

JUNIOR WORLD CHRMPIONSHIPS

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#SHORTTRACKSKATING

The International Skating Union, US Speedskating and the Utah Olympic Oval Organizing Committee have the honor and pleasure to invite you to the:

ISU Short Track Junior World Championships® 2026 January 29-February 1, 2026 to be held at the Utah Olympic Oval, Salt Lake City, USA

General Regulations

The ISU Short Track Junior World Speed Skating Championships 2026 will be conducted in accordance with the 2024 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 500, 1000, 1500 meters Women and Men

Relay 3000 meters Women and Men, 2000m Mixed Team Relay

Program

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

Wednesday, January 28	9:00-16:30	Official Training
	18:00 TBC*	Team Leaders' Meeting – DoubleTree Hotel
Thursday, January 29	TBA*	Qualifying Rounds Individual and Relay
Friday, January 30	TBA*	Qualifying Rounds Individual and Relay
Saturday, January 31	TBA*	Repechage session
		1000 meters Women, 500 and 1500 meters Men
		Mixed Team Relay Semi-Finals
	TBA*	Opening Remarks
	13:35	1000 meters Women, 500 and 1500 meters Men
		Semi-finals Relay 3000m Men
		3000 meters Women Relay Semi-Finals & Finals
Sunday, February 1	TBA*	Repechage session
		500 and 1500 meters Women, 1000 meters Men
	13:35	500 and 1500 meters Women, 1000 meters Men
		Mixed Team Relay Finals
		3000 meters Men Relay Finals
	TBA*	Closing Social

[* to be decided after final entries]

Track Conditions

The Olympic Oval has an artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface of 60 x 30 meters. A fully movable protective padding system will be used in accordance with Rule 280, paragraph 5 and ISU Communication No. 2626 (or any further update). The standard track will be laid out 111.12 meters to the lap.

Entries¹

- a) Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Registration System for Short Track Speed Skating on https://ors.isu.swisstiming.com/account/login
- b) Preliminary Entries with the number of Competitors, substitutes, coaches & Team leader and requirements of accommodation must be submitted by **December 17, 2025** (Rule 292) by using the Online Registration System (ORS) Preliminary registration and Preliminary accommodation modules.

The number of other personnel travelling with the Team shall be communicated at the same time.

Critical Deadlines:

Preliminary entries & Accommodation Request	December 17, 2025
Final room needs with names	January 9, 2026
Transportation Request	January 9, 2026 *later requests are subject to
	availability
Final Entries	January 19, 2026 at 20:00 local time
Payment of an outstanding invoices	January 28, 2026 at Guest Services

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 at the latest by 20:00 hrs (local time) on **January 19, 2026** (Rule 292), and the following information must be communicated to the Organizing Committee:
 - Names of the Competitors and a list of alternate names per category with their International Registration Numbers
 - Names of the Competitors and their personal best time, recorded during the period of eligibility, for all individual distances they might participate in
 - Names of the Competitors for each of the respective individual distances
 - Confirmation of participation in all the competitions of the Relay

Only the Competitors listed on the Final Entry, respecting the maximum number of entries allowed, can attend and receive an accreditation for the Event.

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

d) 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. 2731 need to be strictly observed. Declaration Forms must be uploaded in the ORS in each Competitors and Team Officials' profile prior submitting the Entries.

For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communication No. 2731 or any update of this Communication.

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.

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.

Individual Entries:

In accordance with Rule 281, paragraph 5.a), each ISU Member has the right to enter three (3) Competitors in each individual category Women and Men. In accordance with Rule 281, paragraph 5.b), each ISU Member, with the right to participate is entitled to enter 2 Competitors in each category for each individual distance, any two (2) of the maximum three (3) Skaters entered may skate each distance.

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 2719 "Entries for ISU Championships", the following ISU Members may enter three (3) Competitors in total in the respective category and distances.

