

Albena Denkova Kids Cup

Sofia, Bulgaria

03-08 November 2026



ANNOUNCEMENT

FIGURE SKATING CLUB ALBENA DENKOVA

and

BULGARIAN SKATING FEDERATION

Invites you to attend

the

14th Albena Denkova Kids Cup

Sofia, Bulgaria

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INTERCLUB FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION

for Advanced, Intermediate, Basic Novice, Cups and Chicks

1. GENERAL INFORMATION:

The **Albena Denkova Kids Cup 2026** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution 2025, Competition & Event Regulations 2026, the Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **Albena Denkova Kids Cup 2026** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify about eligibility according to Article 7.2, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Article 9.3.3 or any updated Communications.

2. TECHNICAL DATA:

2.1. PLACE OF THE COMPETITION:

Winter Sports Palace – Studentski grad District, Academician Boris Stefanov Str., Sofia, Bulgaria (an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 x 30 m, air-conditioned and heated).

2.2. CATEGORIES:

ADVANCED NOVICE BOYS & GIRLS

Age and technical requirements are according to ISU Communication 2770 and all respective ISU Communications.

Short Program: 2 min 20 sec, +/-10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min +/-10 sec

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE BOYS & GIRLS

Age and technical requirements are according to ISU Communication 2770 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 02:30 min, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE BOYS & GIRLS

Age and technical requirements are according to ISU Communication 2770 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

CUBS BOYS & GIRLS

Age requirements – Cubs is a skater who was born: 1.7.2016 – 30.6.2018.

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS BOYS & GIRLS

Age requirements - Chicks Skater is a skater who was born: 1.7.2018 and younger.

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

A well-balanced CUBS & CHICKS Free Skating Program must contain:

a) Maximum of five (4) jump elements one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or one (1) jump combination without using the Euler (half-loop) and one (1) jump sequence. Jump combinations and the jump sequence consist of two (2) jumps. In the jump sequence the second jump must be an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of

the first jump into the take-off curve of the Axel jump.

One full revolution on the ice between the jumps (free foot can touch the ice, but without weight transfer) keeps the element in the frame of the definition of a jump sequence. Jumps executed in a jump sequence receive their full value.

An Euler (half-loop) when used in a jump combination or sequence between two listed jumps will be called but not considered as a listed jump and will not be counted in the number of the jumps of the concerned jump combination or sequence. After the Euler (half-loop) no change of foot is allowed.

An Euler (half-loop) can only be executed once in the Free Skating.

No triple or quadruple jumps are allowed.

Only one single jump and one double jump (including Double Axel) can be repeated once.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination, and one must be a spin with no change of position and no change of foot.

The spin combination with a change of foot must have a minimum of eight (8) revolutions and without a change of foot with a minimum of six (6) revolutions. Flying entry is allowed. If with change of foot, only one level feature per foot will count. Difficult variation of a non-basic position is not counted as a feature in any spin; this will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The spin in one position without change of foot must have a minimum of six (6) revolutions, must be done in a basic position (camel, sit, layback or upright) and will be called maximum level basic. No level features are allowed in this spin. 8 revolutions can be done but will not count as an attempted feature. Flying entry is not allowed.

c) There must be a maximum of one (1) step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface and including at least one skating movement such as a spiral, spread eagle, Ina Bauer, hydroblading etc. If the skating movement is missing, no Level will be given. At least 2 difficult turns and steps must be executed on clean edges for Level basic. The twizzle needs to have at least two (2) revolutions to be counted. The Technical Panel will not award Feature 3) Use of body movements for at least 1/3 of the pattern and Feature 4) Two combinations of 3 difficult turns on different feet, and Feature 5) Body movements included in a combination of 3 difficult turns feature.

Levels explanations:

For Cubs & Chicks, in all elements that are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The following Program Components are judged:

- Composition
- Presentation
- Skating Skills

The factor for the Program Components is 1.67

3. ENTRIES:

All ISU members and clubs, which are members of Figure Skating Federations associated with ISU, are invited to take part in the competition.

Entries will be accepted by Member Federations or clubs.

Entry forms and Program Content Sheets must be sent to the following address:

Sports Club Albena Denkova / Bulgarian Skating Federation

31b Bratia Bukston Blvd, Sofia, Bulgaria

E-mail: albena-denkova@bsf.bg

Entry forms must reach the Event Organizer not later than October 15, 2026.

Entry forms can be downloaded from the ISU website or from the official website of the competition – <http://cup.clubdenkovastaviski.com>.

In case of too many entries, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants.

The organizer will not cover any expenses for competitors, team leaders, coaches, or chaperons.

4. CANCELLATION:

Cancellation of the competitor's entry must be done till **October 26, 2026**. For any latter cancellation the team leader of respective Federation or Club will be asked to pay the entry fee.

