

ISU European  
**Short Track**  
Speed Skating  
**Championships**  
Gdańsk **2023**



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**ANNOUNCEMENT**



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The International Skating Union, Polish Speed Skating Association and the Organizing Committee have the honor and pleasure to invite you to the:

 **European Short Track Speed Skating Championships® 2023**

**January 13-15, 2023**

**to be held at the Hala Olivia,  
Gdańsk, Poland**

### **General Regulations**

The ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023 will be conducted in accordance with the 2022 ISU Regulations and relevant Communications. Participation is open to all ISU Members. Entries must be made only through the respective ISU Members (Rule 131).

### **Distances**

Individual            500, 1000, 1500 meters Women and Men  
Relay                 3000 meters Women, 5000 meters Men, 2000 meters Mixed Team

### **Program**

The below program is subject to change depending on the final entry of Skaters

Thursday, January 12, 2023	8:00	Official Training
	20:00	Opening Meeting
Friday, January 13, 2023	10:00	Qualifying Rounds 1500, 500, 1000 meters Women & Men Quarter-Finals Mixed Team Relay Quarter-Finals Relay Women and Men
Saturday, January 14, 2023	10:00	Repechage 1500, 500 meters Women & Men
	13:50	Opening Ceremony *
	14:02	Semi-Finals & Finals 1500 meters Women & Men Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Finals 500 meters Women & Men Semi-Finals Relay Women and Men Awards Ceremony
Sunday, January 15, 2023	10:00	Repechage 1000 meters Women & Men, Final B Relays Women and Men
	14:02	Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Finals 1000 meters Women & Men Semi-Finals & Finals Mixed Team Relay Final A 3000 meters Relay Women Final A 5000 meters Relay Men Awards Ceremony

*\* only if applicable*

## Track Conditions

The Hala Olivia has an artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface of 60 x 30 meters. Protective padding covers the boards in accordance with Rule 280, paragraph 5 and ISU Communication No. 2365 (or any further update). The standard track will be laid out 111.12 meters to the lap.

## Entries<sup>1</sup>

a) Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Short Track Speed Skating on [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org), section Short Track Speed Skating.

b) Preliminary Entries with the number of Competitors, substitutes, coaches & Team leader and requirements of accommodation must be submitted by **28 November 2022** (Rule 295, paragraph 4). In addition, please send an ID picture of each Team Member to the Organizing Committee in electronic format, not later than **January 3, 2023**, enabling the OC to prepare all accreditations in advance.

The number of other personnel travelling with the Team shall be communicated at the same time ISU Members failing to comply in time with these requirements will receive no support from the Organizing Member for:

- Hotel booking;
- Travel arrangements between airport and hotel;
- Travel arrangements between hotel and ice rink;
- Access to Closing Banquet (if held);
- Preferred times for additional training sessions.

All these costs and any additional costs incurred will be for the full account of the ISU Members concerned.

c) Final Entries must reach the Organizing Committee using the Online Entry System at the latest by 20:00 hrs (local time) on **January 3, 2023** (Rule 295, paragraph 4), and the following information must be communicated to the Organizing Committee:

- Names of the Competitors and a list of alternate names per category with their International Registration Numbers
- Names of the Competitors and their personal best time, recorded during the period of eligibility, for all individual distances they might participate in
- Names of the Competitors for each of the respective individual distances;
- Confirmation of participation in all the competitions of the Relay.

Only the Competitors listed on the Final Entry, respecting the maximum number of entries allowed, can attend and receive an accreditation for the Event.

Final Entries that do not comply with these requirements are considered Post Entries. See Rule 115.

d) 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 No. 1628 need to be strictly observed.

For more details please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communication Nos. 1628 and 1797 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, 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.

### **Individual Entries:**

In accordance with Rule 285, paragraph 2.a), each ISU Member has the right to enter at least two (2) Competitors in each category.

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 2517 "Entries for ISU Championships", the following ISU Members may enter more than two (2) Competitors in total in the respective category. Each ISU Member may enter the substitutes corresponding with the number of entries.

