

ANNOUNCEMENT



OLYMPIC OVAL, CALGARY, CANADA

November 4 - 6, 2016



CANADA

On behalf Speed Skating Canada, the Calgary Short Track Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to a competition in the:

ISU World Cup Short Track Speed Skating 2016/17
which will be held at the Olympic Oval
Calgary, Canada
November 4 - 6, 2016

The competition will be held under the 2016 ISU General Regulations and Special Regulations/Technical Rules for Short Track Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2023.

General Regulations

The competitions will be conducted in accordance with the 2016 ISU Regulations and relevant Communications. Participation is open to all ISU Members. This competition is part of the ISU World Cup Short Track Speed Skating 2016/17.

Distances

Individual	2x 500m, 1000m, 1500m Ladies and Men
Relay	3000m Ladies, 5000m Men

Program

Detailed distance program can be found in ISU Communication No. 2023, paragraph 8.

Monday, October 31:	Ice Training Session - all day
Tuesday, November 1:	Ice Training Session - all day
Wednesday, November 2:	Ice Training Session - all day
Thursday, November 3:	Official Training Session - all day
Friday, November 4:	Qualifying Session - all day 500m, 1500m, 500m2,1000m and Relay
Saturday, November 5:	Repechage – 08:00, warm up* World Cup – 14:02 500m, 1500m and Semi-Finals Relay Award ceremony; on ice
Sunday, November 6:	Repechage – 08:00, warm up* World Cup – 14:02 500m-2, 1000m and Finals Relay Award ceremony; on ice

* Starting times to be decided upon receipt of the number of final entries.

Track Conditions

The Olympic Oval has an artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface of 60m x 30m. Protective padding without boards in accordance with Rule 280, paragraph 5 and ISU Communication No. 1726. The standard track will be laid out 111.12m to the lap.

Entries

a) Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for World Cup Short Track Speed Skating on www.isu.org, section Short Track Speed Skating

b) Entries with the number of Competitors, substitutes, coaches, team leader & team staff must be submitted by SEPTEMBER 23, 2016.

ISU Members failing to comply in time with these requirements will receive no support from the Organizing Member for:

- Travel arrangements between airport and hotel;
- 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.

In addition, any additional accreditations requested after this deadline will incur a charge of \$20 CAD to be borne by the ISU Member.

c) Final Entries must reach the Organizing Committee by letter, fax or electronic mail not later than OCTOBER 30, 2016 (see ISU Communication No. 2023, paragraph 4), and the following information must be communicated to the Organizing Committee:

- Names of the Competitors and substitutes per category with their International Registration Numbers;
- Names of the Competitors for each of the respective individual distances;
- Confirmation of participation in the Relay.

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

d) Competitors must be present in Calgary at the latest at 18:00 hours on Thursday, November 3, 2016 or the Organizing Committee must receive documented proof that the competitors are in transit and will arrive in due time for the World Cup Competition. Competitors who do not comply with these requirements will be excluded.

e) Please note that for all persons entered by the 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 No. 1628 or any update of this Communication.

Citizenship/Residence Requirements and Clearance Procedure

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

World Cup points

The points scoring at the World Cup Competition is made in accordance with ISU Communication No. 2023, paragraph 12.

Anti-Doping

Anti-Doping tests will be carried out according to the ISU Anti-Doping Code, as given in the applicable ISU Communications (ISU Communication Nos. 1871, 1872, 1922 & 1970 or later updates).

Ice Training

The Organizing Committee will arrange free ice training on Thursday, November 3, 2016 for all participating teams.

Extra practices will be provided from Monday, October 31, 2016. Each training session (50 minutes) will be charged \$175 CAD. If two or more teams agree to share one training session, both (all) of them can share the cost. In addition, a second daily training session may be available on the Oval's non-competition boarded ice at the cost of \$175 CAD.

Training times prior to Monday, October 31, 2016 could be available, upon request and availability, at the price of \$229 CAD. To book training prior to October 31, 2016 please contact ovalguestservices@ucalgary.ca.

Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Speed Skating Canada 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 World Cup Short Track Speed Skating competition. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

Accommodation

All participants must make their reservation themselves and will bear their own expenses for accommodation.

The cost of a room (per night) and meal at the official hotel is as follows:

Room (double queen or single king): \$145 CAD plus applicable local taxes (Approx: \$162 CAD)

Room (king suite with pull out): \$155 CAD plus applicable local taxes (Approx: \$174 CAD).

Meals: Packages for 2 meals cost \$50 CAD (plus taxes and service) per day / per person (Approx. \$61 CAD) – breakfast included in room rates.

Lunches during the training week will be at the hotel based on the lunch schedule to be set. There is an option for customized lunches to accommodate training times and/or tours that the teams may take. To do so, the hotel requires three (3) days advance notice so that they can best accommodate your team.

Lunches during the competition will be catered by the hotel in the Athlete's Lounge at the competition facility.

Official Hotel

Hotel requirements must be communicated with them as soon as possible, but **no later** than October 14, 2016.

Payment: Cash; in Canadian Dollars, bank transfer or Credit card; Visa, MasterCard, American Express.

The team leader must present a major credit card upon arrival at the hotel.

BEST WESTERN Village Park Inn

1804 Crowchild Trail NW, Calgary, Alberta T2M 3Y7 (www.villageparkinn.com)

Ms Sabrina Wong: salesmgr@villageparkinn.com

Bank Transfer Information (for Teams)

Bank Name: Servus Credit Union Ltd.

Bank Address: #130, 2929 Sunridge Way NE, Calgary, Alberta T1Y 7K7

Swift Code: CUCXCATTCAL Account / IBAN number: 56767023

Transportation

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation between Calgary Airport and the official hotels, from Sunday, October 30, 2016 to Monday, November 7, 2016 for all team members. Expenses for team officials, who do not accompany their team members, are to be borne by themselves.

The Organizing Committee will also provide transportation between the official hotel and Olympic Oval during the competition days and the training periods, starting from Monday, October 31, 2016.

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 October 14, 2016.

Please include the amount of special equipment (e.g. bicycles, massage tables, etc.) that needs to be transported.

The Organizing Committee

All entries, flight information, hotel information (team books rooms - committee needs hotel name) and media accreditation requests, as well as other inquiries should be addressed as soon as possible to:

ISU WORLD CUP #1 – CALGARY 2016

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Website

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

<http://www.speedskating.ca/calgary2016>

Live results will be available at the following website: <http://shorttrack.sportresult.com/> or www.isu.org