



**ISU EUROPEAN SPEED SKATING  
CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018  
KOLOMNA, RUSSIA  
JANUARY 5-7, 2018**

**Media Information**



Russian Skating Union looks forward to hosting media attending the ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2018 in Kolomna, Russia. The event will be held at Speed Skating Centre «Kolomna», January 5-7, 2018.

This information will assist you in planning your trip to Kolomna and to apply for media accreditation to cover the event. Every effort will be made to ensure journalists have all the appropriate facilities necessary to work at the event.

The press centre and press tribune will be open and operational for the first practice/training session on Monday, January 1, 2018 starting from 14:00 (first training session time is 15:30 – 16:15).

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Additional information and updates as required will be posted on the ISU website as they become available. If you need more information, or have questions, please contact:

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## Media Accreditation Information

**All media** must apply for media accreditation through the ISU online media accreditation system on the International Skating Union (ISU) website ([www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org)) under «Media Accreditation». Alternatively click [here](#) to get direct access.

Only professional journalists, editors and photographers operating for editorial purpose, or producing an item containing informative content, will be accredited. Editorial use implies use by a media organization, including: agencies, newspapers, magazines, TV, radio, Internet, and/or an extension within an existing multimedia company (newspaper, magazine, TV, agency), as well as representatives from ISU Member federations acting as media for their press and communication activities. Informative content implies editing of original information.

The deadline to apply for media accreditation is December 29, 2017. All media must provide the following documentation when applying for media accreditation and further information could be requested:

1. Copy of current professional media or journalist card
2. ID photo in .jpg.
3. *If not in possession of a professional media card, a comment must be added to the note box provided and a letter from your editor confirming your assignment must be uploaded to your application.*

Accreditation will be granted to professional journalists and photographers only.

**Writing Press** (newspaper, magazine, internet, agencies and ISU Member Federations): maximum two professionals per organization

**Photographer:** maximum one professional per organization (agencies and major newspapers: maximum two professionals)

**Television non-right holder:** maximum three professionals per organization

**Radio non-right holder:** maximum one professional per organization

**Freelancer:** A freelance journalist or photographer is a full time professional editor or photographer, who is not employed by an agency or newspaper – a self-employed professional. A freelance editor or photographer must provide written evidence that he/she operates on behalf of a clearly identified media. A freelance editor or photographer operating under his/her own account will not be accepted.

**The total number of accredited media representatives will be subject to space available. The Organizing Committee (OC) and ISU reserve the right to refuse accreditation should the number of applications exceed given space or if any requested information / documentation has not been provided in due time.**

**Rights holding TV and radio** must also apply for accreditation via the ISU online media accreditation system. Access to the Right Holders area is restricted, therefore Right Holders are invited to contact the ISU Media Team [media@isu.ch](mailto:media@isu.ch) in order to obtain a username and password. To book any broadcasting services or facilities please contact the host Broadcaster:

TV Industry Ltd., 127550, Moscow, Pryanishnikova St, 19a, Bld. 9.  
Natalya Kovalenko  
Email: [n.kovalenko@tv-industry.ru](mailto:n.kovalenko@tv-industry.ru)  
Tel: +7 (916) 646-79-25

### Accreditation Confirmation

If the accreditation request is accepted, an automatic email of confirmation will be issued. You may be asked to present a copy of the email of confirmation to receive your accreditation badge.

You will also be notified if your accreditation request is denied. Please note that the ISU and OC reserve the right to refuse accreditation with or without justification.

### Media Accommodation

The OC recommends four options for media accommodation. Shuttle transportation will be arranged from two remote hotels to the main venue once a day to the venue and once a day back to the hotels. Exact shuttle schedules will be provided on site. Please be advised that the transportation service will only be available for the remote media hotels recommended by OC. It is the responsibility of the individual media persons to book their own accommodation and to take on any cancellation fees.

