



ANNOUNCEMENT





BLACKBURN TROPHY

INTERNATIONAL SOLO ICE DANCE COMPETITIONS

2 – 4 OCTOBER 2024

HOSTED BY WONDER ICE ACADEMY

The 2024 Blackburn Trophy International Solo Ice Dance Competitions will be conducted in accordance with the ISU International Solo Ice Dance Competition Guidelines 2024/25

ISU General Rules and Requirements, and the International Solo Ice Dance Competition Guidelines 2024/25 Technical Rules and Level Requirements will be followed. Skaters must provide a passport or other proof of age to verify that skaters meet the age requirements as outlined in the International Solo Ice Dance Competition Guidelines 2024/25.

COMPETITION VENUE

All practice and competition event will take place at the Blackburn Ice Arena,

LOWER AUDLEY STREET, BLACKBURN BB2 3DY

Phone: +44 1254 668686

Size of the ice rink is 30m x 59m

There is a skate shop and a cafe in the facility.



EVENT REQUIREMENTS

The requirements for International Solo Ice Dance Competitions will follow the requirements announced annually in the ISU International Solo Ice Dance Guidelines.

- General Rules and Requirements 2024/25
- Technical Rules and Requirements 2024/25

EVENTS OFFERED WILL BE:

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| • Basic Novice | 2 Pattern Dances and 1 Free Dance |
| • Intermediate Novice | 2 Pattern Dances and 1 Free Dance |
| • Advanced Novice | 2 Pattern Dances and 1 Free Dance |
| • Junior | 1 Rhythm Dance and 1 Free Dance |
| • Senior | 1 Rhythm Dance and 1 Free Dance |

The Pattern Dances and Rhythm Dance will be skated prior to the Free Dance.

Age Requirements (**before 1 July preceding the competition**):

- Novice:
 - Basic Novice – has not reached the age of fourteen (**14**)
 - Intermediate Novice – has not reached the age of sixteen (**16**)
 - Advanced Novice – has reached the age of ten (10) and has not reached the age of eighteen (**18**)
- Junior: Has reached the age of thirteen (13) and has not reached the age of twenty one (**21**)
- Senior: Has reached at least the age of seventeen (**17**)



ENTRY FEE

The entry fee for all events will be £170. Entry fees are required to be paid at the time of entry. The Wonder Ice Academy will use an online registration and payment system for all registrations.

At the discretion of the Organising Committee late entries may be accepted and subject to a £50 late entry fee.

ELIGIBILITY

The UK Figure Skating members must meet BIS criteria to participate in these competitions. UK Skaters who have not paid their BIS membership at the time of the draw will not be entered into the draw and will be considered withdrawn. Refunds will not be issued for skater withdrawals for any reason

ENTRIES

All entries must be submitted online by **Monday, 16 September 2024 at 5pm UK time**

The announcement and the registration form link will be available on the ISU website, BIS website, official event website, Facebook page, and our **Sportity App**

Sportity is available from the [app store](#) / [google play](#) and can be used with the password: **BLACKBURNTROPHY_24**



COMPETITION REGISTRATION

Registration Deadline:

Monday 16th September 2024 @ 5 pm UK Time

Late Registration Deadline (if offered): Saturday 21st September 2024 @ 5pm UK Time + £50 Late Fee

The organisers of the competition will:

Retain the right to refuse entry without reason assigned.

Retain the right of decision on all matters, their decision being final.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to close entries early if maximum capacity is reached. At the discretion of the Organizing Committee and the Referee, late entries may be accepted and are subject to a £50 late fee. **If late registration is opened, it will close by Saturday 21st September 2024 @ 5pm UK Time or when maximum entries have been received / accepted.**

PANELS OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member may nominate one international judge or ISU judge educated in the ISU judging system. The organising committee reserves the right to limit the number of judges in accordance with number of entries. The organiser will cover accommodation for accepted judges and invited officials.

Meals for accepted judges and invited officials will be provided at the arena during the days of competition.

To nominate a judge, please email: blackburntrophy@wonderice.co.uk



JUDGES, REFEREES AND TECHNICAL PANEL

The Organising committee will provide ground transportation and cover the expenses for accommodation and meals. Organiser will additionally cover economy roundtrip airfare for invited Technical Panel Officials (Referee, TC, TS, Data/Video).

ACCOMMODATIONS

The official hotel for the Blackburn Trophy International Solo Ice Dance Competitions is:

Hampton by Hilton Blackburn

2 Frontier Ave, Blackburn BB1 3AL

Phone: +44 (0)1254 946060

Email: enquiries@hamptonblackburn.com

Hotel Reservation Link:

https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/manubhx-hampton-blackburn/?SEO_id=GMB-EMEA-HX-MANUBHX

Premier Inn Blackburn Town Centre hotel

3 Cathedral Square, Blackburn BB1 1EP

Phone: +44 (0)333 321 3081

Hotel Reservation Link:

https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/england/lancashire/blackburn/blackburn-town-centre.html?cid=GLBC_BLABUR

Skaters and Coaches should make their own reservations.



