



Skate Canada
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Mississauga, ON 2022

FIRST INFORMATION



2022 Skate Canada International will be subject to the local entry, travel and sanitary measures as well as subject to compliance with the ISU Guidelines for ISU Events during the Covid-19 pandemic (<https://www.isu.org/inside-isu/covid-19>) in place before and during the event.

To enter Canada you must be fully vaccinated and to be qualified as a fully vaccinated traveler, an individual must have received, at least 15 calendar days in advance of the day they travel to Canada:

- at least 2 doses of a vaccine accepted by the Government of Canada for the purpose of travel;
- or a mix of 2 accepted vaccines;
- or at least 1 dose of the Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Vaccines accepted by the Government of Canada for the purpose of travel to and within Canada include:

- AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD (ChAdOx1-S, Vaxzevria, AZD1222)
- Bharat Biotech (Covaxin, BBV152 A, B, C)
- Janssen/Johnson & Johnson
- Moderna (mRNA-1273)
- Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty, tozinameran, BNT162b2)
- Sinopharm BIBP (BBIBP-CorV)
- Sinovac (CoronaVac, PiCoVacc)

All fully vaccinated travellers entering Canada by land, air or water **must use ArriveCAN to upload proof of vaccination** within 72 hours before your arrival to Canada. The link below will provide more information on the ArriveCAN process.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/border-services-agency/services/arrivecan.html>

For more information regarding travel to Canada, please refer to the Government of Canada website: <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid>

This information is subject to change, the ISU and OC will inform ISU Members in case of any developments or related decisions.

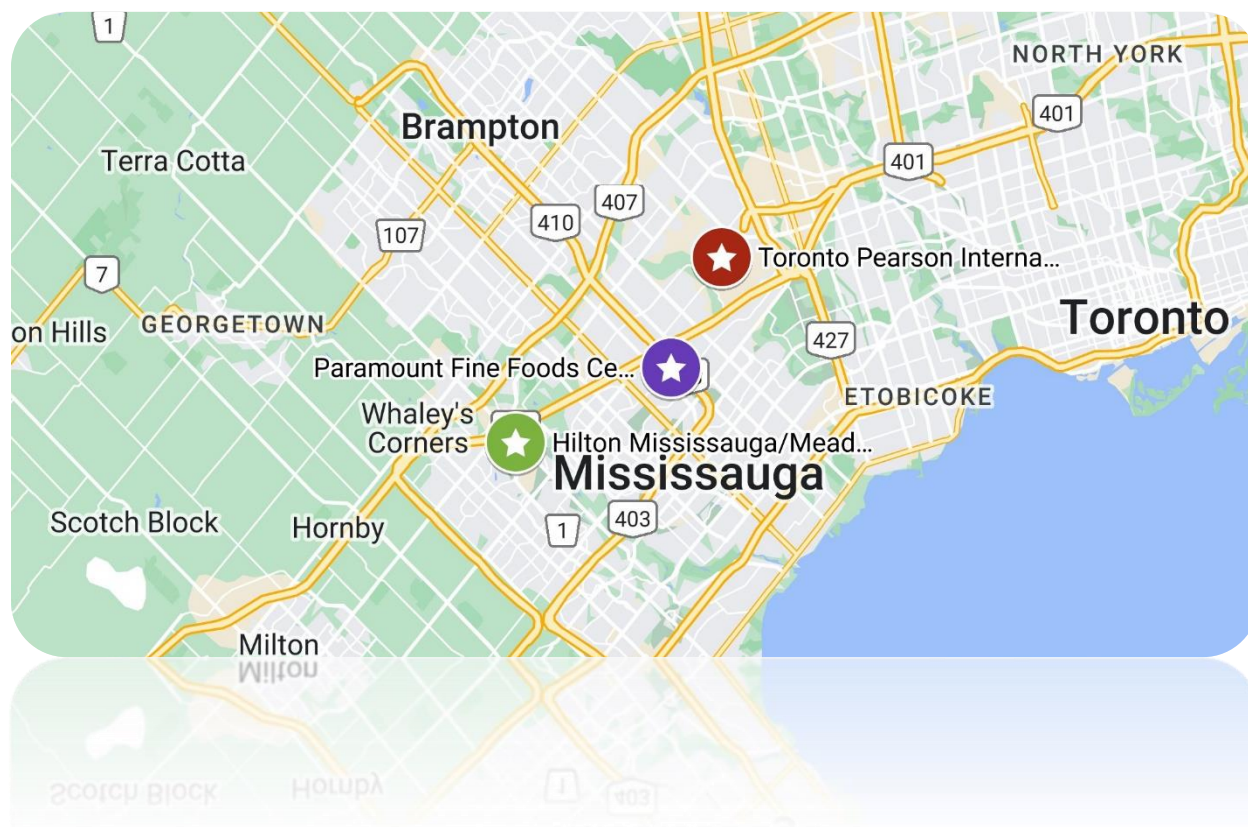
Mississauga

Location

Mississauga, Ontario, Canada is proud to be the host of the 2022 Skate Canada International.

