



Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008

**42. POKAL
DER
BLAUEN
SCHWERTER
2007
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ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION



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An International Junior Competition

for

Men, Ladies, Pairs and Ice Dancing

organized by the

DEUTSCHE EISLAUF-UNION e.V.

CHEMNITZ

October 11th – 14th, 2007

A competition as part of the



Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008

under the authorization of the

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION



1. General Regulations

The "Pokal der Blauen Schwerter" will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2006, the ISU Special Regulations for Single & Pairs 2006, the ISU Special Regulations for Ice Dancing 2006, the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2006 and ISU Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the "Pokal der Blauen Schwerter" is open to all Competitors 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 2 c) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 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 for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

With reference to the Announcement of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008 the list of ISU Members invited for participation with the quota in each discipline as mentioned in the annex of this announcement must be observed.

2. Technical Data

- Place:**
- a) **Eisstadion Chemnitz, Wittgendorferstr. 2a, 09114 Chemnitz, Germany**
(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 x 30 m)
 - b) **Practice Arena, Wittgendorferstr. 2a, 09114 Chemnitz, Germany**
(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 x 30 m, air-conditioned and heated),

Main and practice arena are situated side by side within easiest walking distance.

MEN	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006 Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 3, group C for 2007/2008.
		Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
		Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.
LADIES	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006 Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 3, group C for 2007/2008.
		Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less



	Free Skating	In accordance with Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
		Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.
PAIRS	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2006, Rule 513, paragraphs 2 and 4, group B for 2007/2008.
		Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with Technical Rules Figure Skating & Pairs Skating 2006, Rule 521 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
		Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.
ICE DANCING	Compulsory Dance	The following Compulsory Dance will be skated: Viennese Waltz The official ISU Compulsory Dance music will be used.
	Original Dance	In accordance with Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006, Rule 609 and all pertinent ISU Communications. The rhythm for the Original Dance is the "Folk-Country Dance" Any type of folk/country music can be used. For the chosen type, there are no restrictions on the number of musical selections. Although the dance may consist of different musical selections – fast and/or slow – there must be a consistent theme based on a specific country or region. The folk/country character and style must be translated to the ice by flow and use of edges. Variations of tempo within one selection of music are permitted. Each selection of music may have a different tempo. Vocal music is permitted Duration: 2 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.
	Free Dance	In accordance with Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006, Rule 610; and all pertinent ISU Communications. Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec. Technical Rules Ice Dancing 2006, Rule 610 paragraph 2 (well balanced program and required elements) and the relevant ISU Communication must be observed.



3. **ENTRIES**

3.1 **Entries of Competitors**

a) **Entries by Number**

In accordance with the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008 announcement the right to enter competitors is limited for each ISU Member. The individual quota as well as the official "Entry Forms by Number" is included in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008 general announcement package. The entries by number indicating the number of skaters/couples in the disciplines concerned must be submitted not later than **June 15th, 2007** at the latest, to the **ISU Secretariat**, to the Chair of the Sports Directorate, **Mr. Peter Krick** and to the ISU Event Coordinator, **Mr. Mario Meinel** simultaneously, their participants by number for all eight events of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

The Members must also announce by **June 15th, 2007** the disciplines and/or the events in which they are originally entitled to enter participants but do not use this right.

Members announcing the events and disciplines after the above-mentioned deadline may lose the right to participate in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

Paragraph 2.4 of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008 general announcement regulates additional entries

b) **Entries by Name**

Entries by names must be made simultaneously to

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not later than **31 days** prior to the first day of competition: **September 10th, 2007**.

Please observe the restrictions concerning the selection of Competitors within the events of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating" (see also general announcement for the Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008, paragraph 1.



b) Entries of Judges

Each participating ISU Members may nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge for one event in which the Member has Competitor(s) entered. If an ISU Member has entries in the two single events or in one single event and the ice dance event or has entries in three or more disciplines, this Member has the right to enter a second Judge. It is recommended that the second Judge, if possible, have the qualification for Ice Dancing. **The ISU Grand Prix Coordination Group may reduce the number of Judges in case of needed, preferably from ISU Members entered with two Judges and entries only in the two single events.**

Only Judges, who have participated in one of the ISU Seminars for the ISU Judging System, are eligible to serve in the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events.

