



NEBELHORN TROPHY 2021

QUALIFYING COMPETITION
FIGURE SKATING
FOR THE
2022 OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES
IN BEIJING/CHINA



PART OF THE ISU CHALLENGER SERIES 2021/2022

FIRST INFORMATION



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Dear Participating Members

The 53rd Nebelhorn Trophy will be the official Qualifying Event for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing/China and will also be part of the "ISU Challenger Series 2021/2022".

Besides the World Figure Skating Championships 2021 in Stockholm/Sweden, the "Trophy" in Oberstdorf will be the only additional opportunity to qualify for the participation in the Olympic Winter Games 2022. In addition, the examinations for Judges for the Qualification "ISU" are again scheduled in combination with the event.

That framework requires two competitions, the Qualifying Event and the usual **Nebelhorn Trophy including the Memorial-Team-Trophy**, named after the former President of the German Federation, Fritz Geiger. The 2021 Nebelhorn Trophy is an ISU World Ranking Competition with more points due to the "ISU Challenger Series", an own ranking system and additional prize money for the overall best ranked skaters/couples at the end of the Series.

We offer our deepest thanks to the International Skating Union for their confidence & trust that our Federation will get the chance to host again this essential competition.

With this First Information we would like to facilitate your travel preparations. We are looking forward to welcoming you in Oberstdorf.

Yours sincerely,

Dieter Hillebrand
Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V.
President

AREA



Oberstdorf is located in the southern area of Germany and is the centre of tourism within the region called „Oberallgäu“. About 10.000 inhabitants live in Oberstdorf, but more than 20.000 beds are available for guests.

The pedestrian area in the village might be the biggest one in the world (227.500 square meters) – only a few streets are available for traffic. Oberstdorf was the first community in Germany which kept cars outside the village.

The altitude of the village itself is 813 m; the highest mountain next door, the „Nebelhorn“, is over 2.200 m. This mountain gave the competition its name. All kind of sport activities are possible. Magnificent ski areas, more than 200 km of well-equipped walking ways into seven valleys, used also for cross-country skiing in the wintertime, mountain climbing, golf, rafting and many other indoor and outdoor activities are offered, but one of the main attractions in Oberstdorf is the National Training Centre for Figure Skating, which is also acknowledged as one of the „ISU Centre of Excellence in Figure Skating“.

VENUE



Two 30x60m sized & fully air-conditioned ice rinks, side by side, one with 1.600 spectator seats and the smaller one with 600 spectator seats as well as a Curling rink (also used for all kinds of skating, with the ice surface of 20x45m, fully air-conditioned) are the heart of the National Training Centre for Figure Skating in Oberstdorf.

Many famous skaters from Germany and other countries like Jane Torvill and Christopher Dean, Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay, Norbert Schramm, Scott Hamilton, Susanna Rahkamo and Petri Kokko or the bronze medallists of the ISU World Championships 2004 Kati Winkler and Renè Lohse, Carolina Kostner, Tomas Verner and the Olympic Champions Aljona Savchenko and Bruno Massot used the excellent facilities of the training-centre. Oberstdorf has always been the place for figure skating and since 1958, when they opened the first summer skating facility, the name of the center has a special sound within the skating family.

The small "Curling Rink" will be rebuilt for the competition to locate all necessary rooms and facilities (warm-up area, Skating Lounge, Media Center, Judges rooms, test facilities, offices, etc.).

Since the beginning of 2020, the Skating complex is also labelled as the "ISU Centre of Excellence in Figure Skating".



THE COMPETITION



The “Nebelhorn Trophy” is one of the oldest and most traditional international events in Figure Skating within the ISU. Created in 1963 first as an international dance event around Easter, moved to an international competition for Juniors and finally in 1969 established in the format of today. 2021 is the 53rd edition of this event.

The competition will take place from

September 22 – September 25, 2021

Competition Format 2021

The “2021 Nebelhorn Trophy” will include the following competitions

- Qualifying competition for the Olympic Winter Games 2022
- “Nebelhorn Trophy 2021”
- “Fritz Geiger Memorial Trophy”

All competitions are included into the “Challenger Series 2021.”



