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The Chinese Ice Skating Association and the Event Organizing Committee look forward to hosting media attending the ISU Speed Skating World Cup #1 in Beijing, China. The event will be held at the National Speed Skating Oval (2 Lincui Rd, Chaoyang, Beijing, China, 100107) from 13- 15 November, 2026.

This information will assist you in planning your trip to Beijing and apply for media accreditation to cover the event. Every effort will be made to ensure journalists and content creators have all the appropriate facilities necessary to work at the event.

1. Media Accreditation

To apply for media accreditation, please use the following links:

International media must apply for media accreditation through the ISU Online Media Accreditation System (OMAS) on the International Skating Union (ISU) website (www.isu.org) under the Media section.

Accreditations for Chinese media should be submitted here: https://www.bjcac.org.cn/

⚠ When registering / applying, please ensure all personal information and press credentials are updated and renewed at the start of each season.

Media accreditation is strictly reserved for **professional journalists and photographers** employed by or representing recognized media organizations (including agencies, print/online publications, TV/radio broadcasters) covering ISU Events for **editorial or news purposes**. Under specific conditions, content creators and social media reporters may be considered.

Additionally, **ISU Member Federation representatives** officially designated for media and communication duties may be eligible for accreditation.

⚠ Individuals affiliated with sponsors, brands, or marketing/advertising agencies are not eligible for media accreditation.

1.1. Accreditation Process & Requirements

To create your account and apply for ISU events, please fill in all required fields and follow the five-step registration process:

Step 1: Enter or verify your personal details and media organization contact information.

Step 2: Provide information about your media organization's digital presence and outreach.

Step 3: Upload all the required documents (see the full list of required data fields **here**).

Step 4: Review and accept the Terms and Conditions, then click on "Confirm" to complete your profile or save any updates.

Step 5: Proceed to the Event Application section by selecting first the disciplines and then specific events you wish to cover. You may apply to multiple events across different disciplines.

Only complete applications submitted before the respective deadlines will be considered.

All application deadlines are listed on the ISU website press section.

Quotas

If space is limited the following quota will be enforced:

Type of Media	Number of people per media organization
Written Press	• Media Organization (newspaper, magazine, web/community, agencies, ISU Member Federations): ***1 journalist***
	• Major Agency or Newspaper: ***2 journalists***
Photographer	• Media Organization: ***1 photographer*** • Major Agency or Newspaper: ***2 photographers*** • For Figure Skating, Synchronized Skating and Short Track Speed Skating: ***1 rink side position + the other in an elevated position.*** • For Speed Skating: ***2 rink side positions*** (if space permits).
TV Non-Right Holder	• Media Organization: ***3 persons crew max.*** (e.g. one reporter, one camera person, one editor)
Radio Non-Right Holder	• Media Organization: ***1 reporter (max.)***
Freelancer	• Freelance journalist or photographer: ***1 person*** o Freelancers must provide written evidence that they are assigned to cover the ISU Event on behalf of a media organization. o In case a freelancer is operating under its own account, they may be requested to submit additional written evidence (presentation letter, copy of past editorial pieces, etc).

1.2. Accreditation types and deadlines

The International Skating Union (ISU) and the Organizing Committee (OC) work diligently to ensure there will be ample coverage opportunities available to media outlets wishing to cover the ISU Events.

The type of media accreditation available for this event is as follows:

1. **On-site** media accreditation (subject to capacity)

Accreditation deadline for the Non-Right Holders: 30.10.2026

Accreditation deadline for Rights Holders: 06.11.2026

⚠ No late media accreditation applications will be accepted for on-site requests.

1.3. Non-Right Holders Media Restrictions during ISU Events

Non-Rights Holding media outlets – print/web journalists, TV/Radio, photographers, content creators and social media reporters – who have not negotiated any special production rights – need to abide by and agree to the rules in the conduct of their editorial work during ISU events.

1.3.1. Restricted areas

Filming in the below listed areas is strictly forbidden:

- Competitions / Field of play
- Training sessions (at the Main/Practice rinks)
- Warm-up zone
- Changing rooms
- Mixed Zone area
- From public seats at all times (even during ice resurfacing)

The transgression of any of these rules may result in the exclusion from ISU Events, removal of accreditation and legal actions.

1.3.2. Authorized areas

Non-Right Holders media are only allowed to produce video, audio-recorded material for editorial/news purposes in the following areas:

- In the Press Conference room
- Outside the venue

1.4. TV & Radio Rights Holders Accreditation / Services

All Rights Holders media must also apply for accreditation via OMAS through the ISU Media webpage.

