

# NEBELHORN TROPHY 2018 FRITZ-GEIGER-MEMORIAL TROPHY 2018



Part of the ISU Challenger Series 2018/2019

## INFORMATION GUIDE























Ladies and Gentlemen, dear Skaters,

the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the famous "Nebelhorn Trophy" – what a remarkable jubilee. It was in 1969 when the first edition of the event was staged in the way it is organized today. Since then, many very well-known Skaters, among them a notable number of Olympic gold medallists and world champions, have participated in the Nebelhorn Trophy. On the occasion of the anniversary edition, the German federation will organize a small exhibition in the "Oberstdorf Haus" in the city center presenting the history and significance of the event to all visitors and fans. Looking forward to the 2018 edition, we would like to make your journey as comfortable as possible. This information guide should help you prepare your stay in Oberstdorf.

The 2018 Nebelhorn Trophy is again part of the ISU Challenger Series allowing to collect points for the ISU World Standing and the required technical minimum scores. As in previous years, the ISU Judges Examination will take place as well.

In particular, we would like to express our deepest thanks to the International Skating Union for their confidence and trust. We wish all guests and the participants from all around the world a very warm welcome and the best of luck.

Dieter Hillebrand Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V. President





## **A**REA

Oberstdorf is located in the southern area of Germany and is the center of tourism within the region called "Oberallgäu". While about 10.000 inhabitants live in Oberstdorf, more than 20.000 beds are available for guests during the year.

As Oberstdorf was the first German community to close the city center for motor traffic, the pedestrian area is one of the biggest in the world (227.500 square meters). The altitude of



the village itself is 813m; the highest mountain nearby, the Nebelhorn, is over 2.200m high. All kinds of sporting activities can be practiced there. Magnificent ski areas, more than 200km of well-equipped walking tracks in seven valleys, also being used for cross-country skiing in the wintertime, mountain climbing, golf, rafting and many other indoor and outdoor activities are offered. Nevertheless, one of the main attraction in Oberstdorf is the National Training Centre for Figure Skating.

## **VENUE**

Two side-by-side 30x60m sized, fully air-conditioned ice rinks, one with 1.600 spectator seats and the smaller one with 600 spectator seats, as well as a 20x45m sized curling rink are the heart of the National Training Centre for Figure Skating in Oberstdorf. A dormitory school with 44 beds, mainly used by the German Ski Federation, a restaurant, a fitness

center, a fully equipped center for medical treatment and a sauna are available for Skaters living there for a certain period of time. Many famous Skaters from Germany and other countries have benefitted from the excellent facilities, among them Jane Torvill and Christopher Dean, Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay, Norbert Schramm, Scott Hamilton, Susanna Rahkamo and Petri Kokko, Kati Winkler and René Lohse, Carolina Kostner, Tomas Verner, and Aljona Savchenko and Bruno Massot. Oberstdorf has always been the place for figure skating and since 1958, when the first summer skating facility was opened, the reputation of the center within the skating family has even increased.



## THE COMPETITION



The Nebelhorn Trophy is one of the oldest and most traditional international events in figure skating licenced by the ISU. Organized for the first time in 1963 as an international dance event around Easter, it later on became an international competition for juniors. Since 1969, it has been staged in the way it is organized today. Hence, in 2018 the Nebelhorn Trophy celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

After the Games is before the Games - Being part of the







Challenger series, the Nebelhorn Trophy is traditionally one of the first competitions of the season on the way towards the next Olympics. The road is thus well paved for future stars.

## HOTEL

All Competitors, Coaches and Team Leaders as well as Team Officials, Medical Staff and Chaperones are asked to take care of their accommodation and bear their own expenses. Hotel accommodation can be booked with the help of the following agency:

Tourismus Oberstdorf im Oberstdorf Haus

- Reservierungszentrale -

Prinzregenten-Platz 1; D-87561 Oberstdorf / Germany

Phone: +49 8322 700 1300

E-mail: reservierung@oberstdorf.de

The OC will book the accommodation for the Judges confirmed for the competition as well as the Participants of the Judges Examination.

The accommodation for the Participants of the Judges Examination and all event Officials will be individually announced at a later stage.