Qualifying competition for the Olympic Winter Games 2022

Participation is open with one (1) competitor/couple in each discipline (Men, Women, Pairs and Ice Dance) for those ISU Members, who did not already qualify with their results at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 in Stockholm for the Olympic Winter Games 2022 or will have the chance for an additional skater/couple to be entered – see also ISU-Communication 2388 and the chart included in the official announcement for the Event.

The Qualifying competition and the “Nebelhorn-Trophy” will create one result, but for the qualification an own ranking will be designed. In total,

7 Men
6 Women
3 Pairs
4 Ice Dance couples

will qualify a spot for the Olympic Games for their ISU member. The result of the event will also create the list of “Alternates” which will be used in case of cancellations.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for accommodation and full board for skaters, confirmed and participating in the Qualifying competition and all Judges serving during the period of

September 21st, 2021 (Dinner) to September 26th, 2021 (breakfast)

Travel costs will be covered by the entered Member.

Entered skaters and Judges will have priority for the competition.

“Nebelhorn Trophy 2021”

The competition is also open with the entry of one (1) competitor/couple primarily for those ISU Members, who reached the places 1 to 10 (Member ranking) in the “Nebelhorn-Trophy 2020” in each discipline (Men, Women, Pairs and Ice Dance). These are

MEN	AUT, EST, ITA, LAT, SWE, SUI, TUR,
WOMEN	CZE, EST, FIN, NED, SWE, SUI,
PAIRS	CZE, FRA, ITA,
ICE DANCE	CZE, FRA, GBR, NED, SUI, UKR,

Additional skaters or a second or third entry of already ranked Members (as above) might be accepted after the entry deadline. In line with the qualifying criteria of the Olympic Winter Games, entries for the Qualifying Event will have priority.



The quota for the host country (Germany) is not limited.

A stand-by list of requested participations will also be in place.

For Competitors of the "Nebelhorn-Trophy" only:

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for accommodation and full board only for Judges of the above-mentioned ISU-Members and only if drawn in a panel during the period of

September 21st, 2021 (Dinner) to September 26th, 2021 (breakfast)

Costs for the skaters and all Team Members are with the entered Member.

"Fritz-Geiger-Memorial Team Trophy"

The "Fritz-Geiger-Memorial Team Trophy" is a Team Event in which both "competitions" are included. The calculation of this Team event is been explained in the official announcement.

Panel of Judges

The panels of Judges will be composed primarily with Judges of Members, who have an entry in the respective competition with the priority given to Judges from Members, who participate with an entry for the Olympic Qualification. If possible, Judges should not serve in more than one competition. The qualification must be "**ISU Judge**". Judges of the "Nebelhorn-Trophy" will complete the panels if required.

Each panel of Judges will consist of a minimum of 7 and a maximum of 9 Judges.

Entries

A Preliminary Entry by number is requested for the "Qualifying Competition" as well as for the "Nebelhorn Trophy" by

July 1st, 2021

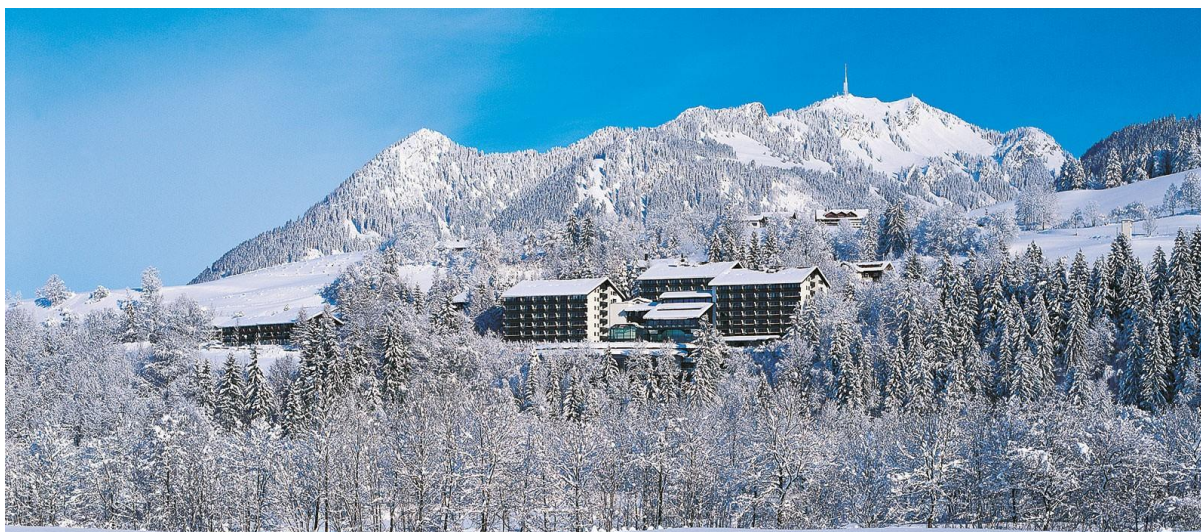
while the final entry deadline with names will be the August 27th, – 20:00 h local time Oberstdorf.

