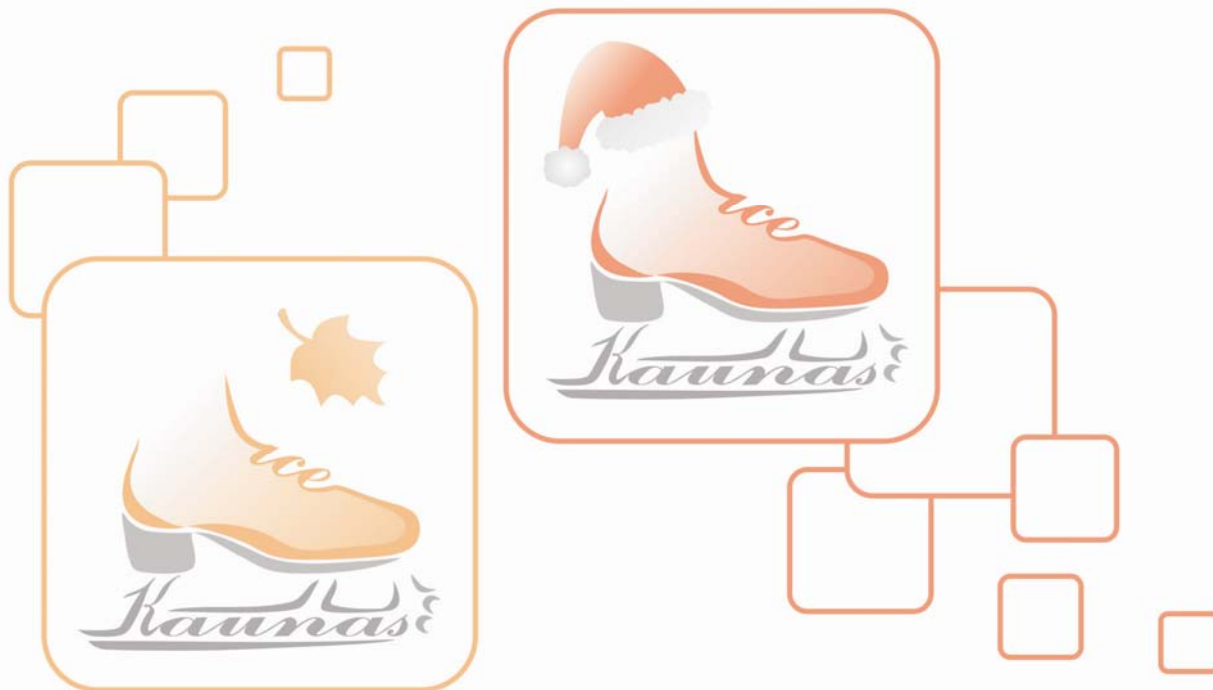




International Figure Skating Competition
for Young Single Skaters

Kaunas Ice 2011/12

Announcement / Invitation

Organized by Kaunas Winter Sports School "**Baltu ainiai**"
Ausros 42 C, Kaunas, Lithuania



GENERAL

The Kaunas Ice 2011/12 Competition of Figure Skating consists of four international events. All four events will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2010, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single Skating and the relevant ISU Communications.

All Members of ISU and any Clubs are invited to take part in the competition.

For the 2011/12 season, the four events of the Kaunas Ice are:



**Kaunas Ice
Autumn Cup 2011**

October 7-9, 2011



**Kaunas Ice
Christmas Cup 2011**

December 16-18, 2011



**Kaunas Ice
Winter Cup 2012**

February 17-19, 2012



**Kaunas Ice
Spring Cup 2012**

April 27-29, 2012

All events will be held in Kaunas Ice Rink, Ausros 42 C, Kaunas, Lithuania.