Climate

Mississauga's climate is similar to that of Toronto and is considered to be moderate. Summers can bring periods of high temperatures accompanied with high humidity. While the average daily high temperature in July and August is 27 °C, temperatures can rise above 32 °C. Winters can be cold with temperatures that are frequently below freezing. Occasionally, there can be brief periods of warmer weather during the winter season. The average daily high temperature in October is 14 °C.



Venue Information

Paramount Fine Foods Centre

5500 Rose Cherry Pl,
Mississauga, ON L4Z 4B6
Telephone: 905.502.9100

Rink Dimensions: 61m x 26m

<https://paramountfinefoodscentre.com/>

*See Appendix 1 for a Venue Map



Venue

Opened in October 1998, the Paramount Fine Foods Centre (formerly known as the Hershey Centre) has become the premier sports and entertainment facility in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). To date the facility has hosted over 3000 event days and welcomed more than 4 million guests. Over its twenty years of operation, the facility and its experienced staff have staged numerous high profile events including regional, provincial, national and world hockey and figure skating championships. The facility has welcomed artists such as Green Day, Russell Peters, Chris Brown, The Tragically Hip, B.B. King, the White Stripes and Hedley.

The Paramount Fine Foods Centre is proud to be home to the Mississauga Steelheads of the Ontario Hockey League and the Raptors 905 basketball team, which is part of the NBA G League (the official minor league of the NBA).

The Paramount Fine Foods Centre is also located approximately 30 minutes from the heart of downtown Toronto.

Extra Practice Ice

Please contact the Organizing Committee at 2022sci@skatecanada.ca for unofficial practice ice information.

Skating Lounge

A Skating Lounge will be available at the Paramount Fine Foods Centre.

Water

A reminder, water bottles must not be branded. In our effort to be sustainable, water jugs will be available in the back of house area to fill up your own non-branded water bottles. Non-branded water bottles will be available by request at the Skating Lounge, as well as the Kiss and Cry.

Costume Repair, Skate Sharpening and Emergency Repair

All arrangements for costume repair, skate sharpening, and emergency repair services will be available throughout the competition at the Paramount Fine Foods Centre – *Registration Desk*.

Lost and Found

Lost and found will be collected and held at the Paramount Fine Foods Centre, contact the OC.

Travel, Transportation & Accommodations

The official hotel for Skate Canada International is:

Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale

6750 Mississauga Rd,

Mississauga, ON L5N 2L3

Telephone: +1 905-821-1981

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/yyzmohh-hilton-mississauga-meadowvale/>

- ◆ **Free Wireless Standard Internet**
- ◆ **Parking – \$14/day**
- ◆ **Business Services**
 - ◆ Copying, Fax, Post/Parcel
- ◆ **Health and Fitness**
 - ◆ Fitness Centre
 - ◆ Pool
 - ◆ Jacuzzi
- ◆ **Miscellaneous Services**
 - ◆ Restaurant and Café
 - ◆ Fine Spirits
- ◆ **Distance from Airport to Hotel:** Approximately 20 kilometres/20 minutes (traffic dependent)
- ◆ **Distance from Hotel to Venue:** Approximately 10 kilometres/15 minutes (traffic dependent)

General Accommodation Information

Reservations

All reservations must be made through the Organizing Committee (OC) via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS). Individual reservations by Team Members at the Official Hotel will not be accepted. If rooms are cancelled after **Friday, September 30, 2022**, even if it is for rooms that the OC is required to pay for, any cancellation fees the OC incurs will be invoiced to the Member Federation.

OC Accommodations Contact:

2022sci@skatecanada.ca

Rates

Standard - Single - \$185.00 + tax

Standard – Double - \$185.00 + tax

All rates are in CAD and are subject to 4.52% DMF and 13% HST.

The total for one night taxes included would be \$218.50 CAD.

Room Payment

The Organizing Committee will pay costs for accommodation for Skaters, Officials, Judges and ISU Event Officials in accordance with the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Announcement 2022-23, item 7.5.

Federations will be sent confirmations for the room costs not covered by the Organizing Committee. Payments must be made directly to the hotel upon check-in. If the Federations prefer to pay the Organizing Committee in advance, they must request an official invoice.

