

ISU WORLD CUP

SPEED SKATING



MILWAUKEE, UNITED STATES
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ANNOUNCEMENT

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On behalf of the US Speedskating, and Pettit National Ice Center,
we have the honor and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

ISU WORLD CUP

SPEED SKATING

2024/25

which will be held at the Pettit National Ice Center
in Milwaukee, Wisconsin USA
on *January 31, 2025 - February 2, 2025*

The Competition will be held under the 2024 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2653.

This World Cup Competition will serve as one of the qualifying events for quota places at the ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2025, Single Distances & Team Competitions format.

PROGRAM:

Thursday, January 30, 2025	15:00	Medical Meeting – Oval
	16:00	Team Leader Meeting - virtual
Friday, January 31, 2025	11:45	Division B 3000m Women 5000m Men 1000m Women 1000m Men
	17:00	Division A 3000m Women 5000m Men 1000m Women 1000m Men
Saturday, February 1, 2025	09:00	Division B 500m Women 500m Men 1500m Women 1500m Men
	13:30	Division A 500m Women 500m Men 1500m Women 1500m Men
Sunday, February 2, 2025	09:10	Division B Team Pursuit Women Team Pursuit Men 500m Women 500m Men Mass Start Women Mass Start Men
	13:30	Division A Team Pursuit Women Team Pursuit Women 500m Women 500m Men Mass Start Women Mass Start Men Mixed Relay

* 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

Pettit National Ice Center is an indoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radii of 26m and 30m meters respectively. The width of the inside training track is 4 meters. In accordance with Rue 228 a protective moveable foam padding system will be installed around the track.

ENTRIES

Entries for this competition will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2653, 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 Requests	December 16, 2024
Accreditation Requests for Teams	December 16, 2024
Travel Dates & Transportation Requests	December 16, 2024
Final Entries	January 27, 2025 12.00 noon (local time)
Payment of outstanding invoices	January 13, 2025

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. 2653, 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	1	1	AUT	1	1	2	1	AUT
2.	BEL	2	2	3	2	BEL	2	2	3	2	BEL
3.	CAN	4	4	5	5	CAN	4	4	4	4	CAN
4.	CHN	4	4	4	4	CHN	4	4	4	4	CHN
5.	CZE	1	1	2	4	CZE	1	1	1	1	CZE
6.	ESP	1	1	1	1	ESP	2	2	1	1	ESP
7.	EST	1	1	1	1	EST	2	2	1	1	EST
8.	FRA	1	1	1	1	FRA	1	1	2	3	FRA
9.	GBR	2	2	2	1	GBR	1	2	1	1	GBR
10.	GER	2	3	2	4	GER	2	4	4	4	GER
11.	ITA	2	1	3	3	ITA	2	3	4	5	ITA
12.	JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN
13.	KAZ	4	4	4	2	KAZ	3	1	2	1	KAZ
14.	KOR	4	5	3	3	KOR	4	3	3	3	KOR
15.	NED	5	5	5	5	NED	5	5	5	5	NED
16.	NOR	3	3	2	4	NOR	4	4	5	5	NOR
17.	NZL	1	1	1	1	NZL	1	1	1	2	NZL
18.	POL	4	4	4	2	POL	4	4	1	1	POL
19.	SUI	1	2	2	3	SUI	1	1	2	2	SUI
20.	TPE	1	1	1	1	TPE	1	2	1	1	TPE
21.	USA	5	5	5	5	USA	5	5	5	5	USA

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. 2653, 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. 2653, 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. 2636 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. 2653, 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. 2636 or any further updates.

COMPETITION FORMAT FOR THE MIXED RELAY EVENTS

Mixed Relay races will be skated according to Rule 256, paragraph 3.4 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2653, paragraphs 4.2 and 5.7, with teams of 2 Skaters each (1 Woman and 1 Man), and with distances of 6 laps. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2636 or any further updates.

GROUPING AND DRAWING PROCEDURES

The grouping and drawing of pairs will be made according to ISU Communication No. 2653, paragraph 5.