5. JUDGES:

Each participating ISU member may nominate one (1) International or ISU Judge. Nomination for Judge must be sent **together with the entry form for competitors**. The official entry form for Judges must reach the Organizing Committee, not later than **October 15, 2026**.

The Panels will be drawn after the closing of entries. The members concerned will be notified of the result of the draw.

Each panel of Judges will consist of a minimum of 3 Judges. The Panel of Judges in Advanced Novice category will consist of 5 Judges.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for accommodation and meals for all Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators and confirmed Judges at ***Hotel ZOO*******, beginning with dinner on Tuesday, November 03, 2026, until lunch on Monday, November 09, 2026.

Travel expenses will be covered only by Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators.

6. ENTRY FEE:

For Advanced Novice – **€ 100 per skater**.

For Intermediate Novice, Basic Novice, Cubs and Chicks – **€ 90 per skater**.

Payment shall be made by bank transfer or on the spot in the office of the Organizing Committee in the Winter Sports Palace during the accreditation.

Bank account:

INVESTBANK BULGARIA

IBAN: BG82IORT73711400332500

BIC: IORTBGSF

Bank holder: Club "Albena Denkova "

Please fill in the name and discipline of the skater and Club or Federation in the transfer details!

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason after the cancellation date.

When payment is made after the deadline or on spot during the accreditation, entry fee is:

- Advanced Novice – **€ 110 per skater**.
- Intermediate Novice, Basic Novice, Cubs and Chicks – **€ 100 per skater**.

7. MUSIC:

In accordance with Rule 343 in the ISU Special Regulations Technical Rules Single Pair Skating and Ice Dance, the following method to submit the Competitor's music to the Organizing Committee must be followed:

- The participating member is responsible for submitting the Competitor's music as an attachment to an email to the Organizing Committee (music@bsf.bg) until **October 15, 2025**. Please

note: some music files might exceed the size of a regular email. In this case, an email-based transfer service which allows sending large files could be used to send the file to the OC.

- Each submission shall be labelled with the name of the ISU Member, name of the category, segment, and the name(s) of the competitor(s).

Example:

BUL_AdvancedNoviceBoys_SP_SmithJohn

GER_IntermediateNoviceGirls_FS_MustermannMax

- The music files must be sent as MP3 file format. Any other format is not acceptable. Please note: Files in MP3 format may have a significant difference in the music quality when reproduced. The Organizing Committee in this case is not responsible if the music quality would be insufficient.

- Each Competitor must have an own back-up drive (USB Stick) for each program in the format of MP3 file.

- The exact running time of the music (not skating time) must be communicated to the Organizing Committee when submitting the music and shall be certified by the Competitor/Coach/Team Leader at the time of registration.

- During the 1st Official Practice, the music will be played as indicated in the Practice Schedule and will verify the correctness of the submitted music. If there is an issue with the music, the Team Leader / Coach may be allowed to change the music by presenting an acceptable reproduction to the Organizing Committee's Music Team (USB Stick with file format of MP3 file).

8. CALCULATION OF THE RESULTS:

Results for all categories will be calculated using the new ISU Judging System. The results and any additional information for the event you can find on <https://cup.clubalbenadenkova.com>.

9. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS AND PRIZES:

The three best placed Skaters in each event will be announced and honored. Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists. All skaters will receive a diploma.

10. LIABILITY:

According to ISU regulations, the Event Organizer accepts no liability for bodily harm, personal injury and loss of property or damages incurred by any competitor(s) or official(s).

11. ACCREDITATION:

The accreditation will start on **Tuesday, November 03, 2026, at 14:00 h.** in the office of the Organizing Committee at the Winter Sports Palace.

Operating hours on competition days will be from **8:00h to 20:00h.**

12. DRAW:

The draw for the order of skating will be held electronically on **Saturday, October 31, 2026,** and will be available on the competition website.

Starting order for the free skating of category Advanced Novice and free dance of Ice dance categories will be in reverse order of the results in short program/pattern dances.

13. ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:

Rates for additional practice hours are as follows:

1-hour open practice together with other teams – € 25 per skater.