Access to the Rights Holders online area is restricted. Therefore, Rights Holders are invited to contact the ISU Media Team (media@isu.org) in order to obtain a username and password.

To book any broadcasting services or facilities please contact the Broadcast Services Team:

Contact Person: **Ms. Tian Jiaqi** (**tianjiaqi@bjtybl.com**)

1.5. Accreditation confirmation and pick-up

If the accreditation request is accepted, an automatic email of confirmation will be issued. For on-site attendance, you may be asked to present a copy of the confirmation email and your passport at the accreditation desk to receive your accreditation badge.

You will also be notified if your accreditation request is denied**. Note that the ISU and OC reserve the right to refuse accreditation requests with or without justification.**

The operating hours and location of Venue Accreditation Desk is to be confirmed.

International media who need to pick up the Accreditation Card on site could contact the Media team of Beijing Organizing Committee via email (**media_sswc@163.com**).

2. Visa Application

Media representatives requiring an official invitation letter in order to apply for a journalist visa **must contact the Organizing Committee** (**csa@chinacsa.net.cn**).

Please note that an official invitation letter will only be provided to approved media representatives.

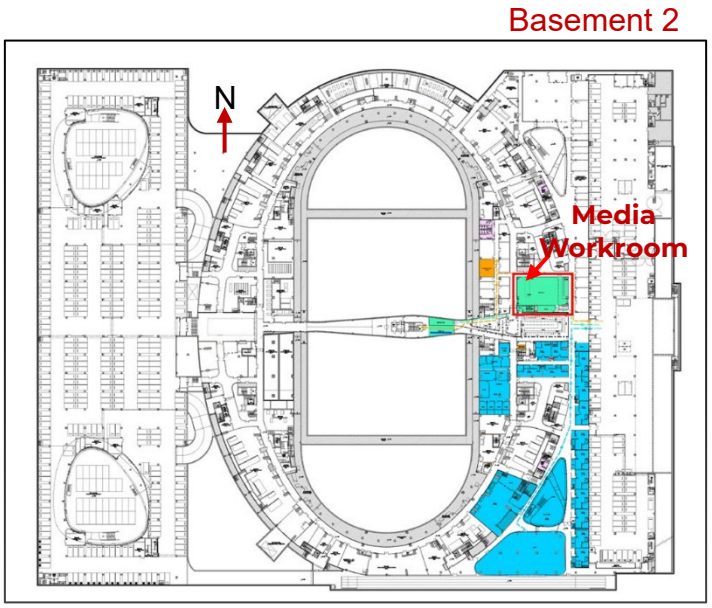
3. Media Facilities at the venue

The Media Centre and media tribunes will be open and operational as from the beginning of the official practice until one hour after the conclusion of the last competition every evening (including any medal, closing ceremony or other special event). The exact opening hours will be confirmed closer to the date of the event.

The Organizing Committee will provide accredited media personnel with high-level media working facilities and services to facilitate their full coverage of the event.

The Media Workroom is located in on the **east side of basement 2** of the competition venue (see below map), with about 70 workstations, equipped with power supply and network interface, and wireless network coverage. Journalists can plug in their own laptops at their workstations to access the Internet. There are about 30 lockers for photographic equipment, and the workstations are equipped with printers, photocopiers and other electronic office equipment.

In addition, there is an information board with a pigeon hole system to provide journalists with timely event results and general information. Coffee, tea, snacks and other refreshments will also be provided on-site.

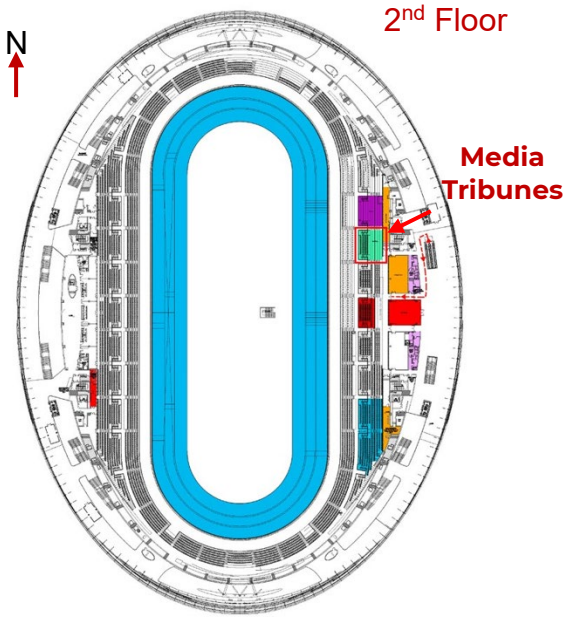


Map of Media Workroom

3.1. Media Tribunes and TV Commentators'positions

To enter the media tribunes, journalists will be requested to present their accreditation cards.

