

12th ZAGREB SNOWFLAKES TROPHY 2014

International Synchronized Skating Competition

for

Seniors, Juniors, Advanced Novice and Basic Novice

ANNOUNCEMENT



hosted by the:

CROATIAN SKATING FEDERATION

organized by the:

“ZAGREB SNOWFLAKES” Synchronized Skating Club, Zagreb, Croatia

Date:

February 27 - March 1, 2014

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

The Zagreb Snowflakes Trophy 2014 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution, ISU General Regulations 2012 and Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Synchronized Skating 2012 as well as all pertinent ISU Communications.

Participation in the Zagreb Snowflakes Trophy is open to all Teams who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3 and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of this Communication.

2. TECHNICAL DATA

Zagreb Snowflakes Trophy 2014 will be conducted in accordance with appropriate ISU Rules (ISU General Regulations 2012 and ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Synchronized Skating 2012) for Seniors and Juniors, including guidelines for Novice competitions (Communication N^o. 1760 and N^o. 1786).

The following categories are included:

- **Seniors:** Short Program and Free Skating
- **Juniors:** Short Program and Free Skating
- **Advanced Novice:** Free Skating
- **Basic Novice:** Free Skating

The final results will be determined according to the ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2012.

The following should be noted:

Teams may enter more than one category using different music and a different program, with a minimum 50% change in skaters. Only those skaters whose names are listed on the registration form will be allowed to skate.

Senior Teams		
<i>shall consist of 16 skaters, whom must have reached at least age of 14 by July 1, 2013.</i>		
Short Program:	maximum 2 minutes 50 seconds	Factor 0,8
Free Skating Program:	4 minutes 30 seconds (± 10 seconds)	1,6

Junior Teams		
<i>shall consist of 16 skaters, whom must have reached at least age of 12 but not have reached the age 19, by July 1, 2013.</i>		
Short Program:	maximum 2 minutes 50 seconds	Factor 0,8
Free Skating Program:	4 minutes (± 10 seconds)	1,6

Advanced Novice Teams		
<i>shall consist of 16 skaters, whom must have reached the age of 10 and have not reached the age 15, by July 1, 2013.</i>		
Free Skating Program:	3 minutes 30 seconds (± 10 seconds)	Factor 1,0

Basic Novice Teams		
<i>shall consist of 8 to 16 skaters, whom must have not reached the age of 15, by July 1, 2013.</i>		
Free Skating Program:	3 minutes (± 10 seconds)	Factor 1,0 Falls 0,5

All Competition Events and Official Practices will take place in Competition Arena – Dom sportova. Dom sportova is an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 58 x 28 m, air-conditioned and heated. Dom sportova has a capacity of 5.000 seats.

The layout of the arena with the entrance to and exit from the ice, judge's stand, etc. will be forwarded to each participant upon receipt of the team entry form.

3. ENTRIES AND NOMINATIONS / REGISTRATION

Each ISU Member Association **may enter two (2) Teams per category**. The organizer reserves the right to limit the number of entries per Member.

Entries of Teams, nominated Judges and Team Managers/Leaders must be made only thru the respective Members (except for Novice Events where the entries may be done directly by the clubs) on the designated Official Forms.

All Entries must to be sent to:

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
 Trg Krešimira Čosića 11, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia
 Tel: +385/1/3012 323
 Fax: +385/1/3093 547
 E-mail: gs@croskate.hr
 Web page: www.zagreb-snowflakes-trophy.org

Preliminary Entries, indicating participation of the ISU Member (or club), have to be submitted not later than **November 15, 2013** while **Final Entries**, with the name of selected Team and Judge, must be submitted **not later than January 15, 2014. (Please enclose Team photo – no Coaches included).**

If invited Members are unable to accept the invitation to participate, they are kindly asked to notify this to the Organizing Committee by no later than November 15, 2013.

The registration for Referees, Technical Specialists, Technical Controller, Judges, Teams, Accredited Coaches and Team Managers/Leaders will take place at the Four Points – Panorama Hotel (official hotel) starting from Wednesday, February 26, from 12:00 till 20:00 and on Thursday, February 27, from 8:00 till 19:00.

All registered Skaters have to enclose **copy of their passport** when they sign in.

ENTRY FEES

For Senior and Junior Teams the entry fee of 390,00 EUR per Team is required at the time of application, amount to be paid via Bank transfer.

For Advanced Novice and Basic Novice Teams the entry fee of 330,00 EUR per Team is required at the time of application, amount to be paid via Bank transfer.

