



**ISU WORLD JUNIOR SHORT TRACK
SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS®**

Tomaszów Mazowiecki, 2-4.03.2018

ANNOUNCEMENT

**ISU World Junior Short Track
Speed Skating Championships
March 2-4, 2018 Ice Arena
Tomaszów Mazowiecki, Poland**



ORGANIZER:



HONORARY PATRONAGE:

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Ministry
of Sport and Tourism
of the Republic of Poland

International Skating Union, Polish Speed Skating Association and the Organizing Committee have the honor and pleasure to invite you to the:



World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships® 2018

March 2-4, 2018

**to be held at the Ice Arena,
Tomaszów Mazowiecki, Poland**

General Regulations

The ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2018 will be conducted in accordance with the 2016 ISU Regulations and relevant Communications. Participation is open to all ISU Members. Entries must be made only through the respective ISU Members (Rule 131).

Distances

Individual 1500, 500, 1000, 1500 meters Ladies and Men
Relay 3000 meters Ladies and Men

Program

The below program is subject to change depending on the final entry of Skaters.

Thursday, March 1, 2018	08:00- 21:00 Official Training 18:00 Opening Meeting
Friday, March 2, 2018	10:30 Qualifying Rounds 1500, 500, 1000 meters Ladies & Men
Saturday, March 3, 2018	09:30 Ranking Races 1500, 500 meters Ladies & Men 13:30 Opening Ceremony 13:45 Semi-Finals & Finals 1500 meters Ladies & Men Heats*, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Finals 500 meters Ladies & Men Semi-Finals 3000 meters Relay Ladies Semi-Finals 3000 meters Relay Men Awards Ceremony
Sunday, March 4, 2018	10:45 Ranking Races 1000 meters Ladies & Men 13:30 Heats*, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Finals 1000 meters Ladies & Men Super-Finals 1500 meters Ladies & Men Finals 3000 meters Relay Ladies Finals 3000 meters Relay Men Awards Ceremony 20:00 Closing Banquet

** Due to the high number of participants, the 500m and 1000m Heats will be held in the main program.*

Track Conditions

The Ice Arena has an artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface of 60 x 30 meters. Protective padding covers the boards in accordance with Rule 280, paragraph 5 and ISU Communication No. 1726, or any further update of this Communication. The standard track will be laid out 111.12 meters to the lap.

Entries

a) Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Short Track Speed Skating on www.isu.org, section Short Track Speed Skating.

b) Entries with the number of Competitors, substitutes, coaches & team leader and requirements of accommodation must be submitted by **January 19, 2018** (Rule 295, paragraph 4).

ISU Members failing to comply in time with these requirements will receive no support from the Organizing Member for:

- Hotel booking;
- Travel arrangements between airport and hotel;
- Travel arrangements between hotel and ice rink;
- Access to Closing Banquet (if held);
- Preferred times for additional training sessions.

All these costs and any additional costs incurred will be for the full account of the ISU Members concerned.

c) Final Entries must reach the Organizing Committee using the Online Entry System not later than **Sunday February 25, 2018** (Rule 295, paragraph 4), and the following information must be communicated to the Organizing Committee:

- Names of the Competitors and substitutes per category with their International Registration Numbers;
- Names of the Competitors for each of the respective individual distances;
- Confirmation of participation in the Relay.

Final Entries that do not comply with these requirements are considered Post Entries. See Rule 115.

d) Competitors must be present in Tomaszów Mazowiecki at the latest at 18:00 hours on Thursday, March 1, 2018 or the Organizing Committee must receive documented proof that the competitors are in transit and will arrive in due time for the Championships. Competitors who do not comply with these requirements will be excluded.

e) Please note that for all persons entered by the 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 Communication Nos. 1628 and 1797 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

Referees

Due to the high number of participants, additional Referees have been assigned for this Event and a rotation system will be arranged during the Event.

Individual Entries:

Each ISU Member has the right to enter three (3) Competitors in each individual category Ladies and Men.

Relay Entries:

ISU Members entering a Relay Team can only enter a maximum of four (4) Competitors which will include all Competitors for both competitions: Individual and Relay.

Qualifying Times:

Entered Skaters (including substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times over 500 meters, in accordance with ISU Communication No. 2103, paragraph II.d), 1.1, as follows:

	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Men</u>
500 m	53,00	51,00

For a result to be a valid qualifying time, it must have been achieved in the period between July 1, 2016 and the final entry deadline specified in the paragraph "Entries" above.

Make-Up of Races

The make-up of the races over both individual and relay distances will be made in accordance with Rule 296, with the exception however of the first Qualifying Round of the Relay, which will be based on the results of the preceding World Junior Championships.

Points and Classification

In accordance with Rule 295.

Titles and Medals

The winners of the Championships (according to Rule 133) will bear the title:

World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Champion for 2018

or

Lady World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Champion for 2018

World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions for 2018

or

Ladies World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions for 2018

The World Junior and Lady World Junior Champions will receive the ISU gold medal. The skaters placed second and third will receive the ISU silver and bronze medals respectively.