The media tribunes will be located on the **northeast side of the second floor** of the competition venue (**Zone E7**, see map below). There will be about 20 tabled seats and 40 non-tabled seats. The seats are equipped with power supply, wired internet and Wi-Fi connection, working tables and chairs.



Map of Media Tribunes

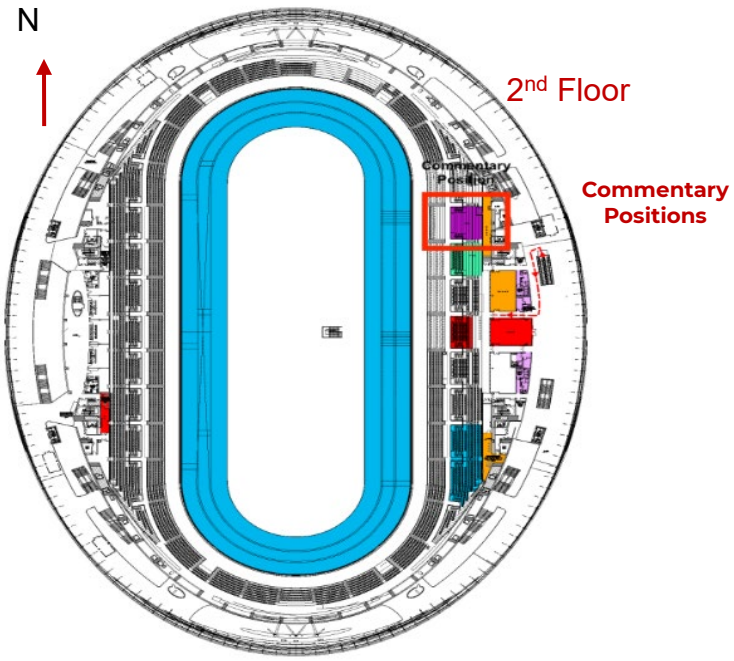
Commentary Positions will be located at **section E-8** which is on the **north-east side of the second floor** of the venue (see below map) with four positions in total.

Three types of commentary positions:

- **Fully equipped position** (equipped with 1 Desk with 3 seats, WIFI, Internet access, domestic power, broadcast technical power, 1 Monitor (World Feed with Graphics), 1 Commentary Unit with 2 Microphones/Headsets, CIS system, desk lamp)
- **Partially equipped position** (equipped with 1 Desk with 3 seats, WIFI, domestic power, 1 Monitor (World Feed with Graphics), CIS system, desk lamp)
- **None equipped position** (equipped with 1 Desk with 3 seats, WIFI, CIS system, domestic power)

*CCR is not available. RHBs need to bring their own Encoder.

*Quantity/ type of commentary positions are subject to change according to booking by RHB.

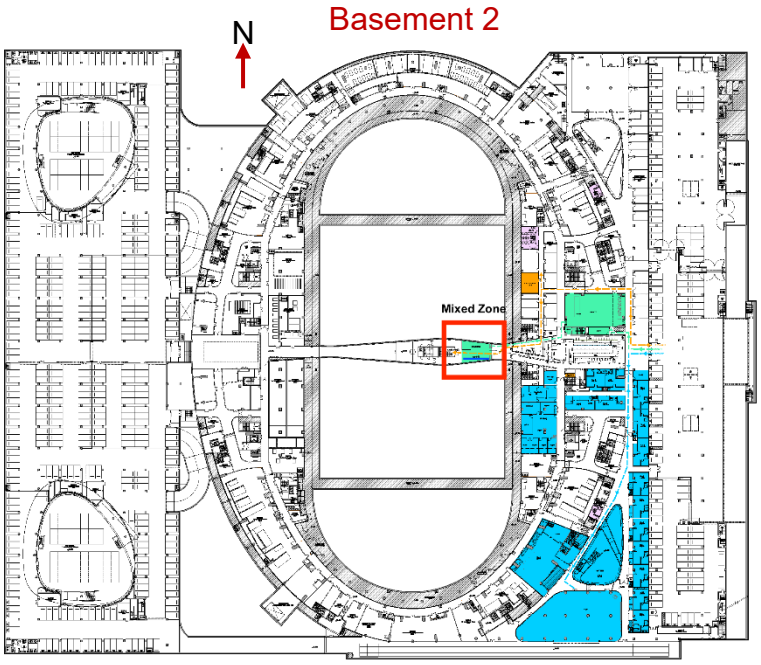


Map of Commentary Positions

3.2. Mixed Zone & Press Conferences

3.2.1. Mixed Zone

The Mixed Zone provides an opportunity for media to interview athletes immediately after competition.