PRIZES AND POINTS

For each event, World Cup points and prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2653, 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 and gym facilities will be open for training for entered Competitors from January 27, 2025. Trial starts will be organized on January 30, 2025

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 (published in the Inside ISU Events' App) latest by *January 23, 2025*. 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, US Speedskating 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.

The cost of a room and full board meals (B/L/D) at the official hotel will be as follows (including all taxes):

Single Room occupancy: \$191.14 USD per room per night. Price including meals and drinks.

Double Room occupancy; \$267.94 USD per room per night. Price including meals and drinks.

Cancellation policy for all hotel options:

All cancellations must be submitted by December 27, 2024. Cancellations after December 27, 2024 will be subject to 100% of reservation costs.

All meals are included at the Official Host Hotel. No partial refunds for unused meals will be issued.

A limited number of rooms are available. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel. Rooms are booked on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Hotel(s) will not be responsible for any lost and/or stolen items left in the hallways or in unlocked rooms.

Payment Process:

50% down payment no later than December 16, 2024 to LOC.

Cancellation deadline December 27, 2024.

Full payment due on January 13, 2024 to LOC.

Payment can be made via wire transfer or credit card to LOC. All credit card transactions are subject to a 3% processing fee. [Payment for hotel reservations will be processed through LOC.](#)

Accommodation requests can only be made directly with the Organizing Committee through the ISU OES.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the teams ONLY in the Official Host Hotel, Sheraton Brookfield. Rooms will be reserved based on information submitted in the OES (ISU Online Entry System). We ask teams to submit any preliminary rooming needs by December 1st, 2024. Changes can be made up until December 16th (see above cancellation policy). All un-booked rooms in the room block will be released on December 27, 2024.

Transportation will be provided between host hotel and Pettit National Ice Center for all accredited team members staying at the Sheraton Brookfield according to transportation schedule.

Official Host Hotel - Bookings done through ISU OES

Brookfield Sheraton Hotel
375 S Moorland Rd,
Brookfield, WI 53005

Alternative Hotel Option:

*It is the sole responsibility of the teams to book **directly** with the hotel.*

Embassy Suites Milwaukee Brookfield*
1200 S Moorland Rd
Brookfield, WI 53005

Meals and transportation are NOT provided at Embassy Suites. A continental breakfast is included in the rate.

Group dates: January 27, 2025 - February 3, 2025

Group code: 91R

Reservations must be made by December 27, 2024, 11:59pm

Reservation Link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/mkembes-91r-fadeacd2-ac50-45d5-8efd-199f03e706c3/>

Reservation Call In # +1 844-738-391

TRANSPORTATION

Airport: Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport

Major airlines flying into MKE: Delta, Southwest, American Airlines, Alaska Airlines, United, Frontier

The airport is located about 27km from the Official Host Hotel.

Airport pick up and transport to the Official Host Hotel will be charged to teams at \$25 per person each way (including all taxes).

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 no later than Monday, January 13, 2025.

Team transportation to/from the official hotel for airport pick up is available only on Monday, January 27 and Monday, February 3.

Those arriving on Tuesday, January 28th or leaving Tuesday, February 4th can request host hotel shuttle information. A shuttle from the host hotel is available with very limited transportation capacity. Uber, Lyft, or Taxi cabs are also readily available in Milwaukee.

Hotel Shuttle contact: +1-262-364-1100

VISA REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact the US Speedskating if you need an invitation letter. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

Teams requesting a letter of invitation must submit the following information:

- A Visa Invitation Information Form with all needed data

Visa Requirements:

It is the sole responsibility of teams to check visa requirements to the U.S.

OC is not responsible for any visa denial. If you encounter issues, please inform the OC as soon as possible and we will do our best to provide help within our abilities.

Due to high volume of visa processing at US Embassies worldwide we recommend submitting any visa applications as soon as possible.

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 additional 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 at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

**Organizing
Committee**

US Speedskating

Media accreditation

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WEBSITE

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

www.thepettit.com/ISU

https://live.isuresults.eu/events/2025_USA_0001

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, reduces paper needs and notifies 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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