Kaunas Ice Winter Cup 2012

1. CATEGORIES

In Kaunas Ice Autumn Cup 2011/2012 participants will be competing in these categories according to the judging systems indicated below:

Chicks A girls and boys	ISU judging system
Chicks B girls and boys	6.0 judging system
Cubs A girls and boys	ISU judging system
Cubs B girls and boys	6.0 judging system
Springs A girls and boys	ISU judging system
Springs B girls and boys	6.0 judging system
Basic Novice A girls and boys	ISU judging system
Basic Novice B girls and boys	ISU judging system
Advanced Novice girls and boys	ISU judging system
Junior ladies and men	ISU judging system
Senior ladies and men	ISU judging system

2. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

February 17 Friday	Chicks B, Cubs B, Springs B girls and boys free skating (FS) <i>Medal ceremony on ice</i>
February 18 Saturday	Chicks A, Cubs A, Springs A girls and boys free skating (FS) <i>Medal ceremony on ice</i> Advanced Novice girls and boys short program (SP) Junior, Senior ladies and men short program (SP)
February 19 Sunday	Basic Novice A, Basic Novice B girls and boys free skating (FS) Advanced Novice girls and boys free skating (FS) Junior, Senior ladies and men free skating (FS) <i>Medal ceremony on ice</i>

This time table is preliminary and may change depending on the number of entries for each category.

3. TECHNICAL DETAILS AND REQUIREMENTS

Chicks B (born 2004/2005)

2:00 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for girls and boys

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements:
 - single Axel and double jumps are not allowed;
 - at least two (2) different single solo jumps;
 - at least one (1) and maximum two (2) jump combinations or jump sequences;
 - only one (1) jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps.
 2. At least one (1) and maximum two (2) spins of different abbreviation, each of them must be minimum of three (3) revolutions.
 3. Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).
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Cubs B (born 2002/2003)

2:30 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for boys

2:00 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for girls

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements:
 - double jumps are not allowed;
 - at least free (3) different solo jumps, only one of which may be single Axel;
 - at least one (1) and maximum two (2) jump combinations or jump sequences;
 - only one (1) jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps.
 2. Two (2) spins of different abbreviation, each of them must be minimum of three (3) revolutions.
 3. Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).
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Springs B (born 2000/2001)

2:30 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for girls

3:00 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for boys

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements for girls and six (6) for boys:
 - maximum two (2) double jumps;
 - at least one (1) and maximum two (2) jump combinations or jump sequences;
 - only one (1) jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps.
2. Three (3) spins of different abbreviation, each of them must be minimum of four (4) revolutions.
3. Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Chicks A (born 2004/2005)

2:00 min ± 10 sec. for girls and boys

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements:
 - one (1) jump must be an Axel-type jump;
 - at least one (1) and maximum two (2) jump combinations or sequences;
 - only one (1) jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps.
2. At least one (1) and maximum two (2) spins of a different abbreviation, each of them must be minimum of three (3) revolutions.
3. Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Levels explanations:

For Chicks A, in all elements which 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 Program Components are only judged in:

- **Skating Skills**
- **Performance/Execution**

The factor for the Program Components is: **1.6**

Cubs A (born 2002/2003)

2:30 min ± 10 sec. for girls and boys

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements:
 - one (1) jump must be an Axel-type jump;
 - at least one (1) and maximum two (2) jump combinations or sequences;
 - only one (1) jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps.
2. At least two (2) but not more than three (3) spins of a different abbreviation, including:
 - one (1) spin combination with one change of foot and at least one change of position (min. 4+4 revolutions);
 - other spins of free choice with minimum of 4 revolutions.
3. Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Levels explanations:

For Cubs A, in all elements which 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 Program Components are only judged in:

- **Skating Skills**
- **Performance/Execution**
- **Interpretation**

The factor for the Program Components is: **1.6**

Springs A (born 2000/2001)

