

April 8 - 10, 2021

**Zagreb / Croatia** 

# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

First and foremost, the following information is subject to a timely normalization of the coronavirus situation allowing the safe organization of the ISU Championships this winter. The ISU is closely monitoring the respective developments in consultation with the organizing ISU Members and with the expectation and hope that the situation will be restored to normal as quickly as possible. Please refer to ISU Communication No. 2320, point 2. The ISU will inform ISU Members in case of any development or related decision.

The ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships<sup>®</sup> 2021 is an event of the International Skating Union (ISU) and will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2018 ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2018, as well as all pertinent ISU Communications.

Participation in the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships® 2021 is open to all Teams who belong to an ISU Member, Rule 130, paragraph 7) and gualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided the ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 4 a) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements according to Rule 109, paragraphs 1 and 2 d) and ISU Communication 2030 (or any update of this Communication).

Each participating team must consist of sixteen (16) skaters and may have up to a maximum of four (4) alternates listed on the Team Entry Form (Rule 800, paragraph 2 b) and c)).

#### **TECHNICAL DATA** 2.

All Championship events as well as some official practices will take place at Arena Zagreb - with an ice surface of 30 m x 60 m. The remainder of the official practices will take place at Velesajam, with an ice surface of 30 m x 60 m. The two facilities are 6.2 km apart (approx. 10-15 minutes by car). Both venues are indoor, air-conditioned and heated.

Main Arena: Arena Zagreb

Ulica Vice Vukova 8 10000 Zagreb

Practice Arena: Klizalište Velesajam

Ulica Joszefa Antalla bb

10000 Zagreb

#### 2.1 Technical Details

SHORT PROGRAM Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., but may be less,

> The General Short Program Elements and requirements are listed in Rule 991, paragraphs 1 a), 2 and 3, Rule 992, paragraphs 1 a), 2 and 3 a). The Short Program Elements and Requirements to be skated for Season 2020/21 are listed in ISU Communication 2236.

Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec. **FREE SKATING** 

> The Well Balanced Program Requirements are listed in Rule 991. paragraphs 1 b), 2 and 4, Rule 992, paragraph 1 b), 2 and 3 c). The Free Skating Elements and Requirements to be skated for Season

2020/21 are listed in ISU Communication 2236.

#### 3. ENTRIES

#### 3.1 General

All entries for the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships® 2021 must be done through the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) by the deadline indicated. Hotel and travel information should also be entered into ORS, as well as bank information. Declarations will need to be uploaded to the ORS as well.

#### 3.2 Entries of Teams

In accordance with Rule 868, the Entries by names must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS):

#### https://fms.sportresult.com/isu

and will be submitted via the ORS simultaneously to the:

#### **Organizing Committee**

E-mail: wsysc2021@croskate.hr

and to

#### **ISU Secretariat**

E-mail: entries@isu.ch

no later than **Thursday**, **March 18**, **2021 – 20:00 Zagreb**, **CRO time (CET)** (see Rule 868, paragraphs 1 and 5).

Preliminary entries (by number) must reach the ISU Secretariat and the Organizing Committee no later than **October 1, 2020**.

Please note that for all persons entered by the Members, the procedures in regard to the Declaration for Competitors and Officials entering ISU Events in accordance with ISU General Regulations 2018, Rule 131 as outlined in ISU Communication ISU Communication 1876, point 16 (or any update of this Communication) need to be strictly observed.

#### 3.3 Entries of the Official Team Delegations

Official entries of the Team Leaders, Team Managers, Coaches, Member Press Officer, Team Medical Personnel and the partner or relative of a Judge will be accepted.

Accreditation will be provided to those who are officially accepted by the Organizing Committee.

Please be advised that accreditation will be given to:

- Official Team Delegations composed of Skaters, Team Leaders (1 per country), Team Managers (1 per Team), Official Coaches (2 per Team), Team Medical Personnel (2 per Team – OC will request a certificate prior to accreditation), Member Press Officer (1 per country)
- Team Officials (2 per country including the President).

The names of all team members must be submitted via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) and must reach the Organizing Committee and the ISU Secretariat not later than **Thursday**, **March 18**, **2021** – **20:00 Zagreb**, **CRO time (CET)**.

#### 4. JUDGES

## 4.1 Nomination of Judges for the Judges Draw

As indicated in Communication 2332, point 6. the result of draw for Judges for the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2020 will be used for the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2021.

Members having been drawn to send Judges to the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships<sup>®</sup> 2021 must submit their Judges via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) and reach the Organizing Committee and the ISU Secretariat not later than **Thursday**, **March 18**, **2021 – 20:00 Zagreb**, **CRO time (CET)**.

#### 4.2 Meetings for ISU Event Officials and Judges

The Initial Judges Meetings will be held on **Thursday**, **April 8**, **2021**. The draw for the seating order of the panels of Judges will be made 45 min. prior to each segment. Subsequent draws, as required, will be made at Arena Zagreb in the judges' room. A detailed draw schedule will be published on site.

