

ISU **EUROPEAN SPEED SKATING**
CHAMPIONSHIPS
HEERENVEEN 2025



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ANNOUNCEMENT

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On behalf of *KNSB*, the Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

EUROPEAN SPEED SKATING **CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025**

which will be held in Heerenveen, Netherlands on January 10-12, 2025

PROGRAM

Thursday, January 9, 2025	16:00	Team leaders Meeting, virtual
	TBC	Medical Meeting, TBC
	18:00	Opening Draw, online
Friday, January 10, 2025	18:54	Opening Ceremony
	19:00 – 21:40*	500m Women Sprint (1) 500m Men Sprint (1) 1000m Women Sprint (1) 1000m Men Sprint (1)
Saturday, January 11, 2025	10:55 - 18:09*	500m Women Sprint (2) 500m Men Sprint (2) 500m Women Allround 500m Men Allround 1000m Women Sprint (2) 1000m Men Sprint (2) 3000m Women Allround 5000m Men Allround Award Ceremony Women Sprint Award Ceremony Men Sprint
Sunday, January 12, 2025	13:50- 17:59*	1500m Women Allround 1500m Men Allround 5000m Women Allround 10 000m Men Allround Award Ceremony Women Allround Award Ceremony Men Allround

* *Estimated ending time*

REGULATIONS

The ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2025 (Sprint & Allround Competitions) will be held in accordance with the 2024 Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU), and relevant ISU Communications, in particular ISU Communication No. 2654.

Participation in the Championships is open to skaters who belong to a European ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 2) and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 2654.

TRACK

Thialf 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 4 meters. In accordance with Rue 228 a protective moveable padding system will be installed around the track.

TITLE AND AWARDS

The winners of the Allround and Sprint combinations will bear the title: "European ____ Speed Skating Champion for 2025". All winners will be awarded the ISU Championships "gold" medal. The Skaters placed second and third will be awarded the ISU Championships "silver" and "bronze" medals, respectively. See Rule 133, paragraph a).

Prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2516, or any further update of this Communication.

ENTRIES

The entry quotas will be determined partly by the results from the European Speed Skating Championships (Allround & Sprint Competitions) 2023 and partly by results achieved during the ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competitions held in November-December 2024, in accordance with Rule 208, paragraphs 2.2.1, 2.3.1, 2.4.1 and ISU Communication No. 2654. The actual entry quotas will be published by the ISU and communicated to the ISU Members concerned in due time before the deadline for final entries.

According to ISU Communication No. 2654 and Rule 208, paragraphs 2.3.1 and 2.4.1, the following ISU Members have been pre-allocated entry quotas (maximum 2 pre-allocated quotas per ISU Member) for the **Sprint Combination**:

ISU Member	Women	Men
Austria	1	---
Belgium	1	---
Estonia	---	1
Germany	1	2
Great Britain	1	---
Italy	1	1
Netherlands	2	2
Norway	1	2
Poland	2	2
Romania	1	---
Spain	---	1
Total	11 Competitors	11 Competitors

Additional quota places up to the total of 20 quota places per gender (with a maximum of 3 competitors per ISU Member) will be allocated based on results at ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competitions held in November-December 2024. See ISU Communication No. 2654 for details.

According to ISU Communication No. 2654 and Rule 208, paragraph 2.2.1 and 2.4.1, the following ISU Members have been pre-allocated entry quotas (maximum 2 pre-allocated quotas per ISU Member) for the **Allround Combination**:

ISU Member	Women	Men
Belgium	---	1
Czechia	1	---
France	---	2
Germany	2	1
Italy	1	1
Netherlands	2	2
Norway	2	2
Poland	1	1
Sweden	1	---
Total	10 Competitors	10 Competitors

Additional quota places up to the total of 20 quota places per gender (with a maximum of 3 competitors per ISU Member) will be allocated based on results at the ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competitions held in November-December 2024. See ISU Communication No. 2654 for details.

Entries for the ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2025 (Sprint & Allround Competitions) will only be accepted for Skaters who have reached the qualifying times for the event concerned, as listed in ISU Communication No. 2654, paragraph 4.2.1.

Entries can **only** be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events available at www.isu.org, section Speed Skating or at <https://ssk-entries.isu.org/> and respecting the following deadlines:

Preliminary Entries & Accommodation Requests	December 16, 2024
Accreditation Requests for Teams	December 23, 2024
Travel Dates & Transportation Requests	December 23, 2024
Final Entries	January 6, 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 1628 need to be strictly observed.