Map of Mixed Zone

The Mixed Zone area is split into the following sections and follows a pre-determined priority order:

1. TV / Radio Rights Holders (with pre-booked positions)
2. ISU Production/Social Media crew
3. TV / Radio Rights Holders with ENG positions
4. Non-Rights Holders (print/web, TV/Radio, content creators without any production rights)

Athletes will go through the Mixed Zone on completion of every competition/race. Coaches may also be requested for interviews. The media operations team on-site will do its best to make sure the requested skaters go through the Mixed Zone for media interviews. However, it is not mandatory for the athletes to give interviews.

Interviews after medal ceremonies:

As the timing between the end of medal ceremonies and the start of press conferences is quite tight, note that medalists will go through the TV Right Holders' Mixed Zone for interviews and, if time permits, they could spend a limited time in the Non-Rights Holders area. If interviews in the Non-Rights Holders area must be cut short, all questions should then be asked during the press conferences.

⚠ **Priority will be given to medal ceremonies and TV Rights Holders.**

4. Media Digital Services

4.1. ISU Digital Press Services

The ISU provides relevant and live media information through a number of digital channels:

ISU Website:

- Home of Skating
- Inside ISU
- News Section
- Press Section
- ISU Event Webpage

ISU Photo Event Gallery

- Password details to the ISU Picdrop photo galleries for editorial and non-commercial purposes will be accessible on the Inside ISU Events App.

- When using a picture, the ISU must be credited as follows: ***©International Skating Union (ISU)*** and must be tagged or mentioned in any social media post.

ISU Social Media Accounts:

- Facebook: @ISUFigureSkating / @ISUSpeedSkating / @ISUShortTrackSpeedSkating
- Instagram: @ISUFigureSkating / @isuspeedskating
- Youtube: Skating ISU
- X: @ISU_Figure / @ISU_Speed
- Tik Tok: @isuskating
- Weibo: weibo.com/isuofficial
- Linkedin: https://www.linkedin.com/company/international-skating-union
- Naver: https://tv.naver.com/isuofficial
- LINE : https://page.line.me/isu_official

ISU Press Newsletter

Stay up to date with the latest news on ISU sports and governance by subscribing to our Press Newsletter here.

Inside ISU Event App:

- The Inside ISU Event App is the main source of information for media attending ISU Events on-site or remotely (if available).
- The password to access the Media App of the relevant Event is provided via OMAS once an accreditation is approved.

- You can download the App hereafter:



- **App Store**
- **Google Play**

***NEW*: WhatsApp Community**

- The ISU has introduced dedicated private WhatsApp groups for each discipline, providing accredited media with immediate access to the latest news and updates.
- Accredited media can join the relevant groups by scanning the QR code below.

5. Media Accommodation

The Organizing Committee has designated Grand Skylight Hotel Beijing as the official media hotel.

Media personnels are responsible for booking their own accommodation and bearing the cost themselves.

Booking contacts:

Official Website: **www.grandskylight.com**

E-mail: **zhangzr023@avic.com**

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5.1. Media Hotels

- **Hotel Name: Grand Skylight Hotel Beijing**
- **Star-rating:** ★★★★
- **Address:** No.18 Beichen East Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing China
- **Distance to the competition venue** (National Speed Skating Oval): 4.7 km





- **Room Category & Rate (CNY per room/night)**

  ✧ Room Type: **Superior King Bed Room**
  Room Rate: 600 CNY (including max. two breakfast)



  ✧ Room Type: **Superior Twin Bed Room**
  Room Rate: 600 CNY (including max. two breakfast)



- Room Type: **Business Suite**
  Room Rate: 900 CNY (including max. two breakfast)





- **Catering**
  - Restaurant: **TAI-CHI Chinese Restaurant**

TAI-CHI Chinese Restaurant is a high-end Cantonese restaurant. It has 14 VIP rooms and a stylish main hall. The restaurant offers Cantonese dishes, nourishing soups and food from other cities of China. The restaurant has located on the second floor of the hotel, TAI-CHI Chinese Restaurant can host 350 clients. With quality and considerate service, the restaurant can host all kinds of grand wedding and business banquets at its main hall, which can serve 200 guests.