#### WomenMen

Hungary	3 competitors	Hungary	3 competitors
Italy	3 competitors	Italy	3 competitors
Netherlands	3 competitors	Netherlands	3 competitors
Poland	3 competitors	Poland	3 competitors
<i>Russia<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>3 competitors</i>	<i>Russia<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>3 competitors</i>

### **Relay Entries**

ISU Members entering a Relay Team can only enter a maximum of five (5) Competitors which will include all Competitors for both competitions: Individual and Relay.

The entry quotas for the Relay competitions at the ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023 will be determined in accordance with Rule 285, paragraph 2.b). Special attention must be paid to Rule 286, paragraph 4 regarding the fact that participation is known immediately upon completion of the last World Cup Competition held prior the Championships.

*<sup>1</sup> Reference is made to ISU Communication No. 2469, paragraph 2.a) according to which and until further notice, no individual belonging to the Russian Skating Union and Skating Union of Belarus shall be invited, entered and allowed to participate in International Competitions, ISU Championships and other ISU Events.*

### **Qualifying Times:**

Entered Skaters (including substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times over 500 meters, in accordance with ISU Communication No. 2517, paragraph 5.2, as follows:

Every ISU Member can enter 1 Skater per category that has achieved the following qualifying time:

Women 500 meters:	49,48
Men 500 meters:	46,62

If an ISU Member enters more than 1 Skater, the qualifying times required for all Skaters (including all Relay Skaters) entered by the ISU Member, are:

Women 500 meters:	47,81
Men 500 meters:	45,04

For a result to be a valid qualifying time, it must have been achieved in the period between July 1, 2021 and the final entry deadline specified in the paragraph "Entries" above.

## Points and Classification

In accordance with Rule 295.

## Titles and Medals

The winners of the Championships (according to Rule 133) will bear the title:

European Short Track Speed Skating Champion 500/1000/1500 meters for 2023

or

Women European Short Track Speed Skating Champion 500/1000/1500 meters for 2023

European Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions for 2023

or

Women European Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions for 2023

European Short Track Speed Skating Mixed Team Relay Champions for 2023

The European and Women European Champions will receive the ISU gold medal. The Skaters placed second and third will receive the ISU silver and bronze medals respectively.

The European Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions, Women European or Mixed Team Relay European Short Track Speed Skating Relay Champions will receive the ISU gold medal. The second and third placed Relay Teams will receive the ISU silver and bronze medals respectively.

Prize money will be awarded in accordance with ISU Communication No. 2516, or any further update of this Communication.

## Team Officials Accreditations

### For Teams entering 1 up to 5 Skaters

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
1	Team Leader	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Coach	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Doctor	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Physio	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Equipment Technician	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area

### Additional Team Officials

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
	Same as above	EUR (€) 250*	Blue – 2 – Dressing Rooms & Team Seats

## For Teams entering 6 up to 10 Skaters

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
1	Team Leader	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
2	Coaches	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Doctor	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
2	Physios	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
2	Equipment Technicians	Free	Blue – 1 – Field of Play & Full Access Athletes Area
1	Team Video Specialist	Free	Blue – 2 – Athletes Lounge, Dressing Rooms & Team Seats

## Additional Team Officials

#	Function	Price	Accreditation Access
	Same as above	EUR (€) 250*	Blue – 2 – Dressing Rooms & Team Seats

\* or equivalent in any other currency. One-time fee per ISU Event, per person.

*Note: If a maximum number of persons allowed at the same time in the venue is set by the Public Health Authorities of the hosting ISU Member, the ISU Event Manager in agreement with the OC Covid-19 Responsible Manager will issue the necessary guidelines.*

## Ice Training

All practice sessions will take place at the Competition venue. The Organizing Committee will arrange free ice training on Thursday, January 12, 2023 for all participating teams. Extra practices will be provided from January 9, 2023. Each training session (50 minutes) will be charged 200€. If two or more teams agree to share one training session, both (all) of them can share the cost. Payment for additional practice ice time must be paid in [EURO] to the Organizing Committee upon arrival. For practice ice time prior to the official practice, please inform the Organizing Committee using the attached form. Medical coverage will be provided for the official and additional practice sessions in accordance with Rule 140.

