



World Synchronized Skating Championships 2017

Colorado Springs, Colorado – USA

April 7-8, 2017

Media Information



@USFigureSkating, Facebook.com/USFigureSkating, www.2017synchroworlds.com, #WSySColoradoSprings

Official ISU Hashtag: #WorldSynchro

U.S. Figure Skating looks forward to hosting media attending the 2017 World Synchronized Skating Championships in Colorado Springs, Colorado – USA. The event will be held at the Broadmoor World Arena from April 7-8, 2017.

This information will assist you in planning your trip to Colorado Springs and to apply for media accreditation to cover the event. Every effort will be made to ensure journalists have all the appropriate facilities necessary to work at the event.

The press centre and press tribune will be open and operational for the first practice session on Wednesday, April 5, 2017, at 8 a.m.

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Additional information and updates as required will be posted on the ISU website as they become available. If you need more information, or have questions, please contact:

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Media Accreditation Information

All media must apply for media accreditation through the ISU online media accreditation system on the International Skating Union (ISU) website (www.isu.org) under «Media Accreditation». Alternatively click [here](#) to get direct access.

The total number of accredited media representatives will be subject to space available. The OC and ISU reserve the right to refuse accreditation should the number of applications exceed given space.

All media will be requested to upload a copy of their professional media card and a .jpg photograph. *If not in possession of a professional media card, a comment should be added to the note box provided.* The deadline to apply is Saturday, **April 1, 2017**.

Accreditation will be granted to professional journalists and photographers only. Up to a total of two (2) journalists and one (1) photographer per publication are welcome to apply. Major wire services and newspapers may submit a request for two (2) photographers, however, only one (1) photographer is allowed at the rink-side.

Rights holding TV and radio must also apply for accreditation via the ISU online media accreditation system. Access to the Right Holders area is restricted, therefore Right Holders are invited to contact the ISU in order to obtain a username and password. To book any broadcasting services or facilities please contact Mimi McKinnis at mmckinnis@usfigureskating.org or +1 (719) 228-3453.

Accreditation Confirmation

If the accreditation request is accepted, a Letter of Confirmation will be issued. You may be asked to present a copy of the Letter of Confirmation to receive your accreditation badge.

You will also be notified if your accreditation request is denied. Please note that the ISU and OC reserve the right to refuse accreditation with or without justification.

Media Accommodation

It is the responsibility of the individual media persons to book their own accommodation and to take on any cancellation fees.

Complete hotel information can be found [here](#).

Transportation & Telecommunications

Transportation

Please note no transportation will be provided by the organizing committee to members of the media; however, many hotels are located within walking distance of the main and practice arena.

Telecommunications

Hard lines will be available in the press box on the upper level of the World Arena. Wifi will also be available for media throughout the arena – login information will be available on-site.

Useful Information

ACCREDITATION

All accreditation will take place at the official team hotel, Doubletree by Hilton Colorado Springs (**hours subject to change based on arrivals):

Tuesday, April 4th: 09:00-22:00

Wednesday, April 5th: 08:00-12:00

EMBASSIES, CONSULATES & VISA REQUIREMENTS

Additional information can be found here: www.usa.gov/visas-and-visitors

LANGUAGE

The official language is English.

WEATHER

The weather in Colorado Springs in April can be unpredictable. The average high temperature in April is 56 ° F (13 ° C), but the possibility of snow or summer-like temperatures does exist. Travelers to Colorado Springs should be prepared for both possibilities.

TIME DIFFERENCES

Colorado Springs is located in MST (Mountain Standard Time), which is GTM (Greenwich Mean Time) – 7 hours from November through February and from March through October is – 6 hours.

ELECTRICITY

The voltage in the United States is 120 V, 60 Hz

CURRENCY

The basic America currency unit is the DOLLAR which is made up of 100 CENTS. Paper bills are 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, and 100 dollars. Coins are 1, 5, 10, and 25 cents. Foreign currency can be exchanged for local money in the airport, banks, official exchange offices and post offices.

Event Schedule

APRIL 4, 2017:

MAIN ARRIVALS, ACCREDITATION

APRIL 5, 2017

OFFICIAL PRACTICES: 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

APRIL 6, 2017

OFFICIAL PRACTICES: 7:40 a.m. - 5:40 p.m.

APRIL 7, 2017

OFFICIAL PRACTICES: 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES: 5:30 p.m.

SHORT PROGRAM COMPETITION: 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

APRIL 8, 2017

OFFICIAL PRACTICES: 7:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

FREE SKATE COMPETITION (GROUP B): 3:00 p.m.

FREE SKATE COMPETITION (GROUP A): 5:45 p.m.

AWARDS: 8:30 p.m.

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