Expiry date of entry is January 15, 2014. Should a Team withdraw from the event after that date, Entry Fee will not be refunded (See Entry Fee Information).

4. TECHNICAL AND JUDGES PANEL

In accordance with Rule 720, each participating ISU Member may nominate only one (1) Judge for the international competitions, listed on the ISU List of Referees and Judges for Synchronized Skating 2013/2014 and subsequent pertinent ISU Communications. For Novice Event organizer will accept national judges as well. The Referees, Technical Specialists, Technical Controller, Data Operator and Replay Operator will be nominated by the Organizing Committee and chosen from the ISU list for Synchronized Skating 2013/2014 and subsequent pertinent ISU Communications.

The Organizer will cover the travel expenses for invited Referees, Technical Specialists, Technical Controller, Data Operator and Replay Operator only. Ordered flight tickets should be based on economy airfare. The Organizer will provide ground transportation for invited Technical Panel, the Referees and nominated Judges.

The expenses (room and meals) for invited Technical Panel, the Referees and nominated Judges will be borne by the Organizer starting with lunch on Thursday, February 27 to lunch Sunday, March 2, 2014 for the European Judges, and from dinner, Wednesday, February 26 to lunch Sunday, March 2, 2014 for the non-European Judges.

Spouses and other persons accompanying teams are not included. All other expenses shall be the responsibility of each Official.

The Draw for the Panel of Judges will be made at the Judges Meeting, which will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2014, at 17:00 at the Four Points – Panorama Hotel.

The Judges Round Table Discussion will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2014 after the Award Ceremony in Dom sportova Arena.

5. CITIZENSHIP / RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with ISU Rule 109, 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.

6. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All Teams shall provide their competition music of excellent quality, on CD in accordance with Rule 724. The Team must submit two (2) copies for each program at the time of registration. All CD's must be properly inserted in their original container and be clearly identified with the name of the Team, the category (junior/senior/novice), the type of program (short program/free skating) and must show the exact running time of the music (not skating time). Please see **Form 4**.

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

7. HOTEL ACCOMODATION

The Four Points - Panorama Hotel is the official Hotel for Judges, Referees and Technical Panel (capacity of minimum 213 rooms and suites - 320 persons). There is an accommodation possibility for Teams in the same hotel for about 12 Teams. The Four Points - Panorama Hotel is located across the street from "Dom sportova" Arena. Transportation will not be necessary to and from the event.

FOUR POINTS – PANORAMA HOTEL

Trg Krešimira Ćosića 9, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia

Tel: +385/1/3658 333

Fax: +385/1/3092 657

Reservations must be made directly to the hotel on a first come first serve basis.

Favorable conditions will be offered to the Teams (see Hotel conditions attached – **Form HP-Info** and **Form HP-Reservation**).

Meals will be available at the Four Points - Panorama Hotel (for Teams accommodated there) with a special rate of **16,00 EUR** per meal (See **Form 6**).

Additional hotel supporting Zagreb Snowflakes Trophy 2014 is Hotel Laguna (with capacity of 60 rooms – 100 persons). This is accommodation possibility for about 4 Teams. Transportation will not be necessary to and from the event.

HOTEL LAGUNA

Kranjčevićeva 29, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia

Tel. +385/1/3047 001

Fax: +385/1/3047 077

Reservations have to be made directly to the hotel on a first come first serve basis.

Favorable conditions will be offered to the teams (see Hotel conditions attached – **Form HL-Info** and **Form HL-Reservation**).

For Teams not accommodated at the Four Points - Panorama Hotel there is a possibility of having meals at the restaurant "Pivnica Zagorka" at the price of 11,00 EUR per meal. It is located 200 meters from the Ice rink (See **Form 6**).

Accommodation and meals for participating Teams is at their own expense.

Only mentioned procedure and use of enclosed forms will guarantee mentioned prices and accommodation conditions. Otherwise, Organizer does not accept any responsibility regarding to the hotel accommodation.

For those who want accommodation in other hotels or hostels, there is a list of additional hotels offered to Teams on **Form-Other Hotels**.

8. TRANSPORTATION

Teams arriving in Croatia by bus will be independent (organized parking place at the Four Points - Panorama Hotel, Hotel Laguna or by Dom sportova Arena).

For the other Teams, a bus will be available at a cost (See **Form 8**).

The Organizing Committee grants the transportation of the invited Technical Panel, Referees and Judges from/to Zagreb Airport or Railway Station.

9. PRACTICE ICE

The official practice will start on Friday, February 28, 2014. Each Team will be allowed a 10 minute period of official practice ice for the Short Program and 12 minute period for the Free Skating Program, free of charge.