ACCREDITATION

The official accreditation point will be at the **Blackburn Ice Rink** on Wednesday, 2nd October upon arrival.

Accreditation will be given to all Competitors, Coaches, Judges and Officials.

OPENING DRAW

There will be an electronic draw - Friday, 27th of September 2024

The Starting Order for Free Dances will be the reverse of the Pattern Dances and Rhythm Dances results.

RESULTS AND ISU MINIMUM SCORE

The ISU Judging System, as described in the International Solo Ice Dance Competition Guidelines, will be used.

This is not an ISU Minimum Technical Score event.

AWARDS

Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places of each event, and will be presented on the ice after the official results are certified. Skaters or designees who are not able to make the award ceremony may pick up their medal at the registration desk afterwards. Awards not collected by the close of the competition will be forfeited.



INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with ISU Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the competitions to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance including the return to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means of the ill or injured person(s).

The Organising Committee assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection by the skaters, officials or any other participating persons.

All entrants, their parents and guardians, and officials agree to assume all risks of injury or illness to their person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims that they may have against any officials, British Ice Skating, the Wonder Ice Academy and its helpers, or Blackburn Arena and its staff.

The Blackburn Arena will provide Medical Emergency Aid during the Competition.

REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after the registration deadline date unless the event is cancelled.

Refunds will not be issued for skater withdrawals for any reason.



MUSIC

Skaters are required to upload their music no later than **Monday 16th September 2024 @ 5pm UK Time**

Please click here to upload your music.

All music must meet the following criteria. If you have questions about what format you have, please contact your coach and get a new version of your music that meets the criteria listed below.

Music must be uploaded in MP3 format

Each Skater must have their own back-up drive (USB stick) for each program in the format of MP3 file.

Example for music files:

AN_FD_John_Smith_GB

BN_Foxtrot_John_Smith_GB

JNR_FD_John_Smith_GB

Music Upload Form - <https://forms.gle/DULCgCzKnrnxa4MA8>

If you need assistance, email: blackburntrophy@wonderice.co.uk

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC)

DEADLINE: Monday 16th September 2024 @ 5pm UK Time

PPC Upload Form - <https://forms.gle/KbSVHdRCyE2Pd3QB9>

If you need assistance, email: blackburntrophy@wonderice.co.uk

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CHANGING AREAS

Dressing/changing rooms are available to skaters at this competition.

Dressing rooms are for athletes only and are labelled with regard to specific gender. Athletes aged 11 years or younger may be accompanied by one parent of the same gender to assist their child immediately prior to and after their skating event(s).

PRACTICE ICE

Unofficial practice ice will be available for purchase. A schedule of practice ice sessions will be posted on the website, Facebook and Sporty App soon after the competition schedule is published.

The unofficial practice ice fee is £10 for 20 minutes per skater.

PHOTO

There will be an Official Photographer attending the event, and photos will be available to purchase at the event and afterwards.

TRAVEL

The closest airport, Manchester International Airport, is approximately 45min (38 miles) from the Blackburn Arena

Other nearby airports are Liverpool John Lennon Airport which is approximately 60min (50 miles) from the Blackburn Arena



PRELIMINARY TIME SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 2nd October Basic Novice PD 1&2
Intermediate Novice PD 1&2
Advance Novice PD 1&2

Thursday, 3rd October Basic Novice FD
Intermediate Novice FD
Advance Novice FD
Junior RD
Senior RD
PRESENTATIONS

Friday, 4th October Junior FD
Senior FD
PRESENTATIONS

EXHIBITION GALA

(1st, 2nd, and 3rd places of each event and by Invitation)



CONTACT INFORMATION

General Enquiry - blackburntrophy@wonderice.co.uk

Alexei Kislitsyn - academy@wonderice.co.uk

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

[ISU International Solo Ice Dance Competition Guidelines - General Rules and Requirements 2024/25](#)

[ISU International Solo Ice Dance Competition Scale of Values](#)

PAYMENT INFORMATION

ENTRY FEES ARE REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF ENTRY

Wonder Ice Academy

NatWest Bank Sort Code: 01-09-17 Account Number: 66510740

Bank Identification Code (BIC): NWBKGB2L

International Bank Account Number (IBAN):
GB47NWBK01091766510740

OR:

Please pay by PayPal to academy@wonderice.co.uk

or click on QR Code



We look forward to see you all in Blackburn!

