



ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION

The Skating Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina invites you to



SARAJEVO OPEN 2016

*International and Inter-Club Figure Skating Competition for Senior, Junior, Advanced Novice, Basic
Novice A, Basic Novice B, Cubs, Chicks*

Single and Pairs



Conducted under ISU rules

Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

February 4-7, 2016

GENERAL INFO

Sarajevo Open 2016 International Figure Skating Competition will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2014, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Figure Skating 2014, and the relevant ISU Communications, Novice categories will be held in accordance with ISU Communication 1947 and subsequent updates.

Participation is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU member, and qualify with regards to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their age is within limits specified in Rule 108.

Furthermore all participants must meet the citizenship and residency requirements as per Rule 109 and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of this ISU Communication.

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. Passports of all skaters as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate if applicable must be presented at the accreditation of the event at the latest for verification.

ENTRIES

All ISU Members and Clubs, Members of National Figure Skating Federations associated in the ISU, are invited to take part at the competition.

Each ISU Member may enter two Competitors in Senior ladies, Senior men, or two pair teams in Senior Pairs, Junior Ladies, Junior Men, or two pair teams in Junior Pairs, Advanced Girls and Advanced boys, or two pair teams in advanced novices.

For other categories each Member or the invited Club may enter 3 (three) Competitors (three girls and three boys).

The Organizer reserves the right to enter additional skaters in each category and to limit entries in any event in case of too many entries.

Entry Forms listing Competitors and substitutes must be sent to:

Organizer: *Skating Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina*

Phone: *+387 62 375 233*

Fax: *+387 33 276 135*

E-mail for Entries only: *sarajevo.open@gmx.com*

E-mail for inquires: *info@ksbih.ba*

Date: *February 4–7, 2016*

Location of competition: Olympic Complex "ZETRA" (Olympic hall "JUAN ANTONIO SAMARANCH"), Alipasina bb, 71000 Sarajevo

Entry forms should be accompanied by a copy of skater's passport.

Entries must reach the organizing committee no later than **January 4th, 2016**

CHARGES

50 euro for single skaters (Senior, Junior and Advanced Novice) and **80 euro** for pair team,

40 euro for all other single categories is to be paid for each Competitor.

Cancellation of the competitor entry, if any, has to be done until January 14th, 2016.

For any later cancellation the team leader of federation or club will be asked to pay the entry fees

TECHNICAL DATA

PLACE:

Olympic Complex "ZETRA" (Olympic hall "JUAN ANTONIO SAMARANCH"), Alipasina bb, 71000 Sarajevo (an indoor ice –rink with the ice surface 60x30 m, air-conditioned and heated)

CATEGORIES – SINGLES/PAIRS

SENIOR MEN, LADIES AND PAIRS

In accordance with ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2014, Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dancing 2014, as well as all relevant ISU Communications.

JUNIOR MEN, LADIES AND PAIRS

In accordance with ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2014, Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dancing 2014, as well as all relevant ISU Communications.

WORLD STANDING POINTS

In case the requirements as per ISU Communication 1629 are fulfilled, WORLD STANDINGS points will be awarded in the Senior Categories Men, Ladies and Pairs.

ADVANCED NOVICES GIRLS

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 1947 Short Program max 2min 30 sec & Free Skating 3min +/-10 sec

ADVANCED NOVICES BOYS

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 1947 Short Program max 2min 30 sec & Free Skating 3min 30 sec +/-10 sec

ADVANCED NOVICES PAIRS

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 1947 Short Program max 2min 30 sec & Free Skating 3min 30 sec +/-10 sec

BASIC NOVICE B (or DEBS)

Age requirements:

a) has reached at least the age of thirteen (13)

b) has not reached the age of fifteen (15) for Girls and Boys by 1st July 2015

Girls – Free Skating 3min 00 sec. (+/- 10 sec.)

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules - Single and Pair Skating 2014 and ISU Communication No 1947.

Boys – Free Skating 3min.00sec. (+/- 10 sec.)

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules - Single and Pair Skating 2014 and ISU Communication No 1947.

BASIC NOVICE A (or SPRINGS)

Age requirements:

a) has reached at least the age of ten (10)

b) has not reached the age of thirteen (13) for Girls and Boys by 1st July 2015

Girls – Free Skating 2min 30 sec. (+/- 10 sec.)

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules - Single and Pair Skating 2014 and ISU Communication No 1947.

Boys – Free Skating 2min 30 sec. (+/- 10 sec.)

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules - Single and Pair Skating 2014 and ISU Communication No 1947.

CUBS

Age requirements:

- a) has reached at least the age of eight (8)*
- b) has not reached the age of ten (10) for Girls and Boys by 1st July 2015*

Girls – Free Skating 2min 00 sec. (+/- 10 sec.)

Boys – Free Skating 2min 30 sec. (+/- 10 sec.)

A well balanced Free Skating program for CUBS 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 combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only the two most difficult jumps will be counted. Any single or double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total. Triple jumps are not permitted.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.

c) There must be a maximum:

*(i) for **Girls** one (1) Choreographic sequence which includes at least one (1) spiral position at least (3) seconds long. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.*

*(ii) for **Boys** maximum of one (1) step sequence without Level value. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.*

LEVELS EXPLANATIONS:

For Cubs 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.

FALLS DEDUCTIONS 0,50 for each!