Payment to the Organizing Committee must be completed at the latest by **Friday, October 21, 2022.**

Extra Services, Incidentals and Damages

Each person will require a valid personal credit card or cash deposit at time of check-in to the hotel to cover incidentals as well as a security deposit. Payment for incidental services is the guest's responsibility and should be settled directly with the hotel at check-out.

Contact Person and Room Changes

For questions or problems relating to rooms, relocations, incidental charges, etc., the Team Leader of each team will be the contact person. Any room relocations or changes to the rooming list must be made through the Organizing Committee as no room changes will be accepted by the hotel from guests directly.

Dining Room

Skaters, Judges and other ISU Event Officials entitled to receive the meal program will receive vouchers for the period outlined in the official announcement, beginning with dinner on **Wednesday, October 26, 2022**, until breakfast on **Monday, October 31, 2022**. Please refer to the meal hours below.

Locations:

Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale – Hazel McCallion Ballroom

Respective vouchers for Skaters, Judges and other ISU Event Officials will be distributed at *Registration* and can be used only on the specified date.

All accredited people, not being covered in the official meal program, may purchase meal tickets **on-site** only from the Organizing Committee at Registration or the Dining Room.

The meal vouchers and drink tickets are **not transferable** and will be accepted only in combination with an accreditation.

Meal Service	Dining Room Hours	Meal Prices (taxes included)
Breakfast	06:00 – 10:00	\$35.00 CAD
Lunch	11:30 – 14:30	\$50.00 CAD
Dinner	18:00 – 22:00	\$65.00 CAD
All Meals (1 day)		\$150.00 CAD

Travel Information

The Organizing Committee (OC) will provide transportation from the Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ) to the Official Hotel starting on **Wednesday, October 26, 2022**.

COVID-19 Travel Restrictions

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Airport Transportation

The OC will provide transportation from the Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ) to the Official Hotel. Team Members (Skaters, Team Leaders, Team Officials), Event Officials, and ISU Office Holders, will be met by the OC at their arriving terminal and directed to their transportation. Please provide the OC with the appropriate travel details in ORS. Once you have claimed your baggage, please look for a Skate Canada Representative. If you cannot find the Skate Canada Representative, please call us at the Transportation Desk at +1.613.914.5348.

Should any guest's arrival be delayed for any reason, they are asked to inform the OC as soon as possible with the expected arrival time in Canada so that transportation arrangements can be modified. Do so by contacting the **Transportation Desk at +1.613.914.5348**. Please inform the OC of any changes to your travel plans or for any inquiries about transportation at any time, please email: 2022sci@skatecanada.ca.

Team Members, coaches or other Federation Officials that are not entitled to receive Airport Transportation covered by the OC will be charged \$100 CAD total return trip for airport transportation (\$50 CAD one-way).

There are several airport transportation options available for anyone who has not informed the OC of their arrival information or those arriving prior to the date indicated for the start of the airport shuttle service. Visit the Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ) for more information about [Ground Transportation](#). If a guest chooses one of these methods of transportation to the hotel, the OC is not responsible for the costs.

Shuttle Bus Service

A shuttle bus service will run between the Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale and the Paramount Fine Foods Centre. The shuttle bus service will commence on **Thursday October 27, 2022** and run until **Sunday October 30, 2022**. A detailed schedule will be available on the ISU Event App.

Passports and ID

The Government of Canada requires that all Foreign Nationals carry a valid passport as the only universally-accepted travel and identification document for the purposes of international travel. People who live in countries where a visa is needed to enter Canada must obtain one from a Canadian embassy abroad before coming to Canada.

Canada does not have a [visa office](#) in every country so it is important that delegates visit the website of the Canadian visa office responsible for processing their visa application. Information is available on the website on how to submit a visa application and the documentation required.

[Processing times for visa applications](#) vary depending on the visa office and the time of the year. Participants are encouraged to apply approximately 12-weeks in advance of their departure date to ensure they receive the visa in time.

- Starting July 31, 2018, the biometric requirement becomes mandatory for nationals of Europe, Middle East and Africa, and
- Starting December 31, 2018, the biometric requirement becomes mandatory for nationals of Asia, Asia Pacific and the Americas.

For additional information on whether you require a biometric, please refer to our [fast facts about Biometrics](#).

Foreign Nationals must have valid travel documents to enter Canada. Document requirements vary depending on which country you are travelling from. For specific information on travel documents and to find out if you require a visa to enter Canada as a visitor, please refer to <http://www.cbsa.gc.ca/> and <http://www.cic.gc.ca/>.

Important Notice: Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) is mandatory for visa-exempt Foreign Nationals travelling to Canada by air (not by land or sea). To avoid any issues at the airport, you should get your eTA as soon as you begin planning your trip to Canada. To find out if you need an eTA or to apply online, visit this [website](#).

