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**ANNOUNCEMENT** 

**#SPEEDSKATING** 



























# On behalf of US Speedskating and the Utah Olympic Oval, we have the honor and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

## ISU WORLD CUP

# SPEED SKATING

## 2023/24

which will be held at the Utah Olympic Oval in Salt Lake City, USA from *January 26 to 28, 2024* 

The Competition will be held under the 2022 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2587.

This World Cup Competition will serve as one of the qualifying events for quota places at the ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2024, Single Distances & Team Competitions format, ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2024, Sprint & Allround Combinations format.

# **PROGRAM**:

Thursday, January 25, 2024:	16:00	Team Leader Meeting, virtual		
	17:00	Medical Meeting, TBC		
	18:00	Opening Draw, virtual		
Friday, January 26, 2024:	TBC*	Division B	1000m Women	
			1000m Men	
			Mass Start Men	
	12:30	Division A	1000m Women	
			1000m Men	
			3000m Women	
			Mass Start Men	
	TBC*	Division B	3000m Women	
Saturday, January 27, 2024	TBC*	Division B	500m Men	
			500m Women	
			Team Pursuit Men	
			Team Pursuit Women	
	12:00		1500m Men	
			500m Women	
			1500m Women	
			500m Men	
			Team Pursuit Men	
			Team Pursuit Women	
	TBC*	Division B	1500m Men	
			1500 Women	
Sunday, January 28, 2024	TBC*	Division B	5000m Men	
			1000m Women	
	12:00	Division A	1000m Women	
			1000m Men	
			5000m Men	
			Mass Start Women	
			Mixed Gender Relay	
	TBC*	Division B	1000m Men	
			Mass Start Women	

<sup>\*</sup> The actual starting times for the B Division races will be announced during the Online Team leaders' meetings. For each distance, the races of Division A and the races of Division B are considered as two separate competitions with independent final classifications (list of results) for determining the awarding of World Cup points and prize money.

#### TRACK

The Utah Olympic 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. In accordance with Rue 228 a protective movable padding system will be installed around the track.

## **ENTRIES**

Entries for these competitions will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2587, paragraph 3.1.

Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events on <a href="https://ssk-entries.isu.org/">https://ssk-entries.isu.org/</a> and respecting the following deadlines:

Preliminary entries & Accommodation Request	December 01, 2023
Accreditation Request for Team Officials	December 27, 2023
Transportation Request	December 27, 2023
Final Entries	January 22, 2024 – 12.00 noon (local time)
Payment of outstanding invoices	January 25, 2024 at Guest Services

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 No. 1628, need to be strictly observed.

For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797 or any update of this Communications.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2526, 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.

According to ISU Communication No. 2587, the entry quotas (maximum number of entries per distance, subject to the qualifying times criteria) for this competition are:

# 1	ICII	WOMEN			1011	MEN				1011	
	ISU Member	500	1000	1500	3000 5000	ISU Member	500	1000	1500	5000 10000	ISU Member
1.	AUT	2	2	2	1	AUT	1	1	2	1	AUT
2.	BEL	2	2	2	2	BEL	2	2	3	2	BEL
3.	CAN	5	5	5	5	CAN	5	5	4	4	CAN
4.	CHN	4	4	4	4	CHN	4	4	4	2	CHN
5.	CZE	1	1	3	3	CZE	1	1	1	1	CZE
6.	DEN	1	1	1	1	DEN	1	1	1	2	DEN
7.	ESP	2	1	1	1	ESP	2	2	1	1	ESP
8.	EST	1	1	1	1	EST	2	2	1	1	EST
9.	FIN	1	1	1	1	FIN	1	1	2	1	FIN
10.	FRA	1	1	1	1	FRA	1	1	1	2	FRA
11.	GBR	2	2	2	1	GBR	1	2	1	1	GBR
12.	GER	2	2	2	4	GER	3	4	3	4	GER
13.	HUN	1	1	1	2	HUN	1	1	1	1	HUN
14.	ITA	1	1	2	2	ITA	2	2	3	4	ITA
15.	JPN	5	4	5	5	JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN
16.	KAZ	3	4	3	2	KAZ	2	3	3	3	KAZ
17.	KOR	4	4	3	3	KOR	4	3	3	3	KOR
18.	NED	5	5	5	5	NED	5	5	5	5	NED
19.	NOR	3	2	3	4	NOR	4	4	5	5	NOR
20.	NZL	1	1	1	1	NZL	1	1	1	2	NZL
21.	POL	4	4	3	3	POL	4	4	1	2	POL
22.	ROU	1	2	1	1	ROU	1	1	1	1	ROU
23.	SUI	1	2	2	2	SUI	1	1	2	2	SUI
24.	SWE	1	1	1	2	SWE	1	1	1	1	SWE
25.	USA	5	5	5	5*	USA	5*	5*	5	5*	USA

<sup>\*</sup> as hosting ISU Member

ISU Speed Skating Members not listed in the table above, may enter a maximum of 1 Skater for each distance<sup>1</sup>.