For more details please refer to Rules 115, 131, 208 and ISU Communication No. 1628.

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

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.

DRAWING

The drawing will be made in accordance with Rules 239, 240 (paragraph 5) and 242.

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).

LIABILITY

In accordance with the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, KNSB and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with this Championship. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track and gym facilities will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday January 6, 2025. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday January 9, 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 Monday December 23, 2024.

Decisions on changes' request will be taken by the Organizing Committee in consultation with the ISU.

BOARD AND LODGING

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel from lunch on Thursday, January 9 until lunch on Monday, January 13, 2025 (Rule 137 paragraphs 10 and 14) for all Competitors participating in the Championships (not for the substitutes) and 1 Team leader or coach for each ISU Member. Expenses of other Skaters and officials (i.e. reserves, substitutes, coaches, other team staff members and accompanying persons) other than those mentioned above, and expenses before or after the period mentioned above, will be at their own expense.

Accommodation requests can **only** be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events.

OFFICIAL HOTELS

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the

Hotel I: Van Der Valk Wolvega (15 min)*

Hotel II: Van Der Valk Sneek (20 min)*

Hotel III: Van Der Valk Emmeloord (30 min)*

* The Organizing Committee and Hotel Manager will divide the Teams over the needed hotels.

Hotel prices, incl. VAT, excl. tourist tax and including onsite transportation from ice rink to the hotel:

Single room with full board (meals & drinks) for 1 person - €182,50* per room per night

Double room with full board (meals & drinks) for 2 persons - €265* per room per night

*Price in Euro is fixed. Foreign currency depending on Euro exchange rate.

Cancellation policy:

- Deadline December 23, 2024.

o Preliminary number of rooms per team.

o Until final order, the hotel will reserve the number of rooms.

No prepayment invoice is issued, full payment within 21 days after check out

o If your federation wants to pay in cash or credit card upon check in please inform the OC.

o Cancellation between 23.12.24 – 05.01.25 charged with 15% fee.

- Deadline January 5, 2025.

o Final reservation includes final number of rooms and roominglist which indicates single/double and names..

o No prepayment invoice is issued, full payment 21 days after check out

o Cancellation after January 5, 2025 until day of arrival charged with 30% fee.

o Cancellation on day of arrival after 12:00 o' clock or no shows are fully charged for the first night.

All additional costs must be paid at check out.

Any additional costs such as laundry / drinks / transfers can be paid by most major credit cards and cash in Euro.

Payment (before check-in): Via invoice or cash in Euro or credit card (all CC accepted)

Accommodation requests can only be made directly with the Organizing Committee via the OES (<https://ssk-entries.isu.org/login>)

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday January 6, 2025 to Monday January 13, 2025 from and to the Schiphol Airport, at the participating Teams' expense. A special low-rate will be agreed upon based on the Teams' travel details.

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(s) and the ice-rink from Monday January 6, 2025 to Sunday January 12, 2025.

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 Monday December 23, 2024.

(A price estimate is €195,- in total per ride (up to a maximum of 6 persons per ride). Groups with 30 persons or more will be transferred with a coach/touring car service at a rate of €795,- per ride from/to Airport/Sneek/Wolvega and €695,00 per ride from/to Airport/Emmeloord. Prices are excluding taxes and including fuel.)

Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service. 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. A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotels and the ice-rink starting Monday January 6, 2025.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

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

- First name;
- Last name;
- Passport number;
- Date of birth.

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 The Netherlands. Personal information as specified above for Visa application must therefore be submitted to the OC not later than November 1, 2024.

ACCREDITATIONS

Only the following number of Team Officials can receive an accreditation:

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 extra Team Officials/Federation Officials accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

All inquiries should be addressed to:

Phone: +31 20 4969 9173

E-mail: oc@houseofsports.nl

Contact persons: Fleur de Bouter and Isis van Haastregt

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:

Phone: +31651130659

E-mail: H.nieuwenburg@knsb.nl

Contact person: Hans Nieuwenburg

WEB SITE

Information concerning the competition will be available at the following official event website:
<https://www.schaatsen.nl/kalender/isu-ek-sprint-en-allround2025/>

Live results of the competition will be available at the following website:
https://live.isureults.eu/events/2025_NED_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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