

ISU WORLD CUP

SPEED SKATING



NAGANO, JAPAN
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ANNOUNCEMENT

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On behalf of the Japan Skating Federation, and the Organizing Committee,
we have the honour and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

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2024/25

which will be held at the M-Wave
in Nagano, Japan
on November 22-24

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 European Speed Skating Championships 2024 and the ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2024, Single Distances & Team Competitions format.

PROGRAM:

Thursday, Nov. 21:	16:00	Team leaders' Meeting, Hotel Metropolitan Nagano
	17:00	Medical Meeting, M-wave (Venue)
	18:00	Opening draw (Online)
Friday, Nov. 22:	TBD	Division B: Women 500m (1) Men 500m (1) Women 1500m Men 1500m
	14:00	Division A: Women 500m (1) Men 500m (1) Women 1500m Men 1500m
Saturday, Nov. 23:	TBD	Division B: Women 3000m Men 5000m Women 1000m Men 1000m
	13:00	Division A: Women 3000m Men 5000m Women 1000m Men 1000m
Sunday, Nov. 24:	TBD	Division B: Women TP Men TP Women 500m (2) Men 500m (2) Women MS Men MS
	13:00	Division A: Women TP Men TP Women 500m (2) Men 500m (2) Women MS Men MS MR

* The actual starting times for the B Division races will be announced during the 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

M-Wave is an indoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radii of 26 and 30 meters respectively. The width of the inside training track is 6 meters. In accordance with Rule 228 a protective moveable padding system will be installed around the track.

ENTRIES

Entries for these competitions 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	Thursday, October 17, 2024
Accreditation Requests for Teams	Thursday, October 24, 2024
Travel Dates & Transportation Requests	Thursday, October 24, 2024
Final Entries	Monday, November 18, 2024 – 12.00 noon (local time)

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	4	3	USA	4	4	4	4	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. 2651 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. 2651 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. 2651 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 Monday, November 18. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday November 21, morning.

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 one week before the competition). 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, the Japan Skating Federation 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 meals at the official hotel(s) will be as follows (including all taxes):

Single Room with full board (meals & drinks): JPY33,000 per night per person including tax
Twin Room with full board (meals & drinks): JPY30,000 per night per person including tax

Cancellation policy:

Two weeks before arrival : 20%

One weeks before arrival : 50%

One day before arrival or No-show : 100%

Payment: Cash in JPY or credit card (VISA, Master, AMEX or Diners).

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

OFFICIAL HOTEL(S)

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservations for the teams in the following hotels:

Hotel Metropolitan Nagano

1346 Minamiishi Dou-cho, Nagano, Nagano 380-0824, Japan

Tel: +81-26-291-7000

<https://nagano.metropolitan.jp/>

The Hotel Kokusai 21

576 Agata-machi, Nagano 380-0838, Japan

Tel: +81 26 234 1506

<https://www.kokusai21.jp/lang/en/>

Hotel JAL City Nagano

1221 Toigosho-machi Nagano-shi, Nagano 380-0834, Japan

Tel: 81-26-225-1131 Fax: 81-26-225-0031

<https://www.okura-nikko.com/japan/nagano/hotel-jal-city-nagano/>

There is no bicycle station in any hotel.

If you wish to arrange any space for bicycles at your hotel, please ask us for the extra fee.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel(s).

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Sunday, November 17, 2024 to Monday, November 25, 2024 from and to the Haneda airport (HND) and/or Narita Airport (NRT). Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service.

From Tokyo Haneda airport (HND) : JPY25,000 per person / one way.

From Narita International airport (NRT) : JPY30,000 per person / one way.

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel(s) and the ice-rink from Monday, November 18 afternoon.

The Organizing Committee must be informed via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events about the date and time of arrival and departure of the Competitors and officials as soon as possible, but at the latest by **Thursday, October 17, 2024**.

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.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

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

- Please complete provided Visa Invitation Information Form with all needed data

Visa Requirements:

Please check well before your departure on what your countries specific visa requirements and processing times will be to enter the United States.

The 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.

Please submit all this information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas completed in due time.

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 or the Japan Skating Federation at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

Organizing Committee

Japan Skating Federation

Contact person: Tomoko Doi (Ms.)

E-mail: entries-ss2024@skatingjapan.or.jp

Address: Japan Sport Olympic Square,
4-2, Kasumigaokamachi,
Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, 160-0013, Japan

Tel: +81 3 5843 0415

Fax: +81 3 5843 0416

Media accreditation

Contact person: Toshimichi Adachi (Mr.)

E-mail: entries-ss2024@skatingjapan.or.jp

WEBSITE

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

<https://speedskating2024.jp/>

https://app.isuresults.eu/events/2025_JPN_0002/schedule

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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