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ISU world cup
SPEED SKATING

December 4 - 6, 2009 - Olympic Oval - Calgary - Canada

Announcement

Ladies: 500 m (X2) - 1000 m - 1500 m - 3000 m - Team Pursuit

Men: 500 m (X2) - 1000 m - 1500 m - 5000 m - Team Pursuit



The Organizing Committee Calgary on behalf of Speed Skating Canada
has the honour to invite you to a competition in the

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WORLD CUP SPEED SKATING 2009/10

to be held in the Olympic Oval, Calgary, Canada
on Friday December 4, Saturday December 5 and Sunday December 6, 2009

The competition will be held under the 2008 ISU General Regulations and Special Regulations /
Technical Rules Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 1578.

PROGRAM

Thursday, December 3

16:00 Team Leaders' Meeting at the Best Western Village Park Inn
19:30 Opening Draw at the Best Western Village Park Inn

Friday, December 4

Time TBA at Draw

Division B 500 m (1st) Ladies
500 m (1st) Men

12:30

Division A 500 m (1st) Ladies
500 m (1st) Men
3000 m Ladies
1500 m Men

Time TBA at Draw

Division B 3000 m Ladies (quartets)
1500 m Men

Saturday, December 5

Time TBA at Draw

Division B 500 m (2nd) Ladies
500 m (2nd) Men

12:30

Division A 500 m (2nd) Ladies
500 M (2nd) Men
1500 m Ladies
5000 m Men

Time TBA at Draw

Division B 1500 m Ladies
5000 m Men (quartets)

Sunday, December 6

Time TBA at Draw

Division B 1000 m Ladies
1000 m Men

12:30

Division A 1000 m Ladies
1000 m Men
Team Pursuit Ladies
Team Pursuit Men

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).

The Track

The Olympic Oval is a fully enclosed speed skating facility with a standard speed skating track of 400 meters to the lap. The artificially frozen ice track has a 5-meter wide training lane. The radii of the inner and outer competition lanes are 26 and 30 meters respectively. The width of each lane of the competition track is 4 meters.

Entries

Entries for this competition will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 1578, paragraph 4. *Preliminary entries*, giving the number of competitors, substitutes and team officials (with provisional names) must be communicated by **Nov. 3, 2009**. *Final entries* must reach the Organizing Committee by letter, fax or electronic mail not later than **Dec. 1, 2009**. Entries must be accompanied by the official "ISU Declaration Form" as per Rule 131. Entries by fax or email must be confirmed by a letter sent out simultaneously to the Organizers (Rule 115, paragraph 5). The completed Declaration Form must be signed by the competitors and also by all officials (including team officials) appointed by the Member serving at the event - Team Leaders, Coaches, Team Medical Doctors, Physiotherapists and Team Officials who are requesting accreditation. In case of competitors who are under 18 such Declaration must be co-signed by at least one parent or guardian. Each Entry Form and Declaration Form must be signed by an authorized ISU Member Representative such as President, General Secretary, Executive Director or CEO (Rule 104, paragraph 4). For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131, ISU Communications Nos. 1523 and 1578 or any update of these Communications.

The entry quotas (maximum number of entries per distance, subject to the qualifying times criteria) for this competition are:

| | Ladies | 500 m | 1000 m | 1500 m | 3000 m | Men | 500 m | 1000 m | 1500 m | 5000 m |
|-----|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| AUT | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | BEL | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| BLR | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | CAN | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | |
| CAN | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | CHN | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| CHN | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | FIN | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | |
| CZE | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | FRA | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | |
| GER | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | GER | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | |
| ITA | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ITA | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| JPN | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | JPN | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 | |
| KAZ | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | KAZ | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | |
| KOR | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | KOR | 5 | 5 | 4 | 2 | |
| NED | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | NED | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | |
| NOR | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | NOR | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | |
| POL | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | NZL | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| ROU | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | POL | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | |
| RUS | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | RUS | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | |
| SWE | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | SUI | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| USA | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | SWE | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | |
| | | | | | USA | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | |

All other ISU Speed Skating Members may enter a maximum of 1 competitor in each distance. All entered skaters (including substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times for the respective distances according to the criteria given in Communications No. 1578, paragraph 4.1.

Competition Format for the Team Pursuit Competitions

Team Pursuit competitions will be skated according to Rule 261 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 1578, paragraph 5.2, with national teams of 3 skaters each and with distances of 6 laps for Ladies and 8 laps for Men.

Grouping and Drawing Procedures

The grouping and drawing of pairs will be according to ISU Communication No. 1578, paragraph 6.2.

Prizes and Points

For each distance, World Cup points and prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 1578, paragraphs 7 and 9.

Anti-Doping

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Code (ISU Communications Nos. 1520, 1546 and 1547 or any further update of these Communications).

Training Times

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered competitors from Monday, Nov. 30, 2009. Contact the Olympic Oval for training times prior to this date (fax (+1)-403-284-4815). Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009. Only accredited competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice rink during the official training hours.

Citizenship / Residence Requirements and Clearance Procedure

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 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.

Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Speed Skating Canada, the Olympic Oval Association and the University of Calgary assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with this competition. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

Board and Lodging

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 1578, paragraph 11g, the Organizing Committee is responsible for room and meal expenses at the official hotels for up to 5 skaters and one team leader from each participating Member (to a maximum of 4 rooms), as well as for the invited officials, beginning with dinner on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009 up to and including breakfast on the morning of Monday, Dec. 7, 2009.

Additional expenses for rooms and meals will be borne by each Member. Please make all hotel arrangements directly with the Organizing Committee prior to Friday, **Nov. 6, 2009**. The Organizing Committee will release the unused World Cup block of rooms back to the hotels as of Monday, Nov. 9, 2009. Rates cannot be guaranteed after this date. Teams who do not arrive on scheduled date will be charged for rooms. Due to the large number of expected participants, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotels. All arrangements for each of the two hotels will be similar. Assignment of teams to a particular hotel will be made by the Organizing Committee. The Organizing Committee is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accreditation, transportation etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. Names and functions of all team officials must be submitted together with the final entries for the competition in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1578, paragraph 11j.

Hotel Reservation / Official Hotels

Best Western Village Park Inn
1804 Crowchild Trail NW
Calgary, Alberta
Canada T2M 3Y7

Telephone: (+1) 403-289-0241
Fax : (+1) 403-289-4645
Email: avarga@villageparkinn.com
Website: <http://www.villageparkinn.com>

Rate: \$99 per room per night, plus 9% taxes (CAD) - Meal package: approx. \$56 (CAD), excluding taxes and gratuities.

Quality Inn University
2359 Banff Trail NW
Calgary, Alberta
Canada T2M 4L2

Telephone: (+1) 403-289-1973
Fax: (+1) 403-282-1241
Email: marketing@qualityinnuofc.com
Website: <http://www.qualityinnuofc.com>

Rate: \$99 per room per night, plus 9% taxes (CAD) - Meal package: approx. \$54 (CAD), excluding taxes and gratuities.

Transportation

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation to and from the Calgary International Airport and between the host hotels and the Olympic Oval from Monday, Nov. 30 up to and including Monday, Dec. 7 at no expense to the participants. 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 **Nov. 27, 2009**.

The Organizing Committee – Entries and Inquiries

Please send entries, hotel reservations, media accreditation requests and other inquiries to:

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Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following website: www.speedsk8.ca