Women			
500m	1000m	1500m	
Canada	Canada	Canada	
China	China	China	
France	Czechia	France	
Hungary	France	Hungary	
Japan	Hungary	Italy	
Kazakhstan	Japan	Japan	
Korea	Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan	
Netherlands	Korea	Korea	
Poland	Netherlands	Netherlands	
USA*	Poland	USA*	
	Chinese Taipei		
USA*			

Men		
500m	1000m	1500m
Canada	Canada	Belgium
China	China	Canada
Great Britain	Great Britain	China
Hungary	Hungary	Great Britain
Italy	Italy	Hungary

Japan	Japan	Japan
Korea	Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan
Norway	Korea	Korea
USA*	Norway	Norway
	USA*	USA*

^{*}as hosting ISU member

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. For Individual distances (500, 1000 & 1500 meters), any three (3) of the maximum four (4) Skaters entered may skate each distance.

Qualifying Times:

Entered Skaters (including substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times over 500 meters, in accordance with ISU Communication No. 2719, paragraph 4.2, as follows:

Every ISU Member can enter 1 Skater per category that has achieved the following qualifying time:

Women 500 meters: 49,79 Men 500 meters: 46,67

If an ISU Member enters more than 1 Skater, the qualifying times required for all Skaters (including all Relay Skaters) entered by the ISU Member, are:

Women 500 meters: 48,50 Men 500 meters: 45,47

For a result to be a valid qualifying time, it must have been achieved in the period between July 1, 2023, and the final entry deadline specified in the paragraph "Entries" above. Any qualifying time achieved during an ISU Event will be automatically available in the ORS, for times achieved at another events, the documentation shall be uploaded in the ORS directly for review and approval by the ISU.

Make-Up of Races

The make-up of the races over both individual and relay distances will be made in accordance with Rule 293. For the first round of the Relay races, the Seeding List will be made in accordance with Rule 293, paragraph 3.e).

Points and Classification

In accordance with Rule 297.

Titles and Medals

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

ISU Short Track Junior World Champion 500/1000/1500 meters for 2026

ISU Short Track Junior Relay World Champions for 2026

ISU Short Track Junior Mixed Team Relay Champions for 2026

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

The Short Track Junior Relay Champions or Short Track Junior Mixed Team 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. 2516, or any further update of this Communication.

Team Officials Accreditations

For Teams entering 1 up to 4 Skaters

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
1	Team Leader	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Coach	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Doctor	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Physio	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Equipment Technician	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area

Additional Team Officials

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
	Same as above	EUR (€) 250*	Blue – 2 – Dressing Rooms & Team Seats
	Team Press Officer	EUR (€) 250*	Blue – 2, 5 – Dressing Rooms & Team Seats, Press Area

For Teams entering 5 up to 8 Skaters

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
1	Team Leader	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
2	Coaches	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Doctor	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
2	Physios	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
2	Equipment Technicians	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Team Video Specialist ¹	Free	Blue – 2 – Athletes Lounge, Dressing Rooms & Team Seats

Additional Team Officials

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
	Same as above	EUR (€) 250*	Blue – 2 – Dressing Rooms & Team Seats
	Team Press Officer	EUR (€) 250*	Blue – 2, 5 – Dressing Rooms & Team Seats, Press Area

¹ Video Disclaimer Form must be uploaded in the ORS in the Team Video Specialist' profile prior submitting the Entries. The form is valid for all Events of the season 2025/26.

Ice Training

All practice sessions will take place at the Competition venue. The Organizing Committee will arrange free ice training on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 for all participating teams. Extra practices will be provided from Monday, January 26, to Tuesday, January 27, 2026. Each training session (50 minutes) will be charged 35 US\$ per skater. Price includes use of ice, weight room and running track. Payment for additional practice ice time must be paid in US\$ to the Organizing Committee upon arrival. Practice session request must be submitted by using the training request module of ORS. Medical coverage will be provided for the official 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 Communication Nos. 2742 or later updates).

Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, US Speedskating 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 Short Track Junior World Championships 2026. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

Accommodation and Meals

The Organizing Committee will provide accommodation and meals starting with lunch on Wednesday January 28, 2026, until lunch on Monday February 2, 2026 for all participating skaters, maximum four (4) Women and four (4) Men, plus one Team Leader from each participating ISU Member staying at the official host hotel, DoubleTree by Hilton SLC Airport. All costs incurred prior Wednesday lunch January 28, 2026, and after Monday February 2, 2026, lunch will be under the financial responsibility of each ISU Member and the amount due shall be settled on site, at the applicable rate, upon arrival, or in advance by bank transfer.

Methods of payment: Cash in US\$, or Credit card; Visa, Mastercard, AmEx

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

Lunch at venue during competition days will only be provided to teams staying at the host hotel, DoubleTree by Hilton SLC Airport.

Official Hotel

Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the teams ONLY in the Official Host Hotel, **DoubleTree by Hilton Airport**. Rooms will be reserved based on information submitted in the preliminary accommodation module of ORS (ISU Online Registration System). Teams must submit all rooming needs no later than December 17, 2025. Changes can be made up until ten days prior your arrival and have to be submitted DIRECTLY to the hotel (see cancellation note below).

DoubleTree by Hilton Salt Lake City Airport*

5151 Wiley Post Way Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Stacey.Chacon@Hilton.com

Hotel requirements must be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but no later than **December 17, 2025** using the ORS preliminary accommodation module.

All rooms in the OC room block will be released on December 18th and availability of rooms cannot be guaranteed after that.

Please be aware that only the rooms requested in the pre-accommodation tab in ORS are guaranteed.

Rates:

Single Room occupancy: US \$267.63* per room per night, including full board and tax Double Room occupancy; US \$344.63* per room per night, including full board and tax

Participating ISU Members will have to bear expenses for accommodation for all participating Skaters and team officials not covered by the LOC according to ISU memorandum.

A 50% non-refundable deposit will be due at the time of reservation cut-off date, December 17, 2025.

Full payment is due ten days prior to team check-in. If payments are not received on time, hotel reserves the right to deny group check-in.

Room availability is on a first-come-first-serve basis. A limited number of rooms is available. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel. Hotel(s) will not be responsible for any lost and/or stolen items if left in the hallways or in unlocked rooms.

Payment: Major Credit Card or prior wire transfer (Visa, Master, American Express, Discover) All credit card transactions are subject to a 3% processing fee.

Cancellation: If a team cancels their booked rooms their 50% down payment is non-refundable. Individual cancellations can be made until 10 days prior to your planned arrival. Cancellations within 10 days prior arrival will be charged at one room night plus tax per canceled room.

*Payment (for costs not covered by the Organizing ISU Member): Cash; in USD or Credit card; (Visa, Master

Card, American Express) or Bank Transfer

Transportation

The Organizing Committee will organize and provide one transportation each way, free of charge, for each team between Salt Lake City International Airport and the DoubleTree by Hilton Airport hotel, on Sunday, January 25, 2026 and Monday, February 2, 2026. Participants arriving and departing on other days or from other airport(s) or train/bus stations will be responsible for their own transportation. Expenses for team officials, who do not accompany their team members, are to be borne by themselves.

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 9, 2026** through the ORS Travel module. Please include the amount of special equipment (e.g. bicycles, massage tables, etc.) that needs to be transported in the Comment field.

The Organizing Committee will also provide free transportation for all participants between the official hotel and the Utah Olympic Oval during the competition days and the training periods, starting on Monday, January 26.

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 US 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 https://www.isu.org/media-centre/accreditations/media

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

For further information contact the OC Press Officer:

Media accreditation

mwelch@uolf.org arummler@usspeedskating.org

The Organizing Committee

All entries, hotel reservations and transportation needs must reach the Organizing Committee by using ORS. Any other inquiries should be addressed to the Organizing Committee or US Speedskating at the addresses below.

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Website

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

https://utaholympiclegacy.org/oval-events/?month=2024-01

https://utaholympiclegacy.org/event/isu-short-track-jr-world-championships/

Live results will be available at the following website:

https://isu-skating.com/

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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