The World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions or Ladies World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions will receive the ISU gold medal. The second and third placed relay teams will receive the ISU silver and bronze medals respectively.

Prize money will be awarded in accordance with ISU Communication No 1976, or any further update of this Communication.

Ice Training

All practice sessions will take place at the Competition venue. The Organizing Committee will arrange free ice training on Thursday, March 1, 2018 for all participating teams. Extra practices will be provided from February 26, 2018. Each training session (50 min) will be charged 135 Euro. If two or more teams agree to share one training session, both (all) of them can share the cost. Payment for additional practice ice time must be paid in (in PLN, EUR or USD) to the Organizing Committee upon arrival. For practice ice time prior to the official practice, please inform the Organizing Committee using the attached form. Medical coverage will be provided for the official and additional practice sessions in accordance with Rule 140.

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 (ISU Communications Nos. 1922 & 2117 or later updates).

Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, the Polish Speed Skating Association and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2018. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

Accommodation and Meals

The Organizing Committee will provide accommodation and meals starting with lunch on Thursday March 1, 2018 until lunch on Monday March 5, 2018 (for those departing in the afternoon) for all participating Skaters, maximum four (4) Ladies and four (4) Men, plus one Team leader from each participating ISU Member.

All teams arriving before Thursday, March 1, 2018 or leaving after Monday, March 5, 2018 or bringing in more than the officially designated number of participants will be responsible for their own costs and are kindly requested to settle the amount due on site, at the applicable rate, upon arrival.

Teams shall transfer a 50% prepayment of the accommodation costs to the Organizing Committee by February 1, 2018. Remaining costs may be paid by cash (in PLN, EUR or USD), or by credit card (VISA, MASTERCARD +2% handling charges).

All arrangements for accommodations must be made through the Organizing Committee.

Official Hotels

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservations for the participants at the following official hotels;

Official Team Hotels

1) Olympic Sports Centre in w Spała

- a) COS Spała Champion
- b) COS OPO Spała Junior

Spała, Mościcki Street 6, 97-215 Inowódz

2) * Hotel Prezydent Sp. z o.o.**

Spała, ul. Hubala 15, 97-215 Inowódz

The cost of a room and meal at the official hotel is as follows:

Single Room (per person, per night): 100 Euro

Double Room (per person, per night): 80 Euro

Price includes breakfast, buffet style lunch and dinner, local taxes

Official ISU Hotel

****** Hotel Mościcki**

Spała, Nadpiliczna Street 2, 97-215 Inowódz

The cost of a room and meal at the official hotel is as follows:

Single Room (per person, per night): 120 Euro

Double Room (per person, per night): 100 Euro

Price includes breakfast, buffet style lunch and dinner, local taxes

Official Media Hotel

***** Hotel Mazowiecki**

Świętego Antoniego 19, 97-200 Tomaszów Mazowiecki

The cost of a room and meal at the official hotel is as follows:

Single Room (per person, per night): 50 Euro

Double Room (per person, per night): 30 Euro

Price includes breakfast, buffet style lunch and dinner, local taxes

Hotel requirements must be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but no later than **January 25, 2018**.

Transportation

The Organizing Committee will provide free transportation for all participants between Warsaw International Airport "Chopin" or Łódź Fabryczna Railway Station and the official hotels, from Monday, February 26 to Monday, March 5, 2018. Participants arriving and departing from other airport(s) or train/bus stations will be responsible for the transport costs. Expenses for team officials, who do not accompany their team members, are to be borne by themselves (50 Euro/per person/one way).

The Organizing Committee will also provide free transportation for all participants between the official hotels and Ice Arena during the competition days and the training periods, starting from February 26, 2018.

The date, airline, flight number, expected time of arrival and the date and time of departure should be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but no later than January 25, 2018. Please include the amount of special equipment (e.g. bicycles, massage tables, etc.) that needs to be transported.

Medical Insurance

It is the sole responsibility of each ISU Member participating in an ISU Event (as defined in Rule 107), to provide medical insurance for their Skaters. Proof of such can be requested by the Organizing Committee.

Entry Visa Requirements

Should you need assistance to obtain a Polish entry visa or require a specific letter of invitation, please contact the Organizing Committee.

Media Accreditation

Media accreditation requests for ISU Championships must be submitted via the ISU Online Media Accreditation System <http://www.wingsmedia.it/isu/>

Information for the media will be available on the ISU website in due time.

For further information contact the OC Press Officer:

OC Press Officer

e-mail: media@pzls.pl

The Organizing Committee

All entries, hotel reservation and media accreditation requests, as well as other inquiries should be addressed as soon as possible to:

Polish Speed Skating Association

OC Event Coordinator: Ivetta Roczek

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Web site

All information concerning the competition will be available at the following Event website:

www.pzls.pl/wjc/pl

www.pzls.pl/wjc/en

Live results will be available at the following website:

www.isu.org