All entered Skaters (incl. substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times for the respective distances according to the criteria given in Communication No. 2587, paragraph 3.1.2.

<sup>1</sup> Reference is made to ISU Communication No. 2469, paragraph 2.a) according to which and until further notice, no individual belonging to the Russian Skating Union and Skating Union of Belarus shall be invited, entered and allowed to participate in International Competitions, ISU Championships and other ISU Events.

## COMPETITION FORMAT AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR THE MASS START EVENTS

Mass Start races will be skated according to Rule 257 and Rule 265, paragraph 6 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2587, paragraph 5.6, with distances of 16 laps for both Women and Men. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2584 or any further updates.

## **COMPETITION FORMAT FOR THE TEAM PURSUIT EVENTS**

Team Pursuit races will be skated according to Rule 256, paragraph 1 and Rule 265, paragraph 5 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2587, paragraphs 4.2 and 5.7, with national teams of 3 Skaters each, and with distances of 6 laps for Women and 8 laps for Men. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2584 or any further updates.

#### COMPETITION FORMAT FOR THE MIXED GENDER RELAY EVENTS

Mixed Gender Relay races will be skated according to Rule 256, paragraph 3.4 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2587, paragraphs 4.2 and 5.7, with teams of 2 Skaters each (1 Woman and 1 Man), and with distances of 6 laps. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2584 or any further updates.

## **GROUPING AND DRAWING PROCEDURES**

The grouping and drawing of pairs will be made according to ISU Communication No. 2587, paragraph 5.

## **PRIZES AND POINTS**

For each event, World Cup points and prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2587, paragraphs 6 and 7.2 accordingly.

## **ANTI-DOPING**

Anti-Doping tests will be carried out according to the ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures, as given in the applicable ISU Communications Nos. 2344 and 2366 (or any further update of these Communications).

## **TRAINING TIMES**

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday, January 22, 2024 afternoon. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, January 25, 2024 during each morning training session. Only accredited competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

## LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, US Speedskating and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with the ISU World Cup Speed Skating. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

Participating ISU Members will have to bear expenses for accommodation for all participating Skaters and team officials.

A 50% down payment is required at time of booking.

## Cancellation policy for all hotel options:

80% attrition rate after December 27, 2023. Meaning you can cancel free of charge up to 72h before arrival 20% of the rooms you reserved. You are responsible for payment of 80% of the rooms reserved. Any additional rooms cancelled within 72h of arrival will be charged at the rate of one night. Early Departure Fee equal of one nights room rate, plus applicable fees and taxes.

Room availability is on a first-come-first-serve basis. A limited number of rooms is available. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel. Hotel(s) will not be responsible for any lost and/or stolen items if left in the hallways or in unlocked rooms.

Payment: Major Credit Card or prior wire transfer (Visa, Master, American Express, Discover)

## **OFFICIAL HOST HOTEL**

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the teams ONLY in the Official Host Hotel, DoubleTree by Hilton Airport. Rooms will be reserved based on information submitted in the OES (ISU Online Entry System). We ask teams to submit any preliminary rooming needs by December 1st, 2023. Changes can be made up until December 27th (see above cancellation policy) with the hotel directly after December 1st. All un-booked rooms in the room block will be released on December 28, 2023.

Transportation will be organized between the official host hotel and Utah Olympic Oval for all accredited team members according to transportation schedule.

# DoubleTree by Hilton Salt Lake City Airport\*

5151 Wiley Post Way Salt Lake City, UT 84116

## Rates:

Single Room occupancy: US \$255.97\* per room per night. Double Room occupancy; US \$333.97\* per room per night. Rate is inclusive of tax and full board.

# **ALTERNATIVE HOTEL OPTIONS**

OC secured small room blocks at the below hotels for teams choosing not to stay at the Official Host Hotel. NOTE: OC will not provide any meals or transportation to and from the alternative hotels below.