Please observe the restrictions concerning the selection of Judges within the events of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2007/2008 that no judge may serve in more than three ISU Junior Grand Prix events (Figure Skating and Ice Dancing not separated).

The official entry form for Judges must reach the Organizing Committee, the ISU Secretariat and the Chair of the ISU Sports Directorate, Mr. Peter Krick (addresses see above), not later than **31 days** prior to the first day of competition: **September 10th, 2007**.

Each panel of Judges will consist of a maximum of 10 judges but with a minimum of 7 judges, if possible.

4. MEALS, LODGING and TRAVEL EXPENSES

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Competitors and Judges participating, beginning with dinner on **Tuesday, October 9th, 2007** until breakfast on **Sunday, October 14th, 2007**.

Should any Competitor or Judge arrive at the hotel before or stay longer than the period described above, their room costs and expenses will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid on arrival.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals also for the Referees, the Technical Controllers, the ISU Coordinator for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating, the ISU Event Coordinator, the ISU Event Coordinator Assistant, the ISU Video Specialists, the Cameraman, the Technical staff of ST-Sportservice GmbH and the Anti Doping Control Team during the same period as indicated for the competitors. If any longer period is agreed upon with the Organizing Committee, the period of coverage will be prolonged as agreed.

The costs for rooms and meals for the Technical Specialists, the Data Operators and the Video Replay Operator will be covered by the Organizing Committee and reimbursed by the ISU.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for travel expenses for the Technical Controllers and the Anti-Doping Control Team.

All extra expenses incurred by any Team Member or any kind of Official will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior to departure.

The Judges, the Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists and the Data- and Replay Operators will receive remuneration in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1401, paragraph I (or any update of this Communication). Only hard currencies are acceptable. The remuneration will be paid upon accreditation. The ISU will reimburse the total relevant costs upon receipt of an invoice stating the number (including names) of the acting officials and their signature.



5. PRACTICE

Official practice for Competitors begins on **Wednesday, October 10th, 2007 in the morning**. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration. According to ISU Regulations 540 paragraph 4 and 634 paragraph 4 no competitor/couple may practice in a rink other than the official rink or rinks after been accredited through the Organizing Committee.

6. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on cassette, CD or MD format, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating Program for Single and Pairs, for the Original and Free Dance Program for Ice Dancing and for the Exhibition must be listed for each Competitor on the official Music Selection Form and attached to the official Entry Form for Competitors.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all cassettes and 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, original dance, free dance) must be recorded on one track and on a separate disc or cassette. In addition competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive or cassette for each program.

If music information is not complete and cassettes or discs not provided, accreditation will not be given.

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.

7. ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS / TEAMS

All Referees, the Technical Panel (Technical Controller, Technical Specialists, Video- and Data Operator) Judges, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff and Coaches as well as the ISU Doping Control Team taking part in the competition are requested to announce to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but no later than **September 10th, 2007**, the name of the airlines, flight numbers, dates and times of arrival at the **airports either in Leipzig or Dresden** or any other information concerning transportation and arrivals. The official "travel form" should be used.

The nearest airport to **Chemnitz** is **Leipzig-Halle and Dresden** with a distance each of **about 70 kilometer / 1 hour** to the official hotel. The Organizing Committee provides a bus shuttle to meet the teams on arrival. Please accept that we have to ask for a small transportation fee from all persons participating in this shuttle service. Please inform the Organizing Committee together with your entry whether you will be using the transportation offered.



8. **OFFICIAL HOTEL**

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<http://marriott.com/hotels/travel/drsch-renaissance-chemnitz-hotel>

All reservations need to be made through the Organizing Committee. The hotel will not accept any private bookings.