Preliminary Schedule

Sep. 21, 2021	Day of Arrival
Sep. 22, 2021	First day of Practice, all Meetings
Sep. 23 – 25, 2021	Competition days, Round Table Discussions, Exhibition (if possible)
Sep. 25, 2021	Draw for the Panel of Judges for the Olympic Winter Games 2022
Sep. 26, 2021	Departure

Due to the Pandemic restrictions, spectators might not be possible or will be very much limited. Therefore, a decision, if an Exhibition will be possible, cannot be made at that time.

THE OFFICIAL HOTEL



The "Allgäu Stern Hotel" is the official event hotel.

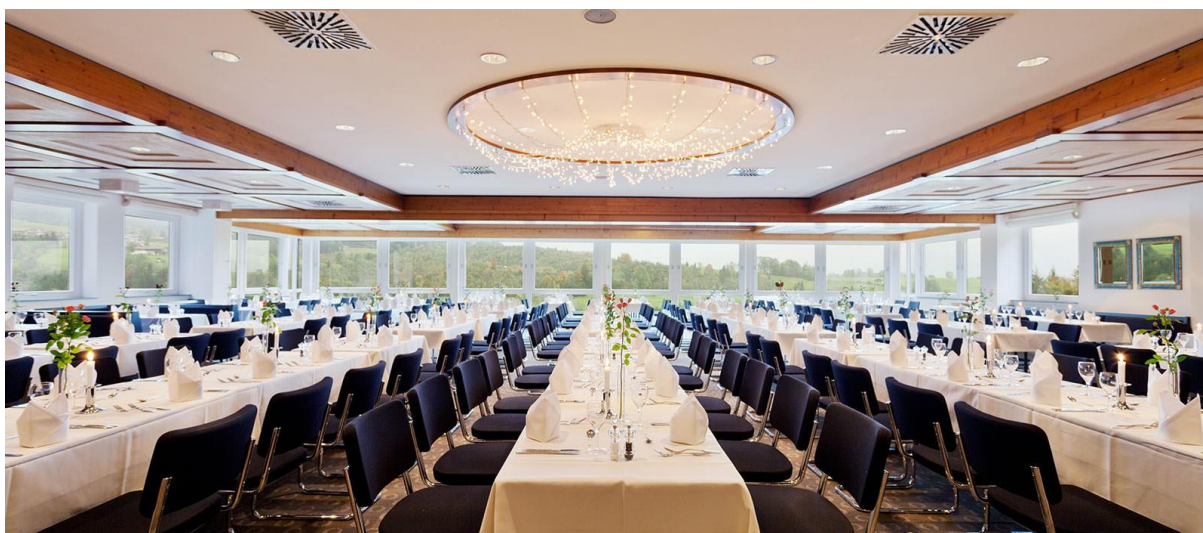
The "Deutsche Eislauf-Union" will pay the accommodation for all athletes who participate in the Qualification Event for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games (see above). All these athletes will be accommodated at the official event hotel.

It is located in Sonthofen near Oberstdorf:

Buchfinkenweg 2
D-87527 Sonthofen
Germany



With respect to the COVID-19 restrictions, all Teams (Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Medical Staff and Coaches) – “Olympic Qualifying Event” and “Nebelhorn-Trophy” - need to stay in the official hotel, the “AllgäuStern”.



The hotel arrangement in the “AllgäuStern” includes “half pension” (accommodation, breakfast and Dinner). Lunch can be chosen either in the “AllgäuStern” restaurant or in the Restaurant of the “Skating Center”.