2:30 min ± 10 sec. for girls

3:00 min ± 10 sec. for boys

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements for girls and six (6) jump elements for boys:
 - one (1) must be an Axel-type jump;
 - at least one (1) and no more than two (2) jump combinations or sequences;
 - one (1) jump combination or sequence must include a double jump;
 - only one (1) jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps.
2. Three (3) spins of a different abbreviation, including:
 - one (1) flying spin (min. 5 revolutions);
 - one (1) spin combination with one change of foot and at least one change of position (min. 5+5 revolutions);
 - one (1) spin of free choice with minimum of 5 revolutions.
3. Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Levels explanations:

For Springs A, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 4** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The Program Components are only judged in:

- **Skating Skills**
- **Performance/Execution**
- **Interpretation**

The factor for the Program Components is: **1.6**

NB! Additional information concerning some changes in ISU Judging System (in relation to very young age categories):

For **Chicks A, Cubs A:**

1. Duration of performance – **0,5 points** deduction for every 5 seconds in excess.
2. Illegal element – deduction **0,5 points**.
3. Fall – deduction **0,5 points**.

For **Springs A:**

1. Duration of performance – **1 point** deduction for every 5 seconds in excess.
2. Illegal element – deduction **1 point**.
3. Fall – deduction **1 point**.

Novice age requirements

Rule 108, paragraph 2. new d) and paragraph 3. new c) : in International Competitions, a Novice is a Skater who has met the following requirements before July 1st preceding the event (the specific date: before July 1st, applies to all indicated dates):

- has reached at least the age of ten (10)
- has not reached the age of fifteen (15)

For Basic Novice A: a) has reached at least the age of ten (10);
b) has not reached the age of thirteen (13) for Girls and Boys in singles competitions.

For Basic Novice B: a) has reached at least the age of thirteen (13);
b) has not reached the age of fifteen (15) for Girls and Boys in singles competitions.

Basic Novice A (younger subgroup)

FS 2:30 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for girls and boys

A well balanced Free Skating program for Singles A must contain:

- a) Maximum of four (4) jump elements for Girls and Boys one of which must be an Axel-type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combinations can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Triple jumps are not permitted.
- b) Maximum of two (2) spins of a different abbreviation, one (1) of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (min. of six (6) revolutions in total) and one (1) spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (min. of six (6) revolutions in total).
- c) There must be a maximum:
 - i) for Girls one (1) step sequence or one (1) spiral sequence consisting of max. two (2) spiral positions. A sequence (step or spiral) will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
 - ii) for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Levels explanations:

For Basic Novice A Singles, in all elements which 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 Program Components are only judged in: • Skating Skills
 • Performance/Execution

The Factor of the Program Components is: **2.5**

Basic Novice B (older subgroup)

FS 3:00 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for girls and boys

A well balanced Free Skating program for Singles B boys and girls must contain:

- a) Maximum of 5 jump elements for Girls and 6 jump elements for Boys one of which must be an Axel-type jump.
There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences.
A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps.
A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted.
Only two (2) jumps with two and a half (2 1/2) or more revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different abbreviation, one (1) of which must be a spin combination (minimum of ten (10) revolutions in total) and one (1) a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total).
- c) There must be a maximum:
 - i) for Girls one (1) step sequence or one (1) spiral sequence consisting of max. two (2) spiral positions. The sequence (step or spiral) will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
 - ii) for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Levels explanations:

For Basic Novice B Singles, in all elements which 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 Program Components are only judged in:

- **Skating Skills**
- **Performance/Execution**
- **Interpretation**

The Factor of the Program Components is:

1.7 for girls

2.0 for boys

Advanced Novice

SP 2:30 min max. for girls

The **Short Program for Girls'** Singles shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Axel Paulsen or double Axel Paulsen
 - b) Double or triple jump immediately proceeded by connecting steps, may not repeat jump in a)
 - c) One jump combination consisting of two double jumps or one double and one triple jump, both jumps may not repeat jump in a) or b)
 - d) Layback or sideways leaning spin (minimum of six (6) revolutions)
 - e) Spin combination with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (minimum of five (5) revolutions on each foot)
 - f) One step sequence with full utilization of the ice surface (straight line / circular /serpentine)
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Advanced Novice