Registration and Accreditation

All Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical, Member Press Officer, Judges, Coaches, ISU Event Officials, ISU Guests must register at the **Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale – South Studio** upon arrival on Wednesday October 26, 2022. Registration will be available beginning at 14:00.

Registration will move to **Paramount Fine Foods Centre – Team Entrance**, beginning **Thursday, October 27, 2022**. The exact operating hours will be communicated on-site.

All competitors will be required to present their passport (and clearance certificate if applicable) prior to receiving accreditation. Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport.

Forgotten, lost or stolen accreditation cards must be reported and can only be replaced for a cash fee of \$100 CAD. The replacement is upon approval of the ISU and the OC.

Chaperones

Chaperones will not be accredited and must purchase an event ticket at face value to enter Paramount Fine Foods Centre to watch the competition. Chaperones **will not** have access to the Event Shuttle Bus for COVID purposes.

Event Ticket Information

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster at the following link: [2022 Skate Canada International Tickets](#)

Mix Zone

There will be a Mix Zone located on the event level in the hallway behind the Kiss and Cry. This area will be available for post-performance athlete interviews.

Press Conferences

Press conferences will take place in Paramount Fine Foods Centre – Press Conference Room in the Media Centre. Following the conclusion of the short program/rhythm dance for all Men, Women, Pairs, and Ice Dance there will be a brief press conference for the skaters who place first, second, and third. Following the free skating/dance for Pairs and Ice Dance the gold, silver and bronze medallists will participate in a post-event press conference. The free skating press conferences for Men and Women will be held following their victory ceremonies.

Other Useful Information

Language

English is the predominant language of Toronto; however, Cantonese, Mandarin, Tagalog, and Punjabi are also commonly spoken. English and French are the official languages in Canada, and most government services are available in these languages.

Financial Services and Banking Hours

Regular banking hours are Monday to Friday from 9:30 until 16:00 with extended hours including weekends at many locations. Some banks are open on Saturdays for a brief amount of time, but most are also closed on Sundays and holidays.

Major credit cards are honoured in most business establishments. Automated teller machines (ATMs) marked with a Plus or Interac symbol will accept automated banking cards from outside Canada. Banks charge a fee of approximately \$2 for international transactions. The visitors' bank sets the exchange rate.

For currency conversions refer to: <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/rates/exchange/daily-converter/>

Taxes

The Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) is a thirteen percent (13%) tax that is applied to most supplies of goods and services in Ontario. Most prices posted in stores do not include taxes. Visitors to Canada may be eligible for tax rebates. Rebate forms are available at the airport or Tourism Office. There is no rebate on consumable items such as meals, liquor, tobacco, transportation costs and gasoline.

Currency

The currency is the Canadian dollar (CAD). For denominations under five dollars, Canadians use coins, including what are affectionately known as the "Loonie" (one-dollar coin) and "Toonie" (two-dollar coin). Daily currency exchange rates appear in newspapers, are posted online, and are posted at banks and currency exchange businesses.

Mississauga Public Transit (MiWay)

Plan your trip with the user-friendly Google Maps Trip Planner.

Tipping

While tipping is not mandatory in Canada, it is customary in many circumstances for good service, especially in sit-down restaurants, which offer table service. If you're happy with the service you receive, a 15-20% tip on the pre-tax bill is a standard expression of appreciation. It is also customary to tip bellhops, luggage handlers and taxi drivers at your discretion.

Electricity

Electricity sockets are 120V plug type A. Visitors with appliances of different voltages should bring adapters.

Tobacco and Alcohol

The legal drinking age in Ontario is 19; a driver's license is considered a valid form of identification. You must be at least 19 years of age to purchase cigarettes. Smoking is banned in all public spaces and workspaces in Ontario, including restaurants, bars and private clubs. The ban extends to outdoor public areas such as playgrounds, sport fields and spectator areas.

Time Zone

Eastern Standard Time (EST) is 5 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

Climate

<https://www.theweathernetwork.com/ca/weather/ontario/mississauga>

Emergency Services

The emergency number for all health, safety, police and crime emergencies is 9-1-1.

Shopping Centres

Square One Shopping Centre - <https://shopsquareone.com/>

Yorkdale Shopping Centre - <https://yorkdale.com/>

Summary of Deadlines

Form		Deadline Date
ORS	Entry by Name for Competitors	September 30, 2022
ORS	Entry by Name for Judges	September 30, 2022
ORS	Entry by Name for Delegation Members	September 30, 2022
ORS	Hotel Reservation	September 30, 2022
ORS	Travel Details	September 30, 2022
ORS	Visa Letter Request	ASAP