, Austria**

**International Figure Skating Competition
for
Novice Girls and Boys, Pairs, Ice Dance
Junior Ladies, Men, Pairs**

organized by **Grazer Eislaufverein**
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Austria

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According to ISU Constitution and ISU Judging System

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1 WELCOME

The Grazer Eislaufverein and Trixi Schuba (head of the Organizing Committee, Olympic Champion 1972) are honored to invite you and your club to participate in ICECHALLENGE Young Generation – 43. Leo Scheu Memorial.

2 GENERAL

The „Icechallenge 2017 - 43. Leo Scheu Memorial“ will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution, in particular but not limited to the current Rules, the Special Regulations for Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance and the Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating and the Technical Rules Ice Dance as well as all relevant ISU Rules and ISU Communications.

Participation in „Icechallenge 2017 - 43. Leo Scheu Memorial“ is open to all competitors who belong to an ISU Member, Rule 109, paragraph 1, and qualify with regard to eligibility, according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 2) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and relevant ISU Communication or any update of it.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and relevant ISU Communication 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. Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must to be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

Competitors taking part in Advanced Novice and Junior category must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

Entries for young categories (Basic Novice and younger) may be accepted by clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations, associated with the ISU.

ISU Member: **Österreichischer Eiskunstlaufverband – Skate Austria**
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3 TECHNICAL DATA

All competition events will take place at the “Merkur Eisstadion Graz - Liebenau” (main arena 30 m x 60 m) and /or practice arena, (30 m x 60 m). These two facilities are located next to each other in the same complex. The Main Arena is indoor, heated with artificial ice surfaces, the practice rink is covered and with artificial ice surface.

Place of Competition: **Liebenauer Eishalle:**
Zoisweg 2, 8041 Graz, Austria

Date: **08.-12. November 2017**



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Categories: **JUNIOR: Ladies, Men, Pairs and Ice Dance**
 Advanced NOVICE: Girs, Boys, Pairs, Ice Dance
 Young Categories, - Single Skating

3.1 Draws

Draws of the first segment will take place, on November 5th 2017 and will be published on the same day. There will be no draw after the first segment – starting orders, for the second segment will be according the reverse of the results of short programs.

JUNIOR Categories

Junior MEN	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications. Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.
Junior LADIES	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications. Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.
Junior PAIRS	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications. Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.
Ice Dance	Short Dance	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 709. Rhythms, required elements and guidelines are those listed in ISU Communication 2076, 2086 and subsequent updates. Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec
	Free Dance	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710. The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communications 2076, 2086 and subsequent updates. Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

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ADVANCED NOVICE Categories

Novice Categories will be held in accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communication. In International Competitions, a Novice is a Skater who has met the following requirements before July 1st preceding the event (the specific date: before July 1st, applies to all indicated dates):

- has reached at least the age of ten (10)
- has not reached the age of fifteen (15)

Duration of the Programs:

Short Program 2:20 min, +/- 10 sec.

Free Skating 3:00 min, +/- 10 sec. for girls

Free Skating 3:30 min, +/- 10 sec. for boys + pairs

Advanced Novice BOYS	Short Program	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications
Advanced Novice GIRLS	Short Program	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications.
Advanced Novice Pairs	Short Program	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and the respective ISU Communications.
Advanced Novice Ice Dance	Pattern Dance	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance and the respective ISU Communications.
	Free Dance	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance and the respective ISU Communications.

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BASIC NOVICE and YOUNG Categories

Basic Novice Categories will be held in accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016 and the relevant ISU Communication. Age requirements (Rule 108, paragraph 2. d) and paragraph 3. new c) and all subsequent updates!

BASIC
NOVICE B

Basic Novice B

- a) has reached at least the age of thirteen (13)
- b) has not reached the age of fifteen (15) for Girls and Boys

Duration 3min +/- 10 sec for boys and girls
Well balanced Free Skating according ISU Comm.

BASIC
NOVICE A

Basic Novice A

- a) has reached at least the age of ten (10)
- b) has not reached the age of thirteen (13) for Girls and Boys in singles competitions

Duration 2:30 min, +/- 10 sec.
Well balanced Free Skating according ISU Comm.

CUBS

Cubs

- a) has reached at least the age of eight (8)
- b) has not reached the age of ten (10) for Girls and Boys in singles competitions by 1st July

Duration 2:00 min +/- 10 sec

CHICKS

Chicks

- has not reached the age of eight (8) for Girls and Boys in singles competitions by 1st July

A well balanced Free Skating program for Chicks & Cubs Singles Boys + Girls must contain:

- a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combinations can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Triple jumps are not permitted.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation). Flying Entry is allowed.
- c) There must be a maximum:

- (i) for Girls and for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only. The step sequence must cover at least half of the ice surface to be counted.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution

The Factor of the Program Components is 2.5.

Levels explanations:

For Cubs Singles, in all elements which, are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

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4 ENTRIES

Entries in the “Icechallenge 2017– 43. Leo Scheu Memorial”

All Members / clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with the ISU, are invited to take part in the competition. Each club / federation may enter two (2) competitors in young categories.

In case of too many entries, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants to one (1) entry each category. The maximum entries accepted in Advanced Novice and Junior categories will be 30 for singles, 16 for dance and 12 for pairs.

In case of more than the mentioned entries the organizer reserves the right to skate a final with 24 skaters in singles, and 16 couples in Ice Dance and 12 Pairs in the Free Program. This will concern to categories Advanced Novice and Junior.