No extra practice ice will be available after the Official Draw.

For extra practice ice (Thursday, February 27, 2014) see enclosed **Form 4**.

10. DRAW

The Opening Draw Ceremony will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 19:30 (see PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE) at the Four Points - Panorama Hotel. The intermediate draw will take place at the Arena (close to warm up area) immediately after the end of the Short Program.

11. OPENING CEREMONY

The Opening Ceremony will be held at Dom sportova Arena on Friday, February 28, 2014, at 18:00. Two skaters from each team will take part in this ceremony as banner carriers.

12. MEDALS AND TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to the winning Team in each category.

Medals will be awarded to the top three placed Teams in each category.

13. COMPETITORS PARTY

The Competitors Party will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2014 at 22:30.
(See enclosed **Form 7**).

14. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with ISU Rule 119, it is the sole obligation of each Member participating in Events, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's Team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious. It is an internal matter of each Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The Croatian Skating Federation and the Organizing Committee assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials

15. MEDICAL INFORMATION

Each Team Manager should be able to give important medical information for each Skater for use in case of emergency/accident. Such information should include but is not limited to the following, and will greatly help local medical and emergency personnel:

- allergies
- existing medical conditions (i.e. asthma)
- current medications
- immunizations
- blood type
- use of glasses, contact lenses, dental appliances

If there is anything important what Medical Commission at the competition has to know in advance, **Form 12 (Medical Notification Skaters Health Care) must be handed over during the time of registration.**

16. PUBLICITY WAIVER

Each individual and/or team, waive any and all rights to financial remuneration or other compensation for the use or reproduction of their image or likeness, or that of their synchronized skating team, and grant permission to use same, as or in publicity prior to, during or following the Zagreb Snowflakes Trophy 2014, in Zagreb, Croatia.

17. TICKETS

Each Team participating will be provided with 6 free passes (Team Manager, Coach, Assistant Coach, Medical Person, two (2) Team Service Personnel) and one (1) for Team Leader per participated ISU Member. The Organizer will reserve extra tickets at price of **2,00 EUR** ticket/day.

18. PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 26, 2014	12:00 – 20:00	Arrival and registration of participants
Thursday, February 27, 2014	08:00 – 19:00	Arrival and registration of participants
	07:00 – 19:00	Extra practice ice
	17:30 – 18:00	Technical Controller and Referees Meeting
	18:00	Judges Meeting and Draw
	18:30	Team Leaders / Coaches Meeting
	19:30	Draw
	21:00	Officials Dinner
Friday, February 28, 2014	07:00 – 08:30	Official Practice – Basic Novice Free Skating
	08:30 – 10:00	Official Practice – Advanced Novice Free Skating
	10:00 – 11:30	Official Practice – Junior Short Program
	11:30 – 13:00	Official Practice – Senior Short Program
	14:00 – 16:00	Competition – Basic Novice Free Skating
	16:00 – 18:00	Competition – Advanced Novice Free Skating
	18:00 – 18:15	Opening Ceremony (Dom sportova Arena)
	18:30 – 20:30	Competition – Junior Short Program
	20:30 – 22:30	Competition – Senior Short Program
	22:45 – 23:00	Award Ceremony – Basic Novice, Advanced Novice
Saturday, March 1, 2014	08:00 – 10:00	Official Practice – Junior Free Skating
	10:00 – 12:00	Official Practice – Senior Free Skating
	15:00 – 17:00	Competition – Junior Free Skating
	17:00 – 19:00	Competition – Senior Free Skating
	19:15 – 19:45	Award Ceremony – Junior, Senior
	21:00 – 01:00	Competitors Party (FP – Panorama Hotel)
	21:00 – 23:00	Round Table Discussion (FP – Panorama Hotel)

Please note that this schedule is subject to change.

DEADLINE: January 15, 2014

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Expiry date of the Entry Fee acceptance is **January 15, 2014**.

Should a team withdraw from the event after that date; the amount will not be returned.

Payment details:

User name: **KSK ZAGREBAČKE PAHULJICE (Zagreb Snowflakes SyS Club)**
User address: **Trg Krešimira Čosića 11, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia**
Bank name: **ZAGREBAČKA BANKA**
Bank address: **Paromlinska 2, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia**
BIC (SWIFT): **ZABAHR2X**
IBAN: **HR7423600001101481665**
Amount: **390,00 EUR (Senior and Junior Teams)**
330,00 EUR (Novice Teams)