THE PROGRAM COMPONENTS ARE ONLY JUDGED IN

Skating Skills

Performance/execution

The Factors for program components is 2,5

CHICKS

Age requirements:

a) has not reached the age of eight (8) for Girls and Boys by 1st July 2015;

Girls – Free Skating 2min 00 sec (+/-10 sec)

Boys - Free Skating 2min 00 sec (+/-10 sec)

A well balanced Free Skating program for Chicks must contain:

a) Maximum of four (4) jump elements for Girls and Boys. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only the two most difficult jumps will be counted. Any single or double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total. Triple jumps are not permitted.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.

c) There must be a maximum:

*(i) **For Girls** one (1) choreographic sequence which includes at least one (1) spiral position at least (3) seconds long. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.*

*(ii) **For Boys** maximum of one (1) step sequence without Level value. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.*

LEVELS EXPLANATIONS: For Chicks 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.

FALLS DEDUCTIONS 0,25 for each!

THE PROGRAM COMPONENTS ARE ONLY JUDGED IN

Skating Skills

Performance/execution

The factors for Program Components are 2,5 for GIRLS AND BOYS.

The same ISU rules regarding judging, refereeing and work of the Technical panel apply as in Junior and Senior International Competitions.

JUDGES

Each participating National Federation or Club may nominate one (1) International or Championships Judge. In case of too many nominated judges the organizer will draw the panels of judges after the entries closing date and written confirmation will immediately be sent to each Federation/Club.

*Nomination of Judges and substitutes must be sent with the Entry Forms for Competitors by **January 4th, 2016!***

MEALS, LODGING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

The Organizer will provide and cover expenses for accommodation and meals for all confirmed/drawn judges, as well as for Invited Officials, from dinner on Wednesday, February 3rd, 2016 through breakfast on Sunday, February 7th, 2016

All extra expenses will be the responsibility of the individual and their respective Member and team leader and must be paid prior to departure.

Travel expenses to and from Sarajevo, transfer costs to and from the Official Hotel and Airport will not be covered by the organizer except for invited ISU officials.

ACCOMMODATION

The participating teams are solely responsible for the accommodation and meals.

HOTEL "GRAND" * (OFFICIAL HOTEL – All activities regarding the competition will be held here)**

Prices: 26€ per person - Half Board - Double and Triple rooms

30€ per person - Half Board - Single rooms

5€ Additional meal

(WiFi internet access is available)

Address: Muhameda ef. Pandže 7, 71000 Sarajevo

Contact person: Irhad Serak

E-mail: marketing@hotelgrand.com

Tel: +387 33 563 243 (working hours: 8-17h)

Mob: +387 61 555 995

www.hotelgrand.com

The Organizer cannot cover any expenses for Competitors, Team Leaders, Coaches or Chaperons.

All the damages incurred at the Hotel will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid prior to departure.

Travel expenses to and from Sarajevo, transfer costs to and from the Official Hotel and Airport will not be covered by the organizer except for invited ISU officials.

Transportation from Airport to the Hotel can be provided by the Hotel at 20€ return ticket.

Shuttle bus from the Hotel to the Ice Rink and return will only be provided for invited ISU Officials. The Hotel is near the Ice Rink.

Private car and taxi/cab or rent-a-car service can be arranged by the Hotel upon request. Same goes for transport from the Airport to the Hotel and return.

MUSIC/PLANNED PROGRAM

Music will be reproduced from CD player (normal speed) Audio CDs (not MP3)

CDs must be clearly labeled with the competitors name, club/National federation and category in which the competitor is competing. Such labeled CDs and 1 backup should be delivered to the organizer immediately upon arrival together with payment of entry fees.

Together with entry forms the Program Content Sheet must be returned to the Organizing Committee. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet be completed precisely by each skater/pair in English using terminology listed in the respective ISU Communication.

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

If music information, Program Content Sheet or payment of entry fees is not provided, accreditation will not be given.

Registration: All event officials, judges, team leaders, competitors and coaches taking part in the competition are requested to register at the official desk – registration room in Olympic Complex “ZETRA”. All skaters will be required to present their valid passport prior to receiving accreditation. Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport or ISU certificate.

LIABILITY

In accordance with ISU Regulations, Rule 119, all participants act on their own responsibility. Organizer accepts no liability for bodily or personal injury or for property loss or damage incurred by any competitor or any kind of Officials.

Organizer will provide medical emergency aid during competition.

CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Results will be calculated in the new ISU Judging System.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The first three best placed competitors in each event will be awarded by medals and special presents, others by diplomas.

The Award Ceremonies will take place following the finish of the given category competitions.

DRAW

Please be informed that the Draw will be held on the previous day of the competition concerned.

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE

For any additional practice the rate is as follows:

1 hour - exclusive one team - 120€

1 hour - with other teams max skaters 25 - 10 euro per skater or per person on ice (if coach is on skates on ice)

Provisional Schedule

Wednesday – 03/02/2016

Arrivals
Practices

Judges meeting and draw

Thursday – 04/02/2016

Competitions:
Junior pairs - Short Program
Senior pairs – Short program
Junior ladies- men - Short program
Senior ladies – men Short program

Friday – 05/02/2016

Competitions:
Junior pairs - Free Program

Senior pairs - Free program
Junior ladies - men - Free program
Senior ladies - men Free program
Advanced novice - Short program

Prize giving ceremony - Juniors - seniors

Saturday – 06/02/2016

Competitions:
Chicks
Cubs
Basic Novice A
Basic Novice B
Advanced Novice - Free Program

Prize giving ceremony - Chicks, Cubs, Basic Novice A and B, Advanced Novice

THE OFFICIAL FINAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS WILL BE PUBLISHED AFTER THE REGISTRATION OF ALL ENTRIES.

Please, be informed that all changes in entries and Preliminary Program will be published at www.ksbih.ba

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN SARAJEVO!