



WORLD SPRINT SPEED SKATING
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ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2018
Changchun, China

Announcement

March 3-4, 2018
Changchun Speed Skating Oval
Changchun, China

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On behalf of Chinese Skating Association, the Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

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which will be held in Changchun, China on March 3-4, 2018

PROGRAM

Friday, March 2, 2018	16:00	Team leaders Meeting, Shangri-La Hotel
	18:00	Opening Draw, Shangri-La Hotel
Saturday, March 3, 2018	16:30	Opening Ceremony
	17:00	500 m Ladies
		500 m Men
		1000 m Ladies
		1000 m Men
	Drawing for Sunday's distances	
Sunday, March 4, 2018	16:00	500 m Ladies
		500 m Men
		1000 m Ladies
		1000 m Men
		Awards Ceremony

REGULATIONS

The ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2018 will be held in accordance with the 2016 Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU) and relevant ISU Communications, in particular ISU Communication No. 2118.

Participation in the Championships is open to skaters who belong to an ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 1) that has been allocated quota place(s) for the Championships, and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 2118.

TRACK

Jilin Provincial Speed Skating Oval is an indoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radii of 26 and 30 meters respectively. The width of the inside training track is 4 meters.

TITLE AND AWARDS

The winners of the Championships are the Skaters with the lowest total of points after 4 distances have been completed (Rule 265, paragraph 2 and 268, paragraph 1).

The winner will bear the title: "Lady World Sprint Speed Skating Champion for 2018" and "World Sprint Speed Skating Champion for 2018", respectively (Rule 133, paragraph b), and will each be awarded the ISU Championships gold medal. The Skaters placed second and third in the final classification after 4 distances will be awarded the ISU Championships silver and bronze medals, respectively.

Prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 1976, or any further update of this Communication.

ENTRIES

Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events available at www.isu.org, section Speed Skating or at <http://isu.events/login.php>

The entry quotas will be determined partly by the results from the World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2017 and partly by results achieved during the ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competition in Erfurt, GER, on January 19-21, 2018, in accordance with Rule 208, paragraph 6, and ISU Communication No. 2118. The actual

entry quotas which will apply will be communicated by the ISU to the ISU Members concerned in due time before the deadline for final entries.

According to ISU Communication No. 2103 and Rule 208, paragraph 6, the following ISU Members have been pre-allocated entry quotas:

Ladies

Austria	1 competitor	Kazakhstan	1 competitor
Canada	1 competitor	Netherlands	2 competitors
China	1 competitor *	Norway	1 competitor
Czech Republic	1 competitor	Russia	2 competitors
Germany	1 competitor	USA	2 competitors
Japan	2 competitors		

Men

Canada	2 competitors	Netherlands	2 competitors
China	1 competitor *	Norway	1 competitor
Finland	1 competitor	Poland	1 competitor
Germany	2 competitors	Republic of Korea	1 competitor
Japan	2 competitors	USA	2 competitors
Kazakhstan	1 competitor		

* as hosting ISU Member

Additional quota places up to the total of 28 quota places per gender (with a maximum of 3 competitors per ISU Member) will be allocated based on results at ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competition in Erfurt, GER, on January 19-21, 2018. See ISU Communication No. 2118 for details.

The Preliminary entry with the estimated number of Competitors & substitutes and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and Team leader must be communicated to the Organizing Committee at the latest **by February 13, 2018** (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Final entries including the names of the Competitors and substitute(s) available to compete (maximum one (1) substitute per gender), as well as the names of the Team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is requested must reach the Organizing Committee at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on February 28, 2018 (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Please note that for all persons entered by the ISU Members the procedures regarding the Declaration for Competitors and Officials (all team Officials requiring an accreditation) entering ISU Events (Rule 131) as outlined in ISU Communication 1628 need to be strictly observed.

For more details please refer to Rules 115, 131, 208 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797.

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the ISU Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another ISU Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

DRAWING

The drawings will be made in accordance with Rules 239. For grouping and drawing Rule 242, paragraphs 1 and 2 apply.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1922 and 2117 or any further updates of these Communications).

LIABILITY

In accordance with the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, Chinese Skating Association and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with this Championship. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday, February 26, 2018. Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours. Trial starts will be organised on Friday, March 2, 2018, times will be announced in the training schedule.

BOARD AND LODGING

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel from **lunch on Friday, March 2 until lunch on Monday, March 5, 2018** (Rule 137 paragraphs 10 and 14) for all Competitors participating in the Championships and 1 Team leader or coach for each ISU Member. Expenses of other Skaters and officials (i.e. coaches, other team staff members and accompanying persons) other than those mentioned above, and expenses before or after the period mentioned above, will be at their own expense.

Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the

Shangri-La Hotel Changchun
569 Xian Road, Changchun, 130061, China
Tel: +86 431 8186 8888
Fax: +86 431 8898 1919
Website: www.shangri-la.com/changchun/shangri-la
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Hotel prices (both including taxes):

Single room with full board for 1 person – 1100 RMB Yuan (appr. US\$167) per person per night

Double room with full board for 2 persons – 900 RMB Yuan (appr. US\$137) per person per night

Payment options: Wire transfer, Cash in RMB Yuan, or Credit card. (There will be a 4% commission charged if paid by credit card)

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday, February 26, 2018 to Monday, March 5, 2018 from and to the Changchun Longjia International Airport. Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service.

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice-rink from Monday, February 26, 2018.

The Organizing Committee must be informed via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events about the date and time of arrival and departure of the competitors and officials as soon as possible, but at the latest by Tuesday, February 13, 2018.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact the Chinese Skating Association if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following materials by e-mail as soon as possible, **no later than noon (local time), Thursday January 25, 2018:**

- Visa Application Form and Passport copies

Please submit all these information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas completed in due time. **Due to Chinese national holidays and 2018 Olympic Winter Games, Ministry-issued invitation letter cannot be guaranteed if materials were submitted later than due time.**

ACCREDITATIONS

A color picture must be sent to the OC for each team member for preliminary printing of the accreditation (*.jpg format, size 35 per 44 mm, white background).

The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, shuttle transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. Additional fee of € 50,00 for each extra accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

All inquiries should be addressed to:

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MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Media accreditation requests for ISU Championships must be submitted via the ISU Online Media Accreditation System <http://www.wingsmedia.it/isu/>

Information for the media will be available on the ISU website in due time.

For further information contact the OC Press Officer:

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WEB SITE

Information concerning the competition will be available at the following website:

<http://skating.sport.org.cn/sk/>

Live results of the competition will be available at the following website:

<http://live.isureresults.eu/2017-2018/changchun>