SP 2:30 min max. for boys

The **Short Program for Boys'** Singles shall consist of the following elements:

- a) Axel Paulsen or double Axel Paulsen
- b) Double or triple jump immediately proceeded by connecting steps, may not repeat jump in a)
- c) One jump combination consisting of two double jumps or one double and one triple jump, both jumps may not repeat jump in a) or b)
- d) Camel or sit spin (minimum of six (6) revolutions) with change of foot and no flying entrance
- e) Spin combination with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (minimum of five (5) revolutions on each foot)
- f) One step sequences with full utilization of the ice surface (straight line, serpentine/circular)

Advanced Novice

FS 3:00 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for girls

FS 3:30 min $\pm$ 10 sec. for boys

A well balanced Free Skating program for Singles must contain:

- a) Maximum six (6) jump elements for Girls and seven (7) jump elements for Boys, one (1) of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Only two (2) jumps with two and a half (2 1/2) revolutions or more can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different abbreviation, one (1) of which must be a spin combination (minimum of ten (10) revolutions) and one (1) a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance (minimum of six (6) revolutions).
- c) There must be a maximum of one (1) step sequence.

Levels explanations:

For Advanced Novice Singles, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 3** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The Program Components are only judged in:

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance/Execution
- Interpretation

The Factor of the Program Components is:

1.0 in Short Program
1.5 for girls in Free Skating
1.7 for boys in Free Skating

Juniors

Short Program and Free Skating

According to ISU regulations and active communication 511,512.

Seniors

Short Program and Free Skating

According to ISU regulations and active communication 511,512.

4. ENTRIES OF JUDGES AND EXPENSES

The panel of Judges will consist of 3 Judges.

Each participating ISU Members and teams may nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge for the event in which the Member has Competitor(s) entered. The confirmation of the list of judges will be announced until **February 3rd, 2012.**

We will cover judge's hotel and food expenses.

5. ENTRIES OF PARTICIPANTS AND PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

Entries must be forwarded to Organizing Committee using the official entry forms latest by **February 3rd, 2012.**

With the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must return to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet must be filled in precisely by each Skater/team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting Officials.

The official forms must be sent to: competitionkaunas@gmail.com

6. COMPETITION SCHEDULE AND PROTOCOL

A detailed time schedule will be available 7 days before competition. It will be send to participants by e-mail.

Draw will be held on the day of the competition.

The protocols will be available on the internet, the link will be sent to participants by e-mail after the competition.

7. MUSIC

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all discs must show the Competition event, Competitor's name, the Nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program, free skating) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive for each program. If music information is not complete and discs not provided, accreditation will not be given.

8. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best placed Skaters in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medallists.

9. CHARGES AND EXPENSES

Event charges per person:	Chicks B, Cubs B, Springs B (6.0)	20 €
	Chicks A, Cubs A, Springs A	40 €
	Basic Novice A, Basic Novice B	40 €
	Advanced Novice	50 €
	Junior	50 €
	Senior	50 €

Payment must be made **in cash** on the competition day.

Travel expenses **will not be covered** by the organizer.

The expenses for rooms and meals, travel and transfer of the Team Leaders, Competitors and other Team officials **will not be covered** by the organizer and are on the account of the Teams.

10. PROTESTS

Each team has the right to submit protest against the judges' decision. Protests must be submitted to the Referee of the relevant event at the latest immediately after the event. Upon the submission of the protest a protest fee of 30 EUR must be paid. The referee's decision is final. In the new ISU Judging Systems no protests can be filed against the judges (see Rule123), but against the right determination of the executed element or any calculation error. In the ISU Judging System protest can be submitted in 24 hours after subsegment (e.g. Short Program) and before the awarding ceremony after the final segment (e.g. Free Skating). Protest must be done in a written form to the referee of the relevant segment. Please read ISU Rule 123.

11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND CONTACT PERSONS

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