Please see the dates and times for all other official meetings for Technical Panels (before and after the respective event), Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting and Judges Round Table Discussions in paragraph 17. Schedule of Events. ISU Event Officials and Judges are responsible to make their travel arrangements in order to be able to attend the respective meetings. If any other party makes the flight arrangements, the ISU Event Officials and the Judges are responsible to check if such arrangements are in line with the detailed schedule as mentioned under paragraph 17.

#### 5. MEALS, LODGING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

In accordance with ISU General Regulations 2018, Rule 137, the Organizing Committee will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for the Technical Controller, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operators, as well as Referees and Judges beginning with dinner on **Wednesday**, **April 7**, **2021** and ending with breakfast on **Monday**, **April 12**, **2021**.

The Organizing Committee requests that, for all Team Members whose accommodation expenses are not covered by the Organizing Committee as outlined above, a pre-payment (deposit), to guarantee the availability of required rooms, be made. Members should use ORS for their preliminary hotel bookings on which the OC will base the invoice for the pre-payment. The pre-payment (50% of the total amount) must be made by **November 2, 2020**. The terms of payment for the remainder will be published well in time by the Organizing Committee.

All rooms ordered for any person (if paid by the organizer or the member federation) are subject to the cancellation policy as outlined in the first information.

Travel expenses will be paid in accordance with ISU General Regulations 2018, Rule 137. Out of pocket expenses for the Referee, Assistant Referee, Technical Controller, Technical Specialists, Data and Replay Operator and Judges will be paid in accordance with ISU Communication 2096 or any update. These expenses will be provided at the time of accreditation.

All extra expenses incurred by any Official will be the responsibility of that person. Should any Official arrive at the hotel before or stay after the period described above, their room costs and expenses will be their responsibility and must be paid upon arrival.

#### 6. PRACTICE

Official Practice for Teams will begin on **Thursday, April 8, 2021**. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration. Rule 960, paragraph 4 must be observed.

## 7. MUSIC

All Teams shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format. The CDs must show the exact running time of the music (not skating time), which shall be certified by the Team and by the Coach, when submitted at the time of registration. Each program (Short Program and Free Skating) must be recorded on one track and on a separate CD. Teams must provide a back-up drive for each program (see Rule 823, paragraph 2).

The titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating must be entered for each team through the ISU Portal by March 18, 2021.

In accordance with Rule 823 all CDs must:

- be properly inserted in their original container
- be clearly identified with the name of the team
- indicate the type of program (Short Program or Free Skating)
- show the exact running time of the music (not skating time)

If the music information is not complete and CDs not provided, the accreditation will not be given.

The "Program Content Sheet" must also be submitted, through the ISU Portal by the entry deadline. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet be filled in precisely by each team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

#### 8. ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE OF PARTICIPANTS

All ISU Event Officials, Judges, Members of the Official Team Delegation taking part in the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships® 2021 are requested to inform the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but no later than **Thursday, March 18, 2021**, about the names of the airline, flight numbers, dates and time of arrival in **Franjo Tuđman Airport Zagreb (ZAG)**.

This location is considered as the official arrival/departure points for the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships® 2021, from where a shuttle transfer will be organized to the Official Hotel. The official team delegation will only be met if they travel with a team.

The detailed travel information needs to be submitted via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS).

#### 9. REGISTRATION

All ISU Event Officials, Judges, Members of the Official Team Delegation taking part in the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships<sup>®</sup> 2021 are requested to register at the **Panorama Hotel, Room Gric** starting on **Wednesday, April 7, 2021**.

For accreditation purposes, all the mentioned persons, except the ISU Office Holders, Officials and Guests, must submit in ORS, no later than **Thursday**, **March 18**, **2021**, a digital passport type colour photograph of all Team Members. The Team Leaders/Managers are requested to bring copies of passports of all the skaters (a Team-folder, sorted in alphabetical order) and present all the passports at the time of registration.

#### 10. HOTELS

The official hotel for the Skating Family is:

#### **Hotel Panorama**

Trg Krešimira Ćosića 9 10000 Zagreb

Website: https://www.maistra.com/hotel-panorama-zagreb

And

#### **Hotel International**

Miramarska cesta 24, 10000 Zagreb

Website: https://www.maistra.com/hotel-international-zagreb

All preliminary accommodation requests must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) – Preliminary Hotel tab by **October 1, 2020**: <a href="https://fms.sportresult.com/isu">https://fms.sportresult.com/isu</a> and will be submitted via the ORS simultaneously to the:

#### **Organizing Committee**

E-mail: wsysc2021@croskate.hr

and to

#### ISU Secretariat

Fax: +41 21 612 66 77 E-mail: entries@isu.ch

The hotel will not accept reservations for rooms directly. The Organizing Committee will assign the hotel to the Teams in accordance with their rooming list once the request is received. Hotel will be reserved on the first come – first serve basis.

