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On behalf of the Norwegian Skating Association, and Hamar Skating Club,
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 Hamar Olympic Hall "Vikingskipet"
in Hamar, Norway
on *December 12-14, 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, ISU World Speed Skating Championships 2026, Allround & Sprint format, and XXV Olympic Winter Games Milano-Cortina 2026.

PROGRAM:

Thursday, December 11:	14:00	Medical Meeting, Vikingskipet
	16:00	Team leaders' Meeting, Scandic hotel
	17:30	Opening draw, Virtual
Friday, December 12:	13:40*	Division B: 500 Women 500 Men 1500 Women 1500 Men
	18:30	Division A: 500 Women 500 Men 1500 Women 1500 Men
Saturday, December 13:	08:40*	Division B: 1000 Women 1000 Men 3000 Women 5000 Men
	14:00	Division A: 1000 Women 1000 Men 3000 Women 5000 Men
Sunday, December 14:	09:00*	Division B: TP Women TP Men 500 Women 500 Men MS Women MS Men
	13:00	Division A: TP Women TP Men 500 Women 500 Men MS Women MS Men MR

*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

Hamar Olympic Hall "Vikingskipet" is an indoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radii of 25,9 and 29,5 meters respectively. The width of the inside training

track is 4 meters. In accordance with Rue 228 a protective inflatable 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 (number of rooms only)	November 10, 2025
Accommodation deadline with names	November 24, 2025
Accreditation Requests for Teams	November 20, 2025
Travel Dates & Transportation Requests	November 20, 2025
Final Entries	December 8, 2025 – 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 Member	WOMEN				ISU Member	MEN				ISU Member
		500	1000	1500	3000 5000		500	1000	1500	5000 10000	
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	4	4	4	5	CAN	4	4	3	3	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	5*	5*	5*	5*	NOR	5*	5*	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, *December 8, 2025*. Trial starts will be organized on December 10, 2025 according to the training schedule posted separately.

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, Norwegian Skating Association 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 at the official hotel will be as follows (including all taxes):

Scandic:

Single Room occupancy: 2055 NOK (app.175 Euro) per room per night. Price including meals and drinks.

Double Room occupancy: 3070 NOK(app.258 Euro) per room per night. Price including meals and drinks.

Clarion Astoria: Single Room occupancy: 2050 NOK (app.174 Euro) per room per night. Price including meals and drinks.

Double Room occupancy: 2940 NOK (app.250 Euro) per room per night. Price including meals and drinks.

Federations may request one of the two hotels in the OES, but the OC has the right to change the hotel if there is no capacity in the preferred hotel.

Cancellation policy: Preliminary booking deadline – November 10. After this date the Teams can cancel up to 10% of the rooms with no cost. If there is no booking from the Nation on November 10, we cannot guarantee the rooms.

November 10 – November 27: each Team can cancel one room with no cost.

After November 27: no free cancellation, all reserved rooms must be paid.

Payment: credit card on site [Visa, Master Card] or invoice will be sent to the Federations after the Event.

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

OFFICIAL HOTELS

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

Scandic Hamar
Vangsvegen 121,
2318, Hamar, Norway

Clarion Collection Hotel Astoria
Torggata 23,
2317 Hamar

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

TRANSPORTATION

NB! Each Team is responsible for their transportation from the airport to Hamar. Bus and train are self-paid. We recommend to take a train from Oslo Gardermoen airport to Hamar train station. Shuttle bus transportation from and to Hamar train station costs 10 Euro per person for both ways. Please enter your travel details in the ISU Online Entry System. Train tickets can be purchased in the ticket-machines at the airport or online <https://www.vy.no/en>.

If your Team prefers bus, send a transportation request to ta@jvb.no. The Organizing Committee may group different teams arriving close to each other together in a bus, therefore short waiting times may occur.

All Teams must enter their arrival/departure information via the ISU Online Entry System.

The Organizing Committee will provide shuttle services from the oval to/from the official hotel starting from Monday, December 8, 2025 until Sunday, December 14, 2025.

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 Norwegian Skating Association if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

- Name and Surname
- Date of birth
- Passport number
- Date of issue
- Expiry date
- Function in the Team

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

To facilitate immigration procedures all Event participants (Skaters, Team staff, Officials) need to present a personal invitation letter for the Event on arrival in Norway. Personal information as specified above for Visa application must therefore be submitted to the OC not later than October 1, 2025.

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

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Media accreditation

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WEBSITE

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

<https://www.skoyteforbundet.no/Hamar2025/>

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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