

NOVEMBER 21–23, 2025 ANNOUNCEMENT #SPEEDSKATING













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On behalf of the Speed Skating Canada and the Calgary Olympic Oval we have the honour and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

ISU SPEED SKATING

WORLD CUP

2025/26

which will be held at the Calgary Olympic Oval in Calgary, Alberta, Canada on November 21-23, 2025

The Competition will be held under the 2024 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2728.

This World Cup Competition will serve as one of the qualifying events for quota places at the ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2026 and XXV Olympic Winter Games Milano-Cortina 2026.

PROGRAM:

| Thursday, November 20: | 16:00 17:00 18:00 | Team leaders' Meeting, Virtual Medical Meeting, Virtual Opening draw, Virtual | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|--|
| Friday, November 21: | 10:30 | Division B: | Women 1000m Men 1000m Women 3000m Men 5000m | |
| | 17:00 | Division A: | Women 1000m Men 1000m Women 3000m Men 5000m | |
| Saturday, November 22: | 10:05 | Division B: | Women 500m Men 500m Women 1500m Men 1500m | |
| | 12:30 | Division A: | Women 500m Men 500m Women 1500m Men 1500m | |
| Sunday, November 23: | 9:00 | Division B: | Women Team Pursuit Men Team Pursuit Women 500m Men 500m Women Mass Start Men Mass Start | |
| | 13:00 | Division A: | Women Team Pursuit Men Team Pursuit Women 500m Men 500m Women Mass Start Men Mass Start 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

Calgary Olympic Oval 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 5 meters. In accordance with Rue 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. 2728, 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 | Tuesday, October 28 |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Accreditation Requests for Teams | Tuesday, October 28 |
| Travel Dates & Transportation Requests | Sunday, November 2, 2025 |
| Final Entries | November 17 – 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. 2731, need to be strictly observed.

For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communication No. 2731 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. 2728, the entry quotas (maximum number of entries per distance, subject to the qualifying times criteria) for this competition are:

| " ISU | | WOMEN | | | ISU N | | | MEN | | ISU | |
|-------|--------|-------|------|------|--------------|--------|-----|------|------|---------------|--------|
| # | Member | 500 | 1000 | 1500 | 3000 5000 | Member | 500 | 1000 | 1500 | 5000 10000 | Member |
| 1. | AUT | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | AUT | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | AUT |
| 2. | BEL | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | BEL | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | BEL |
| 3. | CAN | 5* | 5* | 5* | 5 | CAN | 5* | 5* | 5* | 5* | CAN |
| 4. | CHN | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | CHN | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | CHN |
| 5. | CZE | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | CZE | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | CZE |
| 6. | DEN | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | DEN | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | DEN |
| 7. | ESP | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ESP | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ESP |
| 8. | EST | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | EST | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | EST |
| 9. | FRA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | FRA | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | FRA |
| 10. | GER | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | GER | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | GER |
| 11. | HUN | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | HUN | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | HUN |
| 12. | ITA | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | ITA | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | ITA |
| 13. | JPN | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | JPN | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | JPN |
| 14. | KAZ | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | KAZ | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | KAZ |
| 15. | KOR | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | KOR | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | KOR |
| 16. | NED | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | NED | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | NED |
| 17. | NOR | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | NOR | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | NOR |
| 18. | POL | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | POL | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | POL |
| 19. | SUI | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | SUI | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | SUI |
| 20. | TPE | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | TPE | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | TPE |
| 21. | USA | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | USA | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | USA |

^{*} as hosting ISU Member

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. 2728, paragraph 3.1.2.

¹ For Skating Union of Belarus and Russian Skating Union, and skaters from Belarus and Russia, please refer to ISU Communications Nos. 2469, 2680 and 2708.

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. 2728, 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. 2728, 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. 2728, 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. 2728, paragraph 5.

PRIZES AND POINTS

For each event, World Cup points and prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2728, 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 17 to Thursday, November 20. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, November 20 at 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Speed Skating Canada 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.

Accommodation requests must be submitted in OES.

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

Changes to the accommodation requests after the deadline must be sent <u>directly to your assigned hotel</u> with the Organizing Committee in copy (<u>worldcup@speedskating.ca</u>)

- Tamara Taggart at Best Western Village Park Inn (sales@villageparkinn.com)
- Gurneet Sandhu at Aloft Calgary University (salesmgr@aloftcalgaryuniversity.com)

OFFICIAL HOTEL(S)

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

Best Western Plus Village Park Inn

1804 Crowchild Trail NW Calgary, AB T2M 3Y7 Telephone: +1 (403) 289-0241 www.villageparkinn.com

Aloft Calgary University

2359 Banff Trail NW6 Calgary, AB T2M 4L2 Telephone: +(403-289-1973) www.aloftcalgaryuniversity.com

The cost of a room at these official hotels will be as follows (including all taxes):

Price per room is for single to double occupancy (maximum of two people per room) and includes a hot buffet breakfast.

| Double/Traditional Queen (2 queen beds) or Traditional King (1 king bed) | \$149 CAD + taxes = \$172.16 CAD | |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Atrium King (1 king bed plus pull-out couch) | \$159 CAD + taxes = \$183.71CAD | |

Additional costs for lunch and dinner (including drinks) are as follows:

| Lunch Buffet | \$27 CAD + 18% gratuity + 5% tax = \$33.45 CAD per person |
|---------------|---|
| Dinner Buffet | \$36 CAD + 18% gratuity + 5% tax = \$44.60 CAD per person |

Payment: Cash in CAD or credit card (Visa, Mastercard, AMEX).

Alt Hotel Calgary University District (ISU Hotel)

482 McLaurin St NW Calgary, AB T3B 6K3

Telephone: +1 (403) 648-0482

https://www.germainhotels.com/en/alt-hotel/calgary-university-district

Cancellation policy:

A 50% down payment is required at time of booking.

80% attrition rate after **Tuesday**, **October 28**, **2025**. Meaning you can cancel free of charge up to 1 week before arrival 20% of the rooms you reserved. You are responsible for payment of 80% of the rooms reserved. Any additional rooms cancelled within 72h of arrival will be charged at the rate of one night.

Room availability is on a first-come-first-serve basis. 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 hotels.

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

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Sunday, November 16 to Monday, November 24 from and to the Calgary International Airport (YYC). Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service.

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice-rink beginning on Monday, November 17.

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 Sunday, November 2, 2025. Any changes after November 2, 2025, must be requested to the Organizing Committee by email at worldcup@speedskating.ca and cannot be guaranteed.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

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

- Participant name
- Participant role
- Participant date of birth
- Participant passport number

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:

| Туре | 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 accreditationsetc. |
| ISU Member Officials** (No access to athletes zone) | Up to maximum 3 accreditations |

^{*} Competitor = competing skater (substitutes excluded)

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 Speed Skating Canada at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

Speed Skating Canada
Jill Lynch
Worldcup@speedskating.ca
+1 587-433-8646

Media accreditation
Alain Brouillette
abrouillette@speedskating.ca

WEBSITE

Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following official event website(s): https://speedskating.ca/international-event/calgary2025/

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.

^{**} President, Vice Presidents, CEO, General Secretary, Managers, etc.