The Organizing Committee will not guarantee any rooms for reservations requested after Dec. 1, 2020

The Organizing Committee will confirm each request with the designated Team Manager/Team Leader/Federation. Upon receipt of the reservation confirmation, the Team Manager/Team Leader/Federation must transfer the advance deposits of 50% for all reservations to the Organizing Committee by **November 2, 2020 at the latest**.

The remaining 50% are to be paid latest upon arrival.

PLEASE NOTE: Teams that book hotels outside of the official host hotels will not be provided transportation services by the OC free of charge. If requested by teams, the OC can arrange shuttle pick-up from airport to their hotel at a cost based on persons and time of pickup.

#### 11. TRANSPORTATION

There will be a shuttle service for all Teams staying at the Hotel Panorama and International Hotel to the main rink and practice rink starting on Thursday, April 8, 2021. A shuttle will be organized from Arena Zagreb to the practice rink starting on Thursday, April 8, 2021



#### 12. LIABILITY & INSURANCE

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each member participating in the ISU Events, to provide medical and accident insurance for their Athletes, Officials and all other Members of the Member's Team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means of the ill or injured person.

The ISU and the Organizing Committee assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the Championships by Competitors and Officials.

#### 13. ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

The Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures (ISU Communications 2344 and 2243 or any further update of these Communications).

#### 14. TITLE AND MEDALS

The winners will bear the title according to Rule 133.

The Representative of the ISU awards to the third- and second-placed Team captains the bronze and silver ISU Synchronized Skating medal(s) and to the Champions Team captain the Synchronized Skating gold ISU medal(s).

After the completion of each Segment of every event (Short Program and Free Skating), the Referee shall present a small ISU bronze, silver and gold medals to the third-placed Team Captain, second-placed Team Captain and the winners Team Captain respectively in each discipline, but no anthem shall be played or flags hoisted

## 15. Covid-19

During the current Covid-19 pandemic the health and safety of all participants at ISU Events including the athletes, team members, officials, volunteers, service providers, guests, broadcasters, media, and spectators needs to be given additional attention.

Therefore, the ISU has created some Guidelines to help ISU Event Organizers. These ISU Guidelines describe the **minimum** sanitary measures that must be put in place to host an ISU Event during the COVID-19 pandemic.

These Guidelines do not, in any case, supersede additional requirements established by the National or Local Public Health Authorities of the hosting country which must be implemented in full.

#### 16. INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships® 2021 Organizing Committee

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# 17. PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE - (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	
Wednesday, April 7, 2021	All day	Arrivals and Accreditation	
	19:30	Skaters Meeting	
	20:00	Coaches Meeting	
Thursday, April 8, 2021	All day	Official Practice	
	08:00	Technical Panel Meeting	
	10:00	Team Leaders Meeting	
	11:30	Medical Meeting	
	14:45	Referee & Technical Controller Meeting	
	15:30	Initial Judges Meeting	
	19:00	Opening & Draw Ceremony	
	21:00	ISU and Judges Dinner (TBC)	
Friday, April 9, 2021		Official Practice	
	17:00	Opening Ceremony on Ice	
	17:45	Competition - Short Program	
Saturday, April 10, 2021		Official Practice	
	15:00	Competition – Free Skating	
		Victory Ceremony	
	20:30	Technical Panel Review Meeting	
	21:30	Farewell Dinner (Officials) (TBC)	
	22:00	Closing Party (Skaters) (TBC)	
Sunday, April 11, 2021	08:00	Judges Round Table Discussion	
	All day	Departures	



#### 18. **DEADLINES**

Form	DEADLINE	To be submitted
Preliminary Entry	01.10.2020	ORS
Accommodation Request	01.10.2020	ORS
Entry Form for Judges	18.03.2021	ORS
Entry Form Teams	18.03.2021	ORS
Composition of Delegation	18.03.2021	ORS
Travel Form	18.03.2021	ORS
Hotel Rooming List	18.03.2021	ORS
Press Information*	18.03.2021	ISU Portal
Competition Music Information*	18.03.2021	ISU Portal
Planned Program Content*	18.03.2021	ISU Portal
Skaters Health Care Form*	18.03.2021	ORS
Visa Application Request	a.s.a.p.	Form 1
Team Meal Plan	18.03.2021	Form 2
Extra Practice Ice Request	18.03.2021	Form 3

<sup>\*</sup>Once submitted this information is valid for the entire season until amendments and updates become necessary.

Payments	DUE DATE
Deadline for 50% deposit for hotel reservations from Federation	02.11.2020
Refund of 100% hotel deposit for cancellations up to	20.12.2020
Refund of 50% hotel deposit for cancellations from <b>December 21</b> until	18.03.2021
No refund for cancellations <b>from</b>	19.03.2021
Federation to pay balance of hotel payment latest at	Registration