#### **EXPENSES**

The OC will cover costs for accommodation and meals for all Referees, Judges drawn for the panel, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operators, and the members of the ISU Technical Committees from

Tuesday, September 25, 2018, starting with dinner until Sunday, September 30, 2018, ending with breakfast.

The period of coverage for the Participants of the Judges Examination will be announced in the respective ISU Communication.

The OC will provide the respective persons with meal coupons, which are only valid in the restaurant at the skating arena.

All other Team Members have to bear their own expenses.

Travel expenses will be covered by the OC for all Referees, the Technical Panels as well as the Data and Replay Operators.

## **JUDGES EXAMINATIONS**

The Judges Examinations for promotion to "ISU Judge" status are organized and conducted by the individual Technical Committees.

## **CALCULATION OF EVENTS**

The events will be calculated according to rule 352 and 353.





## **PANEL OF JUDGES**

It is the intention of the OC to accept as many Judges as required and needed. We will, however, inform the members concerned prior to any flight bookings about who has been accepted as Judge and whose entry needs to be cancelled. For this purpose, a preliminary draw will be made in public.

If it is necessary, a split of the panel with a draw on site will decide which Judges will start to judge the first segment and which Judges will serve in the second segment (see also the principles of ISU Rule 582).

## WORLD RANKING POINTS

The Nebelhorn Trophy, being part of the Challenger Series, will count for world ranking points. Skaters/Couples placed in the top eight (8) in the Single Disciplines and the top five (5) in Pairs and the top six (6) in Ice Dance will be awarded points according to the respective ISU Communication 1994.

## **ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE**

When entering your flight details to Munich airport into ORS in time, <u>you will be</u> <u>automatically registered for the bus shuttle from Munich airport to Oberstdorf</u> <u>and vice versa</u>. The costs per person and one way are € 50,00 and have to be paid at the OC-Office in the arena before accreditation. In case you do not require a pick-up service, please use the "individual arrival" button.

#### **IMPORTANT**

When booking your flights, please make sure that

- no arrival time in Munich should be planned later than 18.00 h
- no departure from Munich should be planned before 11.00 h

It is nearly impossible to reach Oberstdorf by public transport for those who will arrive outside of this time-range and there is no chance to catch flights going earlier than indicated above. The earliest train from Oberstdorf is leaving at 06:00 am. An overnight stay in Munich would be necessary, but due to the "Oktoberfest" in Munich, all hotels will be fully booked.

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

Oberstdorf, located in the south of Germany, is easy to reach.

#### By plane

<u>Airport Munich – official airport</u>

There is an airport shuttle-train to Munich central station (follow the green signs to S1 or S8). It takes 45 min. to reach Munich central station, where you need to change train to go to Oberstdorf. For the train connection from Munich central station to Oberstdorf please see "by train".





#### By train



#### Munich Main Station - official train station

Nearly every hour a train runs from Munich to Oberstdorf. Most of them go directly to Oberstdorf without any necessary change of train. The time to calculate is approximately 2 1/2 hours.

Other train connections from the northern part of Germany go directly to Oberstdorf via Ulm.

The train ride leads you through the beautiful area of southern Bavaria and stops in the oldest Roman settlement in Germany, Kempten.

#### By car



#### Munich to Oberstdorf

Please take the motorway to Kempten either via Munich or Ulm.

Distances: Munich - Oberstdorf 220 km

Oberstdorf is also easy to reach from Zürich (SUI) via St. Gallen, St.

Margarethen and Bregenz.

## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

#### **Passport and Visa Requirements**

All citizens from the Schengen area may enter Germany without presenting their passport. For citizens from other countries a valid passport is necessary. Please consult the German Embassy or Consulate whether you need a visa in addition.

#### **VAT**

The VAT is always included in the price presented to the customers/guests in shops and restaurants etc. Normally it amounts to 19 %, but for hotels it is only 7%. Refunds of VAT is in general not possible. In Germany it is not mandatory to tip the waiter in restaurants, it is, however, very welcome.