Maximum pax: 200
Number of Private rooms: 14




✧ Restaurant: **Elysee Western Restaurant**

The restaurant mainly serves European food and various buffets. The restaurant's area is 696 square meters. It can serve 150-180 people for buffet at the same time.

Maximum pax: 180



5.2. Reservation Payment Conditions

- **Reservation Procedure**

Reservation Request (room type, number of rooms, check-in/check-out dates, etc.) from media needs to be sent via email to the hotel directly.

Hotel Reservations Contact: zhangzr023@avic.com

/!\ Please give a clear indication in the reservation email: “the booking request is from accredited media for the ISU Speed Skating World Cup”.

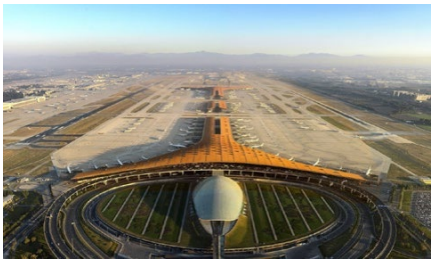
6. Transportation

6.1. Arrivals/Departures Transportation:

- **From Beijing Capital International Airport**

Located in Beijing's Shunyi District, it is the first mega international airport in Asia with three terminals, three runways and dual towers operating simultaneously. As the core node for Europe, Asia and North America, Beijing Capital International Airport has become the most convenient aviation hub connecting the three major aviation markets of Asia, Europe and the United States by virtue of its unique geographical location, convenient and quick transit process, and close and efficient synergistic cooperation.

Upon arrival at Beijing Capital Airport, passengers can take a cab to the hotel from the cab waiting area at the airport. Payment Method: RMB cash.

- **From Beijing Daxing International Airport**

It is a mega international aviation comprehensive transportation hub, a 4F-class international airport, a world-class aviation hub, and a new power source for national development.



Upon arrival at Beijing Daxing International Airport, you can take a taxi to the hotel from the taxi waiting area at the airport. Payment Method: RMB cash.

6.2. Transportation from media hotel to venue:

Shuttle bus services will be arranged from all the official media hotels to the main venue and the practice arena. Schedules will be provided on site and on the Inside ISU Events App.

/!\ Please be advised that the transportation service will only be available for the designated official media hotels.

7. Useful Information

7.1. Time Zone

Beijing is located in Greenwich East 8, 8 hours ahead of London. There is no daylight saving time in Beijing.

7.2. Currency and Exchange

The RMB is the legal tender of the People's Republic of China. The current denominations of RMB banknotes are 1 Yuan, 5 Yuan, 10 Yuan, 20 Yuan, 50 yuan and 100 yuan. Coins are available in denominations of 10 cents, 50 cents and 1 yuan. Currency exchange services are available at banks, international airports and some hotels. The exchange rate is the real-time rate of the day.

Based on October 28, 2026 Bank of China foreign exchange rates (foreign exchange rates change in real time, only for reference)

USD to CNY exchange rate: 1 USD = 6.6662 CNY
JPY to CNY exchange rate: 1 JPY = 0.0422 CNY
EUR to CNY exchange rate: 1 EUR = 7.4208 CNY
KRW to CNY exchange rate: 1 KRW = 0.005 CNY
CAD to CNY exchange rate: 1 CAD = 4.7426 CNY

7.3. Other useful information

Voltage
The standard voltage in China is 220 volts and the plugs are two or three flat plugs.

Drinking
The legal age for drinking alcohol in China is 18. Personal identification may be required in places such as stores and bars that sell alcohol.

Smoking
Cigarettes may not be sold to minors (under the age of 18) in China. Indoor smoking is restricted in many public places, hotels and restaurants in Beijing.

Tipping
Tipping is not customary in China, but service charges are included in the bill at some high-end hotels and restaurants, and may be required at some Western-style restaurants, depending on the circumstances.

8. Competition Information

- Schedule, Entry List, Results and Rankings will be available here.

For any additional questions or information, please do not hesitate to contact:

The Media Operations Team of Beijing Organizing Committee:
media_sswc@163.com

Link to ISU Event webpage