14. INFORMATION:

For additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

90 Kniaz Boris Street, Sofia 1000

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fax: +359 2 987 77 71

e-mail: albena-denkova@bsf.bg

15. ACCOMMODATION:

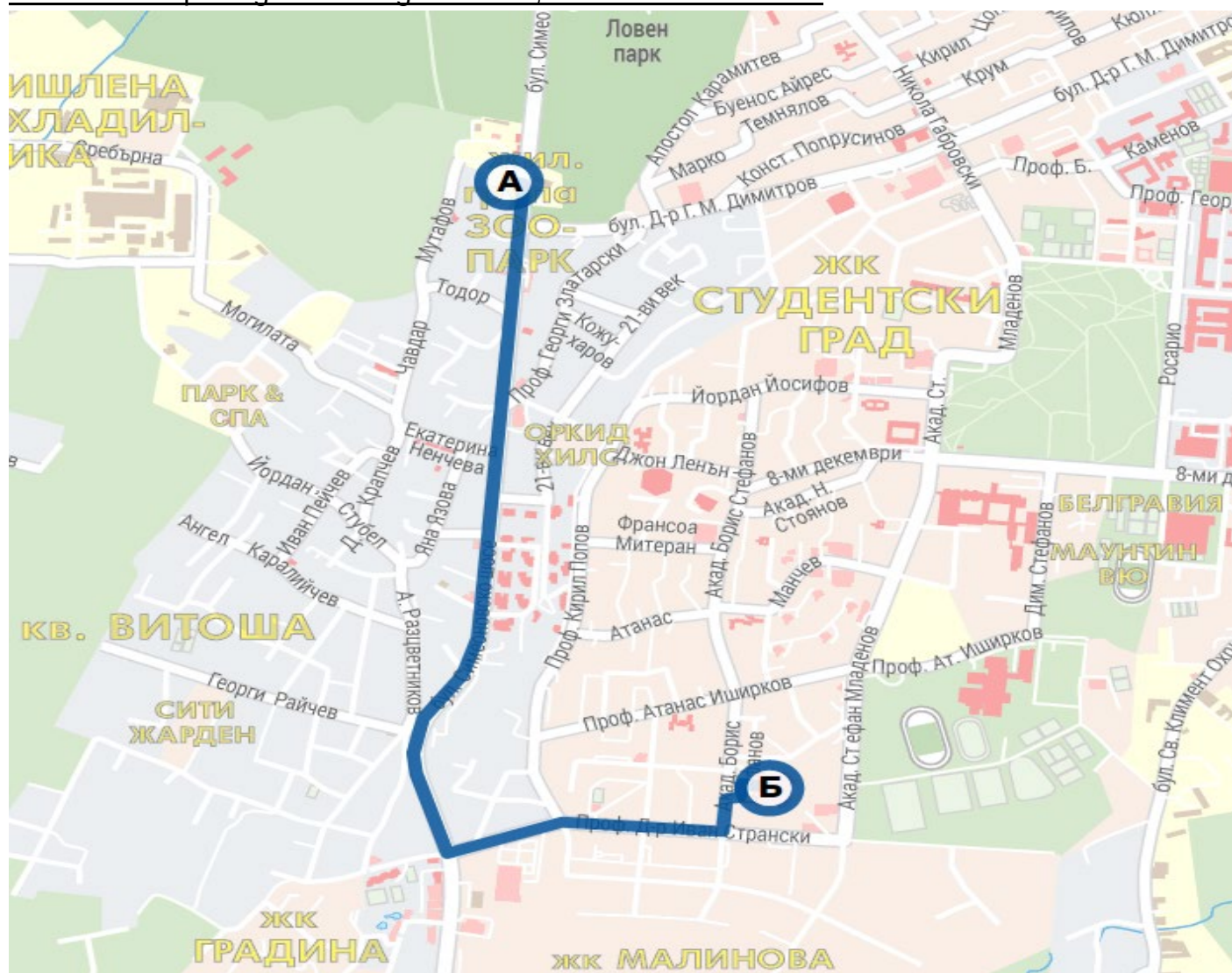
Official hotels of the event:

Hotel ZOO Sofia****, 6, Simeonovsko shose, blvd. 1700 Sofia, Bulgaria

Website - <https://hotelzoosofia.com>

Special Event prices: Single room – € 75, Double room – € 85, Apartment for 3 persons – € 120.

The rates are per night including breakfast, free Wi-Fi and fitness.



Point A - **Hotel ZOO Sofia**

Point B - **Winter Sports Palace**

Distance time by bus – around 20 minutes, Bus line No 102.

