Communication No. 2298

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

1. ISU JUDGES EXAMINATION 2020

Participants:
In accordance with the ISU Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2018, Rules 901, paragraph 7 and 903, paragraph 3 - to be eligible for promotion to the qualification as "ISU Judge" for Synchronized Skating, the candidates must have passed the ISU Synchronized Skating Judges Examination. The Synchronized Skating Judges Examination will be held on the occasion of the ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2020 in:

Nottingham, Great Britain – March 12-14, 2020

Candidates for the Examination must have met all the requirements as stated in Rule 903, paragraph 3.

Applications:
In accordance with Rule 900, paragraph 1. d), 5 applications have been submitted by the ISU Member concerned, on behalf of their candidates, to the ISU Secretariat by April 15, 2019 and have been approved by the Synchronized Technical Committee.

Program:
The Examination will consist of (2) parts: a practical part, trial judging the competition events (Short Program and Free Skating) plus a written and an oral part, which will consist of questions regarding Synchronized Skating Rules and the ISU Judging System criteria (from the ISU Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2018 and all pertinent ISU Communications).

The written and oral part will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2020, in the morning and will consist of short answers and essay questions. The Examination will be conducted in English by a panel of moderators designated by the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee.

The written and oral examination parts will be closed book.

Moderators:
Ms. Petra Tyrbo, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee
Mrs. Lois Long, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee

Official Hotel:
Crowne Plaza Nottingham
17-31 Wollaton Street
Nottingham, NG1 5RH
Expenses:
The responsibility for the expenses of the Examination will be allocated as follows:

a) The travel, meals and hotel accommodation expenses of the panel of examiners will be borne by the ISU.

b) The administrative expenses (room and supplies) will be borne by the ISU.

c) The living expenses (hotel room and meals) for the attending candidates from the evening of Wednesday, March 11, 2020 (dinner not included on Wednesday) to breakfast on Sunday, March 15, 2020 will be borne by the ISU.

d) **The travel expenses of the Judges who pass the Examination will be reimbursed by the ISU**, subject to submission of an actual ticket receipt up to a limit of 200 Swiss Francs (CHF 200) per person for Judges from Europe, up to 800 Swiss Francs (CHF 800) per person for Judges from North America and up to 1000 Swiss Francs (CHF 1000) per person for Judges from Asia/Oceania and Africa, based on economy airfare. For candidates who do not pass the Examination there will be no reimbursement of travel expenses.

An ISU Member who's Judge does not display a working knowledge of English, in the opinion of the examiners, shall reimburse the ISU for the living expenses (hotel room and meals) of that Judge. No reimbursement of travel expenses will be given to such ISU Member.

2. ISU TRIAL JUDGING 2020

Participants:
ISU Trial Judging, as per Rule 903 paragraph 1. c), will be conducted by the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee in conjunction with the 2020 ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships to be held in:

Lake Placid, USA – April 2-4, 2020

Acting as a Trial Judge in this designated ISU Synchronized Skating competition will be considered as activity for present International Judges and Referees. Per Rule 902 paragraph 2 and 4, Rule 903 paragraph 2 and 4, Trial Judging in this competition will also count as activity for re-appointment to International Judge or Referee, ISU Judge or Referee. Those ISU Members needing to provide activity either for their present International/ISU Judges or Referees or their National Judges, may apply.

Applications:
The applications must be sent to the ISU Secretariat with a copy to Mr. Philippe Maitrot, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, not later than January 24, 2020.

International Skating Union
Attn: Ms. Céline de Joffrey
E-mail: entries@isu.ch

Mr. Philippe Maitrot
E-mail: p.maitrot73@gmail.com

Program:
The Trial Judging will use the ISU Judging System and will consist of both Short Program and Free Skating category, as well as element identification.

All Trial Judging participants must plan to arrive at the Official hotel on Thursday, April 2, 2020 by 14:00 hours and should plan to leave Lake Placid on Sunday, April 5, 2020.

Moderator:
Ms. Petra Tyrbo, member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee.
Language:
The Seminar will be conducted in English.

Official Hotel:
High Peaks Resort
2384 Saranac Ave,
Lake Placid, NY 12946
https://www.highpeaksresort.com

Process & policies

- Review the available package options listed below and place your package request via the online form available here: https://fs12.formsite.com/USFSAIT/5f0dpugb3u/index.html
- Payment will not be required at the time of submission. One request form per trial judge may be submitted. Any changes to your request can be made by emailing the OC. E-mail: wordsynchoro2020@usfigureskating.org
- With approval of your trial judge status, you will receive an invoice for all packages requested.
- After receipt of invoice, payment must be received in full by February 15, 2020. Directions for payment will be provided with final invoice.
- A trial judge may change or cancel their request and receive a full refund until March 15, 2020. The OC has the right to retain all paid fees should the trial judge decide to cancel any package requests after March 15. Any changes requested after March 15 cannot be guaranteed and no refunds will be provided.

Available Packages

Trial judges may purchase the following housing and meal packages. Available options are outlined below.

Housing Packages

The official hotel for the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2020 is the High Peaks Resort (www.highpeaksresort.com). The nightly rate at this hotel is $119/night + taxes Tuesday – Thursday and $139/night + taxes Friday & Saturday for both single and double rooms. Please note that Breakfast is NOT included in this rate.

Option 1: 2 nights – Friday & Saturday nights ($278+taxes)
Option 2: 3 nights – Thursday, Friday, & Saturday nights ($417+taxes)

Meal Packages

If you would like to participate in any official meals for the event, please choose one or more of the package options below.

- 2 Breakfasts ($50)
- 3 Breakfasts ($75)
- 2 Lunches & Dinners ($120)
- 3 Lunches & Dinners ($180)

Drink Ticket Add On: You may choose to add a maximum of 2 drink tickets (wine/beer) per day to your meal package. Drink tickets are $7 each.
Expenses:
a) All administrative expenses (travel, accommodations, and meals) for the Moderator(s) of the ISU Trial Judging, designated to serve by the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, will be borne by the ISU.
b) The travel and living expenses (accommodations and meals) for all participants will be borne by their respective ISU Members.
c) All ISU Members are responsible for arranging the travel and hotel accommodations for their own participants.

Tubbergen, Lausanne,  
December 3, 2019

Jan Dijkema, President  
Fredi Schmid, Director General