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ICECHALLENGE 2009

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GRAZ, AUSTRIA

Figure Skating Competition for Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance
Senior, Junior, Novice



Conducted under ISU Rules



Austrian Figure Skating Association

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1 General

The **Icechallenge 2009** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2008, the ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pairs Skating and Ice Dance 2008, as well as all pertinent ISU Communications.

Participation in the **Icechallenge 2009** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 2 and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and Communication No. 1420.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 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.

The Competition will fulfil also Communication N. 1460 paragraph 2. - ISU World Standings. Technical panel will be from (3) different ISU countries. If there are minimum 8 single skaters out of four different ISU countries, points for World Standings will be awarded.

2 Participation and Entry

Entry forms should be used!

Each ISU Member may enter two competitors in single events: Senior (2 ladies and 2 men), Junior (2 ladies and 2 men), and Novice (2 ladies and 2 men).

In Pairs and Ice Dance there is no limitation of entries.

The Austrian Figure Skating Federation and the organizer reserve the right to enter additional competitors in each category.

Each ISU Member entering the competition is entitled to nominate one judge in Singles / Pairs and one judge in Ice Dance.

The Panels of judges will consist of five (5) judges (in the ISU listed as international or ISU judges). The Organizer will draw the panel of judges after the closing of entries. The concerned Member will then be notified of the result of the draw by 15th of September 2009.

2.1 Entries by Number

Entries indicating the number of skaters / Couples in the disciplines concerned and judges must be made not later than 5th of September 2009.

2.2 Entries by Name

Entries by name of skaters / Couples and Judges must be made not later than 25th September 2009.

2.3 Entries by Judges

The entries of judges should be done till 25th of September 2009. After this deadline the judges draw will be done and the members will be informed of the result of the draw by 30th September 2009.

The first judges meeting will be held wednesday 29th October 2009 20.00 at the main rink. The Round table discussions will take place after each category.



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The official entry forms should be used and send to:

Grazer Eislaufverein
Münzgrabenstrasse 8, 8010 Graz, Austria
Mail: info@icechallenge.at
Fax: +43 316 21 800 79

and to

Österreichischer Eiskunstlaufverband
Austrian Figure Skating Association
Prinz Eugenstrasse 12, 1040 Wien, Austria
Mail: off-ice@ekl-austria.at
Fax: +43 1 505 58 70

3 Technical Data

ISU Member: Österreichischer Eiskunstlaufverband, Austria
Organizer: Union Grazer Eislaufverein
Münzgrabenstrasse 8, 8010 Graz, Austria
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All competition events as well as most of official practices will take place at the "Liebenauer Eishalle" (main arena 30 m x 60 m). Some of the official practices will take place at the "Liebenauer Eishalle Rink B", practice arena, (30 m x 60 m). These two facilities are located next to each other in the same complex. The Main Arena is indoor, heated with artificial ice surfaces, the practice rink is covered and with artificial ice surface.

Place of Competition: Liebenauer Eishalle:
Zoisweg 2, 8041 Graz, Austria

3.