



NRW-Trophy Dortmund 2015

ISU-Competition for Single and Pair Skating

**Seniors, Juniors, Advanced and Basic Novice
(Ladies, Men, Pairs)**

November 25th – 29th, 2015

Announcement / Invitation

organized by

Eissport Verband NRW



sanctioned by



deutsche eislauf-union e.v.

1. GENERAL

The NRW Trophy 2015 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2014, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating, 2014, and the relevant ISU Communications. (Novice Categories will be held in accordance with ISU Communication 1947 and subsequent updates.)

Participation is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regards to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their age fall within the limits specified in Rule 108.

Furthermore all participants must meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements of Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 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. Passports of all skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

The "NRW Trophy for Single and Pair Skating 2015" will be organized by the Eissport-Verband Nordrhein-Westfalen e.V. and is sanctioned by the Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V.

2. TECHNICAL DATA

Venue:

Eissportzentrum Westfalen, Strobelallee 32, D-44139 Dortmund
(an indoor ice-rink, heated, with the ice surface of 60 m x 30 m)

Phone: +49 231 912 82 33 Fax: +49 231 912 82 34

Email entry@nrw-trophy.de

SENIOR Men and Ladies

Short Program: In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 611, paragraph 1 and 2 and the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less.

Free Skating: In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication.

Special attention should be paid to the "well-balanced-Program" and the element values.

Duration:

Men: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

Ladies: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

Vocal music is permitted.

Factors: in accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:

	a) for Men	b) for Ladies
Short Program	1,0	0,8
Free Skating	2,0	1,6

SENIOR Pairs

Short Program: In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 620, paragraph 1 and 2, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less.

Free Skating: In accordance ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 621 and the relevant ISU Communications.

Special attention should be paid to the “well-balanced program” and the element values.

Duration: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

Factors: in accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 353, paragraph 1, m) the multiplying factors for the Program Components are:

Short Program	0,8
Free Skating	1,6

Vocal music is permitted.

JUNIOR Men and Ladies

Short Program: The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 Rule 611, paragraph 1 and 3, group for 2015/16.

Duration: 2 min, 50 sec maximum, but may be less

Free Skating: In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value.

Duration:	Men:	4 min, +/- 10 sec
	Ladies:	3 min, 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

JUNIOR Pairs

Short Program The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014, Rule 620, paragraph 1 and 3. group for 2015/16.

Duration: 2 min, 50 sec maximum, but may be less

Free Skating In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014, Rule 621 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value.

Duration: 4 min, +/-10 sec

Vocal music is allowed for all Novice Devisions Single & Pair Skating

ADVANCED NOVICE Girls and Boys

Short Program: The required elements to be skated are those listed in the ISU Com-munication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 2 min, 30 sec maximum for boys and girls

Free Skating: Special attention should be paid to the contents of a well balanced program listed in ISU Communication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 3:00 min, +/- 10 sec for girls
3:30 min, +/- 10 sec for boys

ADVANCED NOVICE Pairs

Short Program: The required elements to be skated are those listed in the ISU Communication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 2 min, 30 sec maximum for boys and girls

Free Skating: Special attention should be paid to the contents of a well balanced program listed in ISU Communication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 3:30 min, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE A Girls and Boys

Free Skating only: Special attention should be paid to the contents of a well balanced program listed in ISU Communication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 2:30 min, +/- 10 sec for boys and girls

BASIC NOVICE B Girls and Boys

Free Skating only: Special attention should be paid to the contents of a well balanced program listed in ISU Communication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 3:00 min, +/- 10 sec for boys and girls

BASIC NOVICE Pairs

Free Skating only: Special attention should be paid to the contents of a well balanced program listed in ISU Communication No. 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 3:00 min, +/- 10 sec

3. ENTRIES:

Each ISU Member has the right to nominate 3 competitors for each single event and 3 pairs for each pair event in the NRW-Trophy 2015. The official entry forms must be used. The organizer reserves the right to enter more competitors in each category.

Passports of the skaters, as well as ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation.