The indicated prices (incl. VAT) below will apply for a package which includes the daily shuttle, accommodation, breakfast and Dinner. The following rates for 5 nights from Tuesday to Sunday are:

- Single Room: 990 € per Person
- Double Room: 770 € per Person

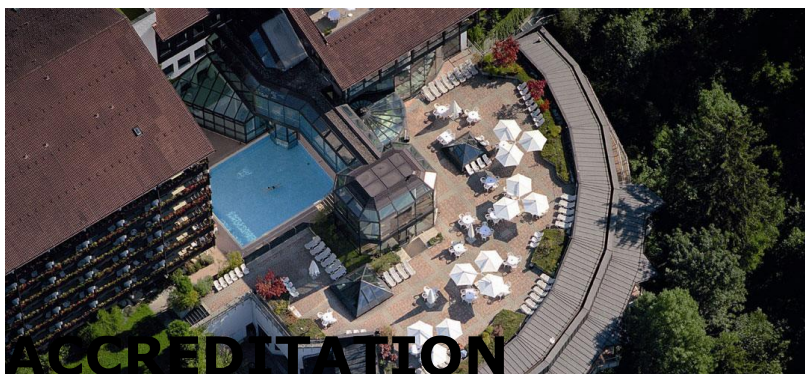
Lunch will be served for practical reasons in the “Restaurant Zoran” in the Skating Centre Oberstdorf. Skaters, listed for the “Olympic Qualification”, will receive meal voucher or similar for Lunch. Judges as well. Skaters, participating only within the “Nebelhorn-Trophy” (not the Qualification) need to organize their Lunch by themselves and at their own costs.



Accommodation for athletes will be made in twin-bed rooms if possible. Any accommodation in a single room will be charged with an additional fee. These prices include access to the Wellness Park, Aqua Park and to the Fitness Park. Other features like a beachvolleyball pitch, free Wi-Fi and an underground parking space are also included.



[Please see this link for a 360 degrees panorama tour.](#)



ACCREDITATION

Accreditation will be made in the official hotel. An additional accreditation point will be installed in the "Eissportzentrum Oberstdorf".

Accreditation will be provided for all Officials (Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data- and Replay Operators), Judges, Team Leaders and Assistant Team-Leaders (only if a Team will consist of at least 6 competitors), Competitors, Coaches (one per skater/couple), Team Medical Staff, Team Official (max. 2 per Team, provided they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Member of the Head Office of their Federation).

ACCOMMODATION FOR EVENT OFFICIALS

The Organizing Committee is going to try to accommodate the accepted Event Officials (Referees, Technical Panel) in Oberstdorf within a walking distance to the ice rink.

Judges' Examination

Participants of the ISU Judges Examination will stay in Oberstdorf within walking distance to the arena. Details will be exchanged with the individuals directly.

Transportation

There will be a daily bus-shuttle between the "Hotel AllgäuStern" and the "Skating Center" in Oberstdorf with an interval of 45 minutes. This shuttle will also be organised for athletes, who will not participate in the Qualification Event for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games, free of charge in the framework of the package.

In addition to that, we will provide shuttles from Munich Airport, which is the nearest big airport, to the official event hotel. Due to the situation around the COVID-19 pandemic it is recommended, not to use any public transportation between the airport and the hotel. Depending on the requirements, the shuttle service might be extended also to accommodations in Oberstdorf.

The Organizing Committee request a contribution of € 40,00 per persons one way for the pick-up service at Munich airport to the official hotel "AllgäuStern" or of € 50,00 to Oberstdorf if not staying in the "Hotel AllgäuStern". The same amount will be requested for the departure time, covering the way from Oberstdorf or "Hotel AllgäuStern" to Munich airport.

In order to be able to use the shuttle service, please plan your flight according to the information below.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

If you book 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

Expenses

The OC will provide an honorarium for Judges and ISU Event Officials (Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data- and Replay Operators) of CHF 200,00 according to the guidelines of the "Challenger Series".

COVID 19-MEASURES

The OC will summarize all necessary information with respect to the restrictions and all actual required procedures. This information will also include a guideline upon tests, documents, etc.

CONTACTS

Please send your request regarding the competition to

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