

ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021

Questions and Answers

How will the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 be held?

The International Skating Union (ISU) is working closely with the Swedish Figure Skating Association in order to host the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021. The health and safety of the participants of international ice skating events remains the number one priority for the ISU. Mindful of the concern for health and safety related to COVID-19 but also the need to give Skaters the best possible opportunities to compete internationally, the ISU will give its utmost support to ISU Members in order to stage all international competitions that can safely be held during the season 2020/21, including for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 scheduled to take place in Stockholm (SWE) on March 22-28, 2021.

The Organizing Committee (OC) and the ISU will create a safe environment for all, including Skaters, team staff, Officials and all other persons involved in the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021. The OC and ISU are working with the Swedish public health authorities on the health regulations that will be published shortly. These regulations exclusively and specifically will apply to the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 which will be held Stockholm (SWE).

Therefore, a Competition Bubble will be created to ensure a safe environment for all with the aim to minimize the risk of infection and at restricting the number of persons identified as close contacts in the event of infection. The clear common goals are: to safeguard the health of Skaters, Team Members and everyone involved in the ISU Event and to guarantee that the Championships can go ahead.

What are the health and safety measures in place to protect the Skaters and Officials at the event?

The health and safety of the participants of international ice skating events remains the number one priority for the Organizing Committee and the ISU. Although the ISU Guidelines to hold [ISU Events during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) are published, detailed health regulations for the Championships will also be published shortly

Among several safety measures, Covid-19 tests are mandatory before arrival, upon arrival and during the Championships week as well as a daily health screening.

Are there any travel restrictions that might affect the Skaters wanting to compete at the World Championships?

Although the Swedish government announced a travel ban from certain countries, an exception is made for persons participating in international sporting events. Therefore, Athletes, Team Members, Officials and other service-related event stakeholders will not be restricted from travelling to Sweden for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021. Media, however, is excluded from that

exception and travel restrictions will apply. The latest information on entry rules for Sweden are available [here](#).

Will there be public allowed inside the Ericsson Globe?

Currently the Swedish government does not allow any spectators. However if the situation were to improve and the Swedish government lifts the restrictions, a small number of spectators could be allowed.

The ISU and the Organizing Committee would evaluate the situation if it were to change and take into consideration all aspects to guarantee a safe environment.

How can the public watch the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021?

Viewers will be able to watch the Figure Skating competitions either via their national broadcaster / channel and/or for countries where there are no broadcasters, the ISU will offer a live stream on the [Skating ISU YouTube Channel](#).

All the information will be available in the Where to Watch which will be published closer to the Championships.

What is the Minimum Total Element Score required to qualify for the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021?

Please refer to [ISU Communications No. 2370](#).

How could Skaters or new Couples that did not compete in the past season or did not have the Minimum Total Element Score obtain it as there were very few international competitions this season?

Please refer to [ISU Communications No. 2370](#).

When will we know who will compete at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021?

The entry deadline is March 1, 2021, 21 days before the first day of the Championships

Will the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 be a qualifying event for the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games?

The ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 is a qualification event for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. The second qualification event will be the Nebelhorn Trophy which is scheduled to take place in Oberstdorf (GER) September 22-25, 2021.

Further information on the qualification system for Beijing 2022 can be found [here](#).

Since these Championships serve as a Qualification Competition for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games

in Beijing, the Council will review the Olympic Qualification status at its next meeting. Depending on the actual entries received by the deadline of March 1, 2021, the ISU Council will evaluate and decide at that time whether and which changes to the Olympic qualification system could be necessary.

How can the media cover the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021?

Due to the required sanitary measures, a limited number of on-site media will be accredited with restricted venue access on-site. Nevertheless, media will also have the possibility of covering the event remotely. Media accreditations are expected to open shortly.