9. **ACCREDITATION**

The official accreditation is planned at the **official hotel "Renaissance Chemnitz Hotel"** upon arrival.

Accreditation will be given to appointed ISU Event Officials, ISU Office Holders and Guests.

Accreditation as a Team Member will furthermore given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team-Leader per participating team, one Coach per Competitor, a maximum of two Team Officials of ISU Members, provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation and a maximum of two medical persons. Accreditation will only be granted to persons in those various functions if officially entered and named through their National Association. **The ISU Member certifies with the signed entry the indicated functions within the team of all team members. Any misuse of any function will be sanctioned by the ISU/OC.**

Chaperons (only one per skater) are invited to purchase a "half-price all-event ticket". Chaperons will receive a permit for joining the official bus system of the Organizing Committee.

10. **RESULTS**

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in Technical Rule Single & Pair Skating 2006, Rule 352 and Rule 353 (Determination and publication of results) will be in place.

11. **PRESENTATION OF MEDALS**

The three best placed skaters/couples in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medallists. The national anthem of the winner will be played and the flags of the medal winners hoisted.



12. POINTS FOR "ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating"

Points will be awarded as follows:

Ladies, Men

1 st place	15 points
2 nd place	13 points
3 rd place	11 points
4 th place	9 points
5 th place	7 points
6 th place	5 points
7 th place	4 points
8 th place	3 points
9 th place	2 points
10 th place	1 point

Dance

1 st place	15 points
2 nd place	13 points
3 rd place	11 points
4 th place	9 points
5 th place	7 points
6 th place	5 points
7 th place	4 points
8 th place	3 points

Pairs

1 st place	15 points
2 nd place	13 points
3 rd place	11 points
4 th place	9 points
5 th place	7 points
6 th place	5 points

The points received are of value for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating and the qualification for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final.

If a skater/couple does not complete an event due to illness or injury, this event will be treated as "not skated", i.e. the result(s) of initial round(s) completed will not count for the ISU Junior Grand Prix ranking order. Such an event will however count as one participation but without receiving credit in the ranking order. Only a second participation in another "ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating event" is possible.

13. PRIZE MONEY

Prize Money will be awarded to each medal winner for each category as follows:

	Men and Ladies	Pairs and Dance
1st place	US\$ 2.000,00	US\$ 3.000,00
2nd place	US\$ 1.500,00	US\$ 2.250,00
3rd place	US\$ 1.000,00	US\$ 1.500,00

The individual prize money will be transferred to the National Association concerned immediately after the conclusion of the event.

The prize money may be reduced or completely withheld if a skater/couple:

- will not participate in the final exhibition gala of the Event concerned with at least one exhibition number (show dance or similar) plus an encore if so requested (not completed or fractures of programs are not considered to be sufficient. A Short Program, Original Dance or a Free Program/Free Dance or a part of a competition program in another costume or skated to another music is also not considered a "show dance").
- do not attend the press conference after his/her/their event if any is organized.
- do not take part in social events if asked by the ISU and/or the organizer.

The decision to reduce or withhold the prize money can only be made by the ISU Coordination Group in consultation and with the agreement of the ISU Coordinator for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

The withholding taxes, if any, will be deducted according to the individual government's law.



14. ISU World Standings

World Standing points will also be awarded according to the "World Standings Procedure", that can be found on the ISU website (www.isu.org) under Single & Pairs/Ice Dance – World Standings."

15. ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

The Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current with the current ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1372 and 1373 or any further update of this Communication).

The tests will be taken from each first placed skater/couple. In case of a couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man of the first placed couple will be tested.

One skater from the remainder of the skaters shall be selected by random draw in Men, Ladies, Pairs and Ice Dancing. In case of a couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man will be tested.

16. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole obligation of each Member participating in ISU 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 ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The ISU assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

17. EXHIBITION

There will be no exhibition gala at the end of the "Pokal der Blauen Schwerter".