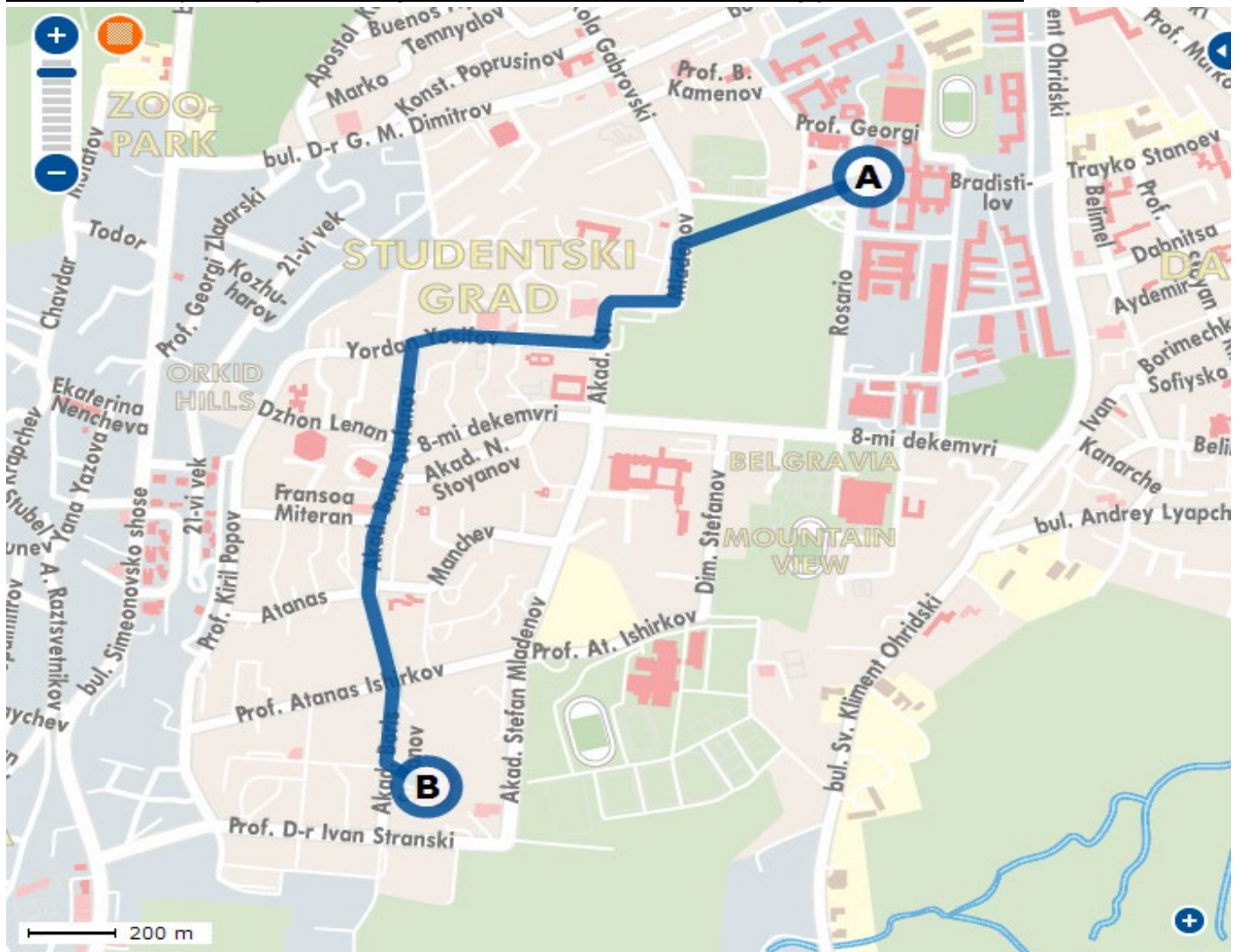
Distance time by car – around 6-7 minutes.

VITOSHA Park Hotel****, 1 Rosario Street, Sofia

Website - <https://www.vitoshaparkhotel.com>

Special Event prices: Single room – € 75, Double room – € 85, Apartment for 3 persons – € 130, Apartment for 4 persons – € 150.

The rates are per night including breakfast, free Wi-Fi, swimming pool and fitness.



Point A - **VITOSHA Park Hotel**

Point B - **Winter Sports Palace**

Distance time by bus – around 10 minutes, Bus line No 94, 5th bus stop from the hotel.

Distance time by walk – around 20 minutes.

The room reservations for all team members must be done through the Organizing Committee in order to be provided the special room rates.

17. TRANSPORTATION:

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from/to Sofia Airport and Sofia Central Railway station to/from the official hotel.

The transportation fee is € 25 per person/one way.

Provisional Schedule

Tuesday – 03.11.2026

Official practices

Wednesday – 04.11.2026

Official practices

Competitions:

Chicks – Free Skating

Cubs – Free Skating

Intermediate Novice – Free Skating

Advanced Novice – Short Program

Thursday – 05.11.2026

Official practices

Competitions:

Basic Novice – Free Skating

Advanced Novice – Free Skating

**THE OFFICIAL DETAILED AND FINAL SCHEDULE OF THE EVENT WILL BE PUBLISHED AFTER THE
REGISTRATION OF ALL ENTRIES**

***Respectfully Yours and Best Skating Regards,
Organizing Committee
Sofia, Bulgaria***