## Residence Inn by Marriott West Jordan

7558 Plaza Center Drive West Jordan, UT 84084

#### Rates:

- 1 Bed King Studio Suite \$178 per room per night (rate includes tax and breakfast)
- 2 Bed Queen Studio Suite \$189 per room per night (rate includes tax and breakfast)

All rooms have a full kitchen.

Above cancellation policy applies.

Please use provided accommodation request form and contact the hotel directly.

# Hampton Inn & Suites West Jordan

3923 West Center Park Drive West Jordan, UT 84084

#### Rates:

Single Room \$154.53 per room per night (rates include tax and breakfast) Double Room \$154.32 per room per night (rates include tax and breakfast)

Above cancellation policy applies.

Please use provided accommodation request form and contact the hotel directly. Rooms may have microwave and mini fridge.

## TownPlace West Valley

5473 West High Market Drive West Valley, UT 84120

## Rate:

Single Room \$146.82 per room per night (rates include tax and breakfast)
Double Room \$146.82 per room per night (rates include tax and breakfast)

All rooms have a full kitchen.

Above cancellation policy applies.

Please use provided accommodation request form and contact hotel directly or use <u>booking link</u> (exclusive tax)

<sup>\*</sup>rates might slightly change in case of state tax increase.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Airport: Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC)

Major airlines flying into SLC: Delta, United Airlines, American Airlines, Southwest

The airport is located about 10km from the Official Host Hotel and about 25km from the Alternative Hotel Options.

Airport pick up and transport to the Official Host Hotel will be charged to teams at \$20/person.

Information about the date and time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials must be submitted via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events.

Team transportation to/from the official hotel for airport pick up is available on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> and Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>.

OC will NOT provide any means of organized transportation for teams staying outside the Official Host Hotel, DoubleTree by Hilton Airport.

## **VISA REQUIREMENTS**

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact the US Speedskating if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

• Please complete provided Visa Invitation Information Form with all needed data

## Visa Requirements

Please check well before your departure on what your countries specific visa requirements and processing times will be to enter the United States.

OC is not responsible for any visa denial. If you encounter issues please inform the OC as soon as possible and we will do our best to provide help within our abilities.

Please submit all this information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas completed in due time.

#### **ACCREDITATIONS**

Only the following number of Team Officials can receive an accreditation free of charge:

Туре	Number of accreditations per Competition	
Team Leader	1 accreditation	
Coaches, medical & technical staff	1 competitor* - 1 accreditation 2 to 3 competitors - 2 accreditations 4 to 6 competitors - 3 accreditations 7 to 9 competitors - 4 accreditations 10 to 11 competitors - 5 accreditations 12-13 competitors - 6 accreditations 14-15 competitors - 7 accreditations 16-17 competitors - 8 accreditations 18-19 competitors - 9 accreditations 20-21 competitors - 10 accreditationsetc.	
ISU Member Officials** (No access to athletes zone)	Up to maximum 3 accreditations	

<sup>\*</sup> Competitor = competing skater (substitutes excluded)

The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. A fee of EUR 250 for each extra Team Officials/Federation Officials accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

## **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE - MEDIA ACCREDITATION - INQUIRIES**

Inquiries should be addressed only to the Organizing Committee or US Speedskating at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

**Organizing Committee** 

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<sup>\*\*</sup> President, Vice Presidents, CEO, General Secretary, Managers, etc.

## **WEBSITE**

Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following website(s):

https://utaholympiclegacy.org/oval-events/?month=2024-01

https://isu.org/events/eventdetail/13677/-/isu-world-cup-speed-skating

https://app.isuresults.eu/events/2024 USA 0002/schedule

## ISU "INSIDE EVENTS" MOBILE APPLICATION

Daily information, results and changes in schedules (race, training, transportation, etc.) will be communicated to the teams on the board of the Team Hotel as well as on the ISU "Inside Events" mobile application. This mobile application makes the information delivery faster, contains all relevant information for participants, reduce paper needs and notify participants in case of any changes or urgencies through push notification possibilities.

The "Inside Events" app is available free of charge on Android and Apple systems and is compatible with both tablets and smartphones. It can be downloaded with the below QR codes or directly on the app stores.

Each ISU Event will have its own unique password that will be provided on site to participating Athletes, Officials, and Team Delegations.





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