18. ROUND-TABLE-DISCUSSIONS

All Round-Table-Discussions are scheduled the morning after the respective final Free Skating/Free Dance event. See also preliminary schedule.



19. INFORMATION

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19. PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2007	All day	Arrival of Teams
Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2007	All day	Official Practice
	10:00	Team Leaders Meeting
		Draws of Starting Orders in accordance with the practice schedule.
	17:00	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting
	18:00	Judges Meeting and Draw
	20:00	Opening Ceremony and Reception
	21:00	ISU and Judges Dinner
Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007		Official Practice
		ICE DANCING – Compulsory DANCE
		MEN – Short Program
		LADIES – Short Program
Friday, Oct. 12, 2007		Official Practice
		PAIRS – Short Program
		ICE DANCING – Original Dance
		LADIES – Free Skating
		Victory Ceremony - LADIES
Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007		Official Practice
		LADIES – Round Table Discussion
		ICE DANCING – Free Dance
		PAIRS – Free Skating
		MEN – Free Skating
		Victory Ceremonies – ICE DANCING, PAIRS, MEN
	21:00	Closing Banquet
Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007	07:00	ICE DANCING – Round Table Discussion
	08:00	PAIRS – Round Table Discussion
	09:00	MEN – Round Table Discussion

This schedule is subject to change!

ANNEX
7th event Chemnitz / GER
LIST OF MAXIMUM SKATERS PER ISU MEMBER

		MEN	LADIES	PAIRS	DANCE
Andorra	AND	1	1	3	1
Armenia	ARM	~	~	3	1
Australia	AUS	1	1	3	1
Austria	AUT	1	1	3	1
Azerbaijan	AZE	~	~	3	1
Belarus	BLR	1	1	3	1
Belgium	BEL	1	1	3	1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	BIH	~	~	3	1
Brazil	BRA	~	~	3	1
Bulgaria	BUL	~	~	3	1
Canada	CAN	2	1	3	2
China	CHN	2	1	3	1
Chinese Taipei	TPE	1	1	3	1
Croatia	CRO	1	~	3	1
Czech Republic	CZE	1	1	3	1
Denmark	DEN	1	1	3	1
D.P.R. Korea	PRK	~	~	3	1
Estonia	EST	1	2	3	2
Finland	FIN	1	2	3	1
France	FRA	1	1	3	2
Georgia	GEO	1	1	3	1
Germany	GER	3	3	no limitation	3
Great Britain	GBR	~	~	3	1
Greece	GRE	~	~	3	1
Hong Kong / China	HKG	1	1	3	1
Hungary	HUN	1	1	3	1
Iceland	ISL	1	1	3	1
India	IND	1	1	3	1
Israel	ISR	~	~	3	1
Italy	ITA	1	1	3	1
Japan	JPN	2	2	3	1
Kazakhstan	KAZ	1	1	3	1
Latvia	LAT	1	1	3	1
Lithuania	LTU	1	1	3	1
Luxembourg	LUX	1	1	3	1
Mexico	MEX	1	1	3	1
Monaco	MON	1	1	3	1
Mongolia	MGL	1	1	3	1
Netherlands	NED	1	1	3	1
New Zealand	NZL	1	1	3	1
Norway	NOR	~	~	3	1
Philippines	PHI	~	~	3	1
Poland	POL	1	1	3	1
Puerto Rico	PUR	~	1	3	1
Republic of Korea	KOR	1	2	3	1
Romania	ROM	1	1	3	1
Russia	RUS	2	1	3	2
Serbia	SRB	~	~	3	1
Slovak Republic	SVK	1	1	3	1
Slovenia	SLO	~	~	3	1
South Africa	RSA	1	1	3	1
Spain	ESP	1	1	3	1
Sweden	SWE	1	1	3	1
Switzerland	SUI	1	1	3	1
Thailand	THA	~	~	3	1
Turkey	TUR	1	1	3	1
Ukraine	UKR	1	1	3	1
United States of America	USA	2	2	3	2
Uzbekistan	UZB	~	~	3	1