#### **Currency & Banks**

The currency used in Germany is EURO ( $\in$ ). The banks in Oberstdorf are all closed Saturdays and Sundays. The opening hours are as following:

Banks in Oberstdorf	Days	Opening hours
Raiffeisenbank Oberstdorf Nebelhornstr. 2	Mon. – Wen. Thu. Fri.	08:30 - 16:00 08:30 - 18:00 08:30 - 15:00
Sparkasse Oberstdorf Bahnhofsplatz 2 (near the train station)	Mo. – Thu. Wed. Fri.	08:30 - 12:00 & 14:00 - 16:00 afternoon closed 08:30 - 16:00

#### **Electricity**

Electrical sockets are 220 – 240 V AC 50 Hz, using 2 pin plugs.





## **A**CCREDITATION

The accreditation office is located in the skating arena, ice rink 2, and is open from Tuesday, September 25, at noon until the competition is concluded. Please see also the operating hours displayed there.

Accepted Team Members will receive an ID pass for the whole period of the event. Accepted Chaperones need to purchase tickets at the official online shop or ticket counter.

## **MUSIC**

Based on the new rule, accepted at the ISU Congress 2016 concerning "digital music", the OC decided upon the following solution:

"In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1 all Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality in digital audio file. The OC of the Nebelhorn Trophy requests that the music files will be submitted preferably on CD or any other transportable independent free accessible medium on site at the time of registration. The Organizing Committee will keep the medium with the music files until the end of the competition, therefore it is not acceptable to use any kind of smart phone, tablet or similar medium to provide the music. Each program (Short Program, Free Skating, Short Dance, Free Dance) must be recorded on a separate file. In addition, Competitors/Couples must provide a CD as back-up medium for each program."

## **DRAWS**

The OC implements the decision of the ISU Congress 2018, Rule 513, paragraph 2, and will use the "reverse order system" for the final Free Skating/Free Dance.

## **EXHIBITION**

The top 3 placed Skaters/Couples in each discipline as well as additional Skaters/Couples are invited to participate in the final exhibition on Saturday, September 29, 2018, starting at 20:15 p.m.

## FRITZ-GEIGER-MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Fritz-Geiger-Memorial Trophy is a team event within the Nebelhorn Trophy. Only the best placed Skater/Couple of each participating ISU Member will count for points according to the scale explained in detail in the official announcement. The Trophy is named after the former President of the German Skating Federation, Mr. Fritz Geiger, who used to be the director of the tourist board in Oberstdorf and the initiator of the skating center. The Trophy has been donated by US Figure Skating.





## **ENVIRONMENT**

The Organizing Committee highly supports the activity of the IOC and ISU not to use any plastic material on the occasion of our event. We will, for example, only provide glass bottles in our VIP Lounge, no plastic bottles, and only water dispensers in the skaters' area. Consequently, we kindly ask our Teams to use their own "drinking bottles/cups" for filling-up. Thank you for your understanding and support.

## **CONTACT**

Please send any request concerning the competition to

Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V. Menzingerstrasse 68 D-80992 Munich

phone: +49 89 85 60 94 20 fax: +49 89 85 60 94 26 E-mail: event@eislauf-union.de

With respect to the involvement of the ISU in the event, any questions related to the Challenger Series or the tests and/or the Judges Examination should be addressed to

International Skating Union Mrs. Patricia Mayor Chemin de Primerose 2 CH-1007 Lausanne entries@isu.ch

or

Peter Krick Consultant Am Schorn 38 D-82327 Tutzing

peter.krick@eventint.com Phone: +49 8158 903068





## PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGES)

#### Wednesday, September 26, 2018

Official Practice

16:00 h Team Leaders' Meeting

17:45 h Judges Draw + Initial Judges Meeting for all Judges and

**Judges Examination** 

#### Thursday, September 27, 2018

11:00 h Ladies Short Program

Ice Dance Rhythm Dance Pairs Short Program

#### Friday, September 28, 2018

11:00 h Men Short Program

Ladies Free Skating Ice Dance Free Dance

#### Saturday, September 29, 2018

07:30 h Round Table Discussion Ladies

Round Table Discussion Ice Dance

11:00 h Men Free Skating

Pairs Free Skating

18:00 h Round Table Discussion Men 20:00 h Round Table Discussion Pairs

20:15 h Exhibition

#### Sunday, September 30, 2018

08:30 h Meetings Technical Committees Single & Pairs and

Ice Dance

Departure

Good luck, have a nice and safe travel to Oberstdorf.
Your Organizing Committee