## 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 (ISU Communications Nos. 2344 & 2366 or later updates).

## Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Polish Speed Skating Association and The Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2023. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

## Face masks

No advertising marking is allowed on face masks. Face masks may display one (1) manufacturer trademark/identification of maximum 8cm<sup>2</sup>. In addition, ISU Member's name and/or abbreviation and/or national flag and/or Skater's name may be displayed on the face mask.

## Accommodation and Meals

The Organizing Committee will provide accommodation and meals starting with lunch on Thursday, January 12 until lunch on Monday, January 16 (for those departing in the afternoon) for all participating Skaters, maximum five (5) Women and five (5) Men, plus one Team leader from each participating ISU Member. All costs incurred prior Thursday, January 12 and after Monday, January 16 will be under the financial responsibility of each ISU Member and the amount due shall be settled on site, at the applicable rate, upon arrival, or in advance by bank transfer

Methods of payment: Bank transfer in advance or Cash in PLN, EUR, or Credit card; Visa, Mastercard, Diner's Club. +2% handling fee with Credit Card payment.

All arrangements for accommodations must be made through the Organizing Committee.

## Official Hotels

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservations for the participants at the following official hotel; Hotel Novotel Marina (Jelitkowska 20, 80-432 Gdańsk)

The cost of a room and meal at the official hotel is as follows:

Single room (per person, per night): 125€ full board including drinks

Double room (per person, per night): 100€ full board including drinks

*\*during competition days lunch will be served at the Venue, price is included in the pricelist above*

Cancellation policy:

30% of the reserved rooms and meals can be cancelled free of charge until **December 11, 2022**

10% of the reserved rooms and meals can be cancelled free of charge until **December 28, 2022**

All cancellations above the mentioned limit or late cancellations will not be reimbursed or to be settled.

Hotel requirements must be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but no later than **November 28, 2022**.

## Transportation

The Organizing Committee will provide free transportation for all participants between Gdańsk International Airport or Gdańsk railway and the official hotels, from Monday, January 9 to Monday, January 16, 2023. Participants arriving and departing from other airport(s) or train/bus stations will be responsible for the transport costs. Expenses for team officials, who do not accompany their team members, are to be borne by themselves

Gdańsk International Airport: 30€/ person/ one way

Gdańsk Railway Station: 15€/ person/ one way

The Organizing Committee will also provide free transportation for all participants between the official hotel and Hala Olivia during the competition days and the training periods, starting from January 9, 2023.

The date, airline, flight number, expected time of arrival and the date and time of departure should be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but no later than January 27, 2023. Please include the amount of special equipment (e.g. bicycles, massage tables, etc.) that needs to be transported.

## **Medical Insurance**

It is the sole responsibility of each ISU Member participating in an ISU Event (as defined in Rule 107), to provide medical insurance for their Skaters. Proof of such can be requested by the Organizing Committee.

## **Entry Visa Requirements**

Should you need assistance to obtain a Polish entry visa or require a specific letter of invitation, please contact the Organizing Committee.

## **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:

OC Press officer: Mr. Paweł Skraba

Email: [media@pzls.pl](mailto:media@pzls.pl)

## **Impacts of COVID-19 on the Event**

During the current Covid-19 pandemic the health and safety of all participants at the ISU Events including the athletes, team members, officials, volunteers, service providers, broadcasters, media, and spectators needs to be given additional attention.

Therefore, each participant is required to carefully read the ISU Guidelines for ISU Events During COVID-19 pandemic (General Guidelines and Short Track specific Guidelines).

- ISU Guidelines for ISU Events During COVID-19 Pandemic: <https://isu.org/inside-isu/covid-19>

ISU General Guidelines COVID describe the minimum sanitary measures that must be followed. There are currently no travel restrictions to and from Poland nor any national restrictions. Furthermore, please note that all information regarding the Covid-19 pandemic-related travel & access restrictions/arrangements will be available by contacting the OC.

## **The Organizing Committee**

All entries, hotel reservation and media accreditation requests, as well as other inquiries should be addressed as soon as possible to:

### **ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships Organizing Committee**

#### **Organizing Committee**

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## **Website**

All information concerning the competition will be available at the following Event website:

[Official website](#)

Live results will be available at the following website:

[www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org)

## **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, reduce paper needs and notify 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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