

ISU WORLD CUP

SPEED SKATING



TOMASZÓW MAZOWIECKI, POLAND
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ANNOUNCEMENT

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On behalf of the Polish Speed Skating Association, and Organizing Committee
we have the honour and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

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2023/24

which will be held at the Arena Lodowa in
Tomaszów Mazowiecki, Poland
from Friday, December 8, to Sunday, December 10, 2023

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 European Speed Skating Championships 2024, ISU Four Continents Speed Skating Championships 2024, ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2024, Single Distances & Team Competitions format, ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2024, Sprint & Allround Combinations format.

PROGRAM:

Thursday, December 7:	16:00	Team leaders' Meeting, Online	
	TBC 18:00	Medical Meeting, Arena Lodowa Opening draw, Online	
Friday, <u>December 8</u> :	14:45*	Division B:	500m Women 1000m Men 3000m Women Mass Start Men
	18:30	Division A :	500m Women 1000m Men 3000m Women Mass Start Men
Saturday, <u>December 9</u> :	10:00*	Division B:	1500m Women 500m Men 1500m Men 500m Women Team Pursuit Women Team Pursuit Men
	14:00	Division A :	1500m Women 500m Men 1500m Men 500m Women Team Pursuit Women Team Pursuit Men
Sunday, <u>December 10</u> :	10:45*	Division B:	1000m Women <u>500m Men</u> 5000m Men Mass Start Women
	14:45	Division A :	1000m Women 500m Men 5000m Men Mass Start Women

* 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

Arena Lodowa 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 <https://ssk-entries.isu.org/> and respecting the following deadlines:

Preliminary entries & Accommodation Request	08.11.2023
Accreditation Request for Team Officials	08.11.2023
Transportation Request	27.11.2023
Final Entries	04.12.2023 – 12.00 noon (local time)

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:

#	ISU Member	WOMEN				ISU Member	MEN				ISU Member
		500	1000	1500	3000 5000		500	1000	1500	5000 10000	
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	5*	5*	5*	5*	POL	5*	5*	5*	5*	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	3	USA	4	4	5	4	USA

* as hosting ISU Member

ISU Speed Skating Members not listed in the table above, may enter a maximum of 1 Skater for each distance¹. 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.

¹ 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.

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, December 4, 2023. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, December 7, 2023.

Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

ISU Members may ask for changes in the training schedule latest by Thursday, November 23, 2023. Decisions on changes' request will be taken by the Organizing Committee in consultation with the ISU.

LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Polish Speed Skating Association 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.

OFFICIAL HOTEL(S)

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the teams in the following hotels:

1. Olympic Sports Centre in Spała
ul. Mościckiego 6, 97-214 Spała
*Single Room occupancy: 100,- Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks.
Double Room occupancy; 90,- Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks.*
2. Hotel Mościcki ****
ul. Nadpiliczna 2, 97-215 Spała
*Single Room occupancy: 135,- Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks.
Double Room occupancy; 110,- Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks.*
3. Hotel Magellan ***
ul. Żeglarska 35/31, 15, 97-320 Bronisławów
*Single Room occupancy: 130,- Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks.
Double Room occupancy; 105,- Euro per person per night. Price including meals and drinks.*

Payment: Cash in [PLN, EUR or USD] or credit card [VISA, Mastercard +2% handling charges].

All arrangements for accommodation must be made through the Organizing Committee. Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events. Please indicate the preferred hotel in the OES notes per booking. Based on the request entered in the ISU Online Entry System and availability the OC will prepare and send you the summary of accommodation costs. The OC may ask for the 50% prepayment to confirm your booking.

Cancellation policy:

- Before November 10: 50% of rooms can be cancelled free of charge
- November 10 - December 2: 10% of rooms can be cancelled free of charge
- After December 2.: No refund after this date

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel(s).

TRANSPORTATION

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.

On request (via OES) the Organizing Committee will provide bus transportation from Sunday, December 3, until Monday, December 11, 2023 between Warsaw International Airport “Chopin” or Warsaw Central Railway Station and the official hotels for the price:

- 40€ per person for the group of 4 or more / one way
- 70€ per person for the group of up to 3 person / one way.
- 125€ for a single person service / one way.

The Organization Committee will provide free transportation for all participants between the official hotels and the Arena Lodowa during the competition days and the training periods, starting from Monday, December 4, 2023.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

Citizens from outside the EU (Schengen) may require visa to enter Poland. You may use the link below to check it:

<https://www.gov.pl/web/udsc-en>

Please contact the Polish Speed Skating Association if you need an invitation letter for the visa. Please submit the following information *:

- Name, Given Name and middle name as in passport
- Date of birth
- Nationality
- Passport Number
- Passport date of issue
- Passport date of expiry
- Arrival and Departure date

* The requirements may vary for different countries so please refer to the respective consulate to learn specifically what information you need to put in the letter. The OC is able to include additional information in the invitation letter if needed.

ACCREDITATIONS

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

Type	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 accreditations ..etc.
ISU Member Officials** (No access to athletes zone)	Up to maximum 3 accreditations

* Competitor = competing skater (substitutes excluded)

** President, Vice Presidents, CEO, General Secretary, Managers, etc.

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 Polish Speed Skating Association at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

Organizing Committee	Polish Speed Skating Association	Media accreditation
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WEBSITE

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

live.isureresults.eu

[Official website](#)

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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