

### HAMAR, NORWAY MARCH 13-16, 2025

# ANNOUNCEMENT

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On behalf of the Norwegian Skating Association, the Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

## **ISU WORLD SINGLE DISTANCES**

## **SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025**

which will be held in Hamar, Norway on March 13-16, 2025

#### PROGRAM

Wednesday, March 12, 2025	14:00	Medical Meeting, Vikingskipet
	16:00	Team Leaders Meeting + Welcome Reception, Scandic Hamar
	17:30	Opening Draw, published online
Thursday, March 13, 2025	17:37	Opening Ceremony
	18:00 - 21:44*	3000m Women 5000m Men Team Sprint Women Team Sprint Men
Friday, March 14, 2025	19:00 - 21:31*	Team Pursuit Women Team Pursuit Men 500m Women 500m Men
Saturday, March 15, 2025	14:00 - 17:09*	1000m Women 1000m Men 5000m Women Mass Start Men
Sunday, March 16, 2025	12:00 - 16:24*	1500m Men 1500m Women 10 000m Men Mass Start Women

\* Estimated ending time

#### REGULATIONS

The ISU World Speed Skating Championships (Single Distances and Team Competitions) 2025 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 an ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 1) that has been allocated quota place(s) for the Championships, and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 2654.

#### 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.

#### TITLE AND AWARDS

The winners of the individual/team races will bear the title: "World Speed Skating Champion \_\_\_\_\_ for 2025". All winners will be awarded the ISU Championships gold medal. The Skaters or teams 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

Entries for the ISU World Speed Skating Championships (Single Distances and Team Competitions) 2025 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.

ISU Members may enter a maximum of three (3) Skaters in each individual distance, except for 5000m Women, 10 000m Men, Mass Start Women and Mass Start Men where the maximum entry quotas per ISU Member is two (2). The specific entry quotas for each ISU Member will be announced by the ISU following the results of the qualifying competitions (ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competitions #1 to #6 held during the season 2024/25), in accordance with Rule 208, paragraph 2.1.1, and ISU Communication No. 2654.

The total number of Competitors for each distance will be limited as follows:

500 meters Women and Men	24 Skaters
1000 meters Women and Men	24 Skaters
1500 meters Women and Men	24 Skaters
3000 meters Women and 5000 meters Men	20 Skaters
5000 meters Women and 10 000 meters Men	12 Skaters
Mass Start Women and Men	24 Skaters
Team Pursuit Women and Team Pursuit Men	8 Teams
Team Sprint Women and Team Sprint Men	8 Teams

Entries can **only** be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events available at <u>www.isu.org</u>, section Speed Skating or at <u>https://ssk-entries.isu.org/</u> and respecting the following deadlines: Proliminary Accommodation deadline (number of rooms per 124.01.2025

Preliminary Accommodation deadline (number of rooms per	24.01.2025
Team, names not needed)	
Confirmation of names for the hotel	03.03.2025
Preliminary Entries	13.02.2025
Accreditation Requests for Teams	03.03.2025
Travel Dates & Transportation Requests	03.03.2025
Final Entries	10.03.2025 – 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 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 drawings will be made in accordance with Rules 239 and 240, paragraph 5.

#### ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

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, the Norwegian Skating Association 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, March 10, 2025. Trial starts will be organized on Wednesday, March 12, 2025 according to the training schedule.

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 March 6, 2025. 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 Wednesday, March 12 until lunch on Monday, March 17, 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 HOTEL**

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the <u>Scandic Hamar</u> Vangsvegen 121, N-2318 Hamar

Hotel prices:

Single room with full board (meals & drinks) for 1 person - 2055NOK – app.175 Euro (including all taxes, breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Double room with full board (meals & drinks) for 2 persons - 3070NOK – app.265 Euro (including all taxes, breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Cancellation policy: cancellation before Feb. 17; 25 % refund, no refund after March 3, 2025. The Organizing Committee will pay only for participants (excluding substitutes) and one Team Leader from each

Team from March 12, 2025 until March 16, 2025. All other rooms booked must be paid by Participating ISU Members.

**NOTE:** requests for single rooms for Skaters can **not** be guaranteed based on the amount of rooms contracted by the OC and the host hotel. The OC is responsible to pay only for double occupancy rooms. Single rooms will be paid for the team leader and if there is an odd number of Skaters in the team. *Invoices for the accommodation will be sent to the Member Federations after the ISU World Championships and need to be paid before the deadline stated in the invoice.* 

#### TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday, March 10 until Saturday, March 15 from Hamar Railway Station to the Official Hotel and from Thursday, March 13 until Monday, March 17 from the Official Hotel to Hamar Railway Station. Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service.

Transportation from Oslo Airport Gardermoen will be by public train service <u>https://www.vy.no/en</u> The train departs from Oslo Airport Gardermoen approximately every 60 minutes from 06:59 in the morning until 23:59 in the evening.

The Organizing Committee will provide complimentary train tickets for all teams at arrival in Oslo Airport Gardermoen and at the information desk at the official hotel for departure. The train leaves from tracks number 1 and 3. The travel takes 50 minutes from Gardermoen airport to Hamar Railway station. When returning from Hamar to Gardermoen airport, the train leaves every hour from 05:00 until 22:00 (05:00, 06:00, 07:00 etc).

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice-rink from Monday, March 10, 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 February 27, 2025.

#### **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 Event participants (Skaters, Team staff, Officials) travelling from non-European countries 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 February 27, 2025.

#### 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 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.

#### THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

All inquiries should be addressed to: Norwegian Skating Association Postboks 5000 0840 Oslo Phone: +47 91828999 Email: nsfevent@nif.idrett.no

#### MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Media accreditation requests for ISU Championships must be submitted via the ISU Online Media Accreditation System <u>https://www.isu.org/media-centre/accreditations/media</u>

Information for the media will be available on the <u>ISU website</u> in due time.

For further information contact the OC Press Officer: Ms. Jane Meyer, +47 48008332, <u>nsfspeedskatingmedia@gmail.com</u>

#### WEBSITE

Information concerning the competition will be available at the following official event website: <u>https://www.skoyteforbundet.no/Hamar2025/</u> Live results of the competition will be available at the following website: <u>https://live.isuresults.eu/events/2025\_NOR\_0001/schedule</u>

#### ISU "INSIDE EVENTS" MOBILE APPLICATION

Daily information, link to 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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