1. Sovetskaya Hotel (budget option)  
Kolomna, Prospekt Kirova 1  
Ekaterina Fedoseeva  
Email: [fedoseeva115@mail.ru](mailto:fedoseeva115@mail.ru)  
Official website: <http://gost-sov.ru/> (only in Russian Language but also available at booking.com or tripadvisor.ru)
2. Guest House in Kolomna (mid-range option)  
Kolomna, Malaya Zaprudnaya St, 16a  
+7 (925) 205-55-88  
Official website: <http://www.xn--b1abdz.xn--p1ai/> (only in Russian Language but also available at booking.com)  
Walking distance from Skating Center (no transportation provided). Located in historical part of Kolomna City.
3. 40<sup>th</sup> Meridian (top price options)
  - 40<sup>th</sup> Meridian Arbat  
Kolomna, Vodovozny Lane, 12  
Walking distance from Skating Center (no transportation provided). Located at Kolomenka river in historical part of Kolomna City.
  - 40<sup>th</sup> Meridian Yacht Club  
Kolomna, Beregovaya str. 48  
Official website: <http://40meridian.ru/en/>  
Booking for both options can be done through one manager:  
Natalya Murasheva  
E-mail: [s1@40meridian.ru](mailto:s1@40meridian.ru)

## Transportation & Telecommunications

### Transportation

#### **You can get to Kolomna from Moscow:**

##### **By train**

Trains leave from Kazansky railway station in Moscow approximately every hour.

There are three types of trains.

1. Most go to the main railway station of Kolomna – Golutvin (Голутвин) and take 2 hours and 20 minutes. The fare is 286 RUB as of November 2017.
2. The REX (РЭК) trains to Golutvin take about 2 hours. The fare is 286 RUB as of November 2017.
3. Expresses to Ryazan stopping at Golutvin railway station are faster and take around an hour and a half. The fare is 340 RUB as of November 2017.

The railway station Golutvin is not located in the historical and administrative centre of the city, it takes around 45-50 minutes on foot (or about 15-20 minutes by tram number 3) to get there and to the Speed Skating Centre «Kolomna».

The railway station Kolomna is in walking distance to the historical part of the city and the Speed Skating Centre «Kolomna» (15 minutes on foot). It's the penultimate stop on the Moscow-Golutvin route.

##### **By bus**

Buses (number 460, from Kotelniki bus station to Golutvin) from Moscow cost around 250 RUB (as of November 2017) and depart more often but there's a risk to get stuck in a traffic jam around the border of Moscow city. The terminal bus station in Kolomna for all intercity lines is also Golutvin, near the main railway station. Buses from Moscow pass through the historical part of Kolomna where a legal station is and stopping is allowed.

The OC will provide free shuttle service for press and media on two remote accommodation options mentioned above "Hotel - Ice arena - Hotel". The media shuttle to the arena is scheduled 90 minutes before the start of the competition and the shuttle back to the hotel is scheduled 2 hours after the event. A detailed schedule will be posted on the bulletin board in the media hotel. Media shuttle service starts on the day of the first official training.

### Telecommunications

All media areas will have a media dedicated WIFI internet access at the press tribune and in the press centre. There will also be limited number of cabled internet connections.

### Useful Information

You must obtain visas prior to travelling to Russia. You should ensure that your visa is correct (passport number, date of birth) and valid. It is virtually impossible to amend visa details once you are in Russia. After obtaining accreditation to the Championships from ISU you can request an invitation letter at the official website of the event. The local currency is the Russian Ruble (RUB), divided into 100 kopeks. Current exchange rate as of November 2017 – 59.18 RUB for 1\$ USD / 68.92 rubles for 1 EUR.

### **Emergency and useful numbers**

Police: 02 or 112

Ambulance: 03 or 112

Fire brigades: 01 or 112

International calls: 8-10, code of country, code of city and number

### **Visa Application**

Media representatives requiring an official invitation letter in order to apply for a visa must contact the Organizing Committee. Please note that an official invitation letter will only be provided to approved media representatives.

### **Event Schedule**

**Monday, January 1 – Wednesday, January 3, 2018:** practice

**Thursday, January 4, 2018:** trial starts,

16.00 Team leaders Meeting at the Speed Skating Centre «Kolomna»

18.00 Opening Draw at the Speed Skating Centre «Kolomna»

**Friday, January 5, 2018:**

15.45 Opening Ceremony

16:30 500 m Ladies, 500 m Men, 1 500 m Ladies, 1 500 m Men

**Saturday, January 6, 2018:** 15:15 1 000 m Ladies, 1 000 m Men, 3 000 m Ladies, 5 000 m Men

**Sunday, January 7, 2018:** 16:30 Team Pursuit Ladies, Team Pursuit Men, Team Sprint Ladies, Team Sprint Men, Mass start Ladies, Mass start Men

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