The entries by name should reach the organizer not later than **November 1st, 2015**. Entries by fax or E-Mail are appreciated. The entry forms have to be used and must be sent to:

Eissport – Verband NRW e.V.
Strobelallee 32
D - 44139 Dortmund, Germany

Phone: +49 231 912 82 33 Fax: +49 231 912 82 34
Email: Frieder.Dieck@LEV-NRW.de

Entries must be accompanied by the official "ISU Declaration Form" as per Rule 131, In case of competitors who are not full of age (under 18), such Declaration must be co-signed by at least one of the parents or other guardian at law. Each Entry Form and Declaration Form must be signed by an authorized ISU Member Representative such as President, General Secretary, Executive Director, CEO (Rule 104, paragraph 4).

For any cancellation **after November 8th, 2015** the team leader of the federation will be asked to pay the entry fee regardless of the reason for cancellation. In case there is no participating team left a respective invoice will be sent to the Member Federation.

World Standing Points

In case the requirements as per ISU Communication 1629 are fulfilled, World Standing points will be awarded in the Senior Categories Men, Ladies and Pairs.

4. ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member is requested to nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge with at least the qualification "International Judge or International Referee". If an ISU Member has entries in Men' and Ladies' events or in a Single event and a Pair event, the Member has the right to enter a second Judge.

Should there be more judges entered than needed in competition, the organizer reserves the right to conduct a pre-draw of the panels of Judges. Judges not drawn will be informed in time before the competition.

5. PRACTICE

Official practice for competitors starts as follows;

November 25 th , 2015	Novice
November 26 th , 2015	Junior
November 28 th , 2015	Senior

The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

6. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format, in accordance with Rules 343, paragraph 1. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for Short Program and Free Skating Program for Single and Pair Skating must be listed for each competitor on the official Music Information Form and attached to the official Entry Form for competitors.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all discs must show the competition event, competitor's name, the nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time), including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program, free programm) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition each skater/pair must provide a back-up drive for each program. If music information is not complete and discs not provided, accreditation will not be given.

Together with the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet has to be completed precisely by each skater/pair in English using the terminology listed in the respective ISU Communication. **It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting Officials.**

7. INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in ISU Technical Rule Single and Pair Skating 2014, Rule 352 and Rule 353 will be used.

9. ACCOMMODATION AND TRAVEL FEES

The organizer covers the costs of accommodation and full board for one judge as follows:

- for Judges, who are only judging novice competitions beginning with November 24th, 2015, starting with Dinner to Thursday, November 26th, 2015 including lunch or after the Round Table Discussion, whichever is later.
- for Judges, who are only judging Junior and Senior competitions: beginning with Wednesday, November 25th, 2015, starting with dinner, to Sunday, November 29th, 2015, including lunch or after Round Table Discussion, whichever is later.,

Additional judges need to cover their own costs. Travel fees will be paid only to Technical Specialists and Technical Controllers based on economy air fare.

10. TRANSPORT

All hotels are located nearby the ice rink so that no transportation will be necessary. The nearest airports to Dortmund are Dortmund-Airport and Duesseldorf International Airport. There is a direct train from Duesseldorf International Airport Station (to be reached by the Sky train) to Dortmund Main Station (approx. 1 ½ hours).

A special bus-service will also be provided between the Duesseldorf International Airport (**not Duesseldorf-Weeze**) and Dortmund at certain times. Costs for this service will be € 30,00 per person one way. Only in very exceptional cases transport for single persons will be provided at the cost of the person concerned,

11. ACCREDITATION

The official accreditation is planned at the Ice Rink. Accreditation will be given to all Referees, Assistant Referees, ISU Office Holders and Guests. Accreditation as a Team Member will furthermore be given to all entered Judges and Participants, one Team Leader, one coach per Competitor and one Chaperone.

12. ENTRY FEES

Entry fees: € 45,00 for single skater and € 90,00 for pairs. In case no judge has been entered by the respective Member Federation the entry fees for a single skater amount to € 70,00 and for a Pair to € 140,00. Payment by bank transfer must be made to: Eissport-Verband Nordrhein-Westfalen e.V., Strobelallee 32, D-444139 Dortmund

Bank account: Dortmund Volksbank
IBAN: DE39 4416 0014 6331 2757 00
SWIFT: GENODEM1DOR

13. PRACTICE SCHEDULE

The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

14. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the NRW Trophy 2015, 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 of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The Organizer assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.