Entries must be done either with the attached Entry Forms for Teams and Judges or the Online Entry System! With the entry forms, the “Program Content Sheet” must be returned to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet must be filled in precisely by each Skater/Team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

With the close of Entries on 5th October 2017 Entry Fees have to be transferred to the following bank account:

Account holder: Grazer Eislaufverein
Bank: Raiffeisen-Landesbank Steiermark
Account number: 7.129.778, EUR
BIC: RZSTAT2G
IBAN: AT20 3800 0000 0712 9778

Please indicate at your transfer as follows:

Name of the skater, Nation, (Club if entered by club), category (for example: Junior Men)

Entries will not be accepted, if the entry fee has not arrived at the Organizers account in time. Unpaid entries will not be on the entry list and therefore will not be drawn!

If the entry fee is paid after October 5th 2017 the fee is € 20 higher! If you want to pay on site, the fee will be as well € 20 higher!

4.1 Entries by Number

Entries indicating the number of skaters in the disciplines concerned and judges must be made not later than **SEPTEMBER 25th 2017, 20:00 Graz local time.**

4.2 Entries by Name

Entries by name of skaters and Judges judges must be made not later than **October 5th 2017 20:00 Graz time by mail: info@icechallenge.at**

4.3 Entries of Judges

Each ISU Member entering the competition is entitled to nominate one (1) International or ISU Judge for Single / Pairs, and one Judge for Ice Dance, double duty Judges are welcome, who have participated in one of the ISU Judges Seminars for the ISU Judging System.

For Basic Novice and Young Categories Judges (National Championships) will be accepted. (ISU Comm. 1760 or relevant updates!)



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The Panels will be drawn immediately after the closing of entries. The members concerned will then be notified of the result of the draw.

Each panel of Judges in Junior and Novice categories will consist of 5 judges.
In younger groups the panel of judges will consist of 3 judges.

5 PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best-placed Skaters/Couples in each event will be announced and honored. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists.

6 ENTRY FEES

Early bird entry fees will be € 90,-- for single skaters (Junior, Advanced Novice), € 120,-- for couples (pairs).

Entry fees have to be paid before the competition via bank transfer to the organizing committee.

For young categories (Basic Novice, Cubs, Chicks) € 60,-- have to be paid before the competition via bank transfer to the organizing committee.

Entry Fees paid after October 5th 2017 are:

Junior / Advanced Novice Singles € 110

Junior / Advanced Novice Couples € 140

Young Categories: € 80

Payment on site at the competition:

Junior / Advanced Novice Singles € 110

Junior / Advanced Novice Couples € 140

Young Categories: € 80

After the deadline of entries there is no pay back of entry fees!

7 MUSIC

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all discs must show the competition event, competitor's name, the nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program, free skating, short dance, free dance) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive for each program.

8 REGISTRATION

Accreditation will be given to all Event Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data / Video Operator, all accepted Judges, Participants, one Team Leader and one Coach per Skater / Couple. Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport. Accreditation will be given in the Ice Rink at the Accreditation-Office just when the entry fee is paid.

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9 EXPENSES

The expenses for rooms and meals of the Team Leaders, Competitors and other Team Officials will not be covered by the organizer and are on the account of the teams.

The expenses of the hotel accommodation on full board basis will be covered for Referees, the Judges drawn for panels, one Judge of each entered ISU Member, for the nominated Technical Controllers and the Technical Specialists, Data / Video Operators.

Travel fees will only be paid to the nominated Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data / Video Operators based on economy fare.

All extra expenses incurred by any official will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior departure.

10 TRANSPORTATION

All Referees, Technical Panel, Judges, Participants and Coaches are requested to announce to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but not later than **October 5th 2017** all arrival information (flight number, date, time etc.) therefore the travel form should be used!

The Airport is "Graz Thalerhof" which is about 25 minutes from Graz City Center.

The railway Station is "Graz Hauptbahnhof". The organizing committee provides a shuttle upon arrival and departure for the teams at the airport Graz / station Graz.

A transportation fee both ways of € 36 / person of the teams will be asked.

11 ACCOMODATION

Hotel Amedia Best Western, Conrad von Hötendorfstrasse, 8010 Graz

Hotel Star Inn: Waltendorfergürtel 8-10, 8010 Graz

The Deadline for hotel bookings is October 5th 2017

After this deadline we cannot guarantee the special prices!

The room reservations for all team members have to be done exclusively with the hotel form or the online system through the organizing committee to provide the special room rates. ***A credit card number has to be presented or a pre-payment of 50% of the booking rate after the reservation will be asked.*** All final hotel payment shall be made latest upon arrival at the hotel. All extra expenses incurred by any person will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior departure.

Both Hotels are within walking distance to the icerink, and in front of both hotels are tram stations.

12 MEALS

The organizer will offer buffet for lunch and dinner at the "Icechallenge Lounge".

Meal hours:

Lunch: Icechallenge Lounge from 11:30 to 14:30,

Dinner: Icechallenge Lounge from 18:00 to 23:30

There is the possibility to pre-order mealtickets!

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13 LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each member participating in the ICECHALLENGE 2017 – 43. Leo Scheu Memorial, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means of the ill or injured person. The organizer assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by competitors and officials.

14 Preliminary Timetable Subject to change!

Wednesday, Nov. 8 th 2017	1 st TC & R & Judges Meeting, Singles: Adv. Novice SP, Junior SP
Thursday, Nov. 9 th 2017	Singles: Adv. Novice FP, Junior FP, Basic Novice B FP Pairs: Junior SP
Friday, Nov. 10 th 2017	Singles: Basic Novice A Ice Dance: Junior, Adv. Novice SD Pairs: Junior, Adv. Novice SP
Saturday, Nov. 11 th 2017	Singles: Chicks, Cubs FP Ice Dance: Juniors, Adv. Novice FD Pairs: Junior, Adv. Novice FP
Sunday, Nov. 12 th 2017	Young Categories

This schedule is subject to change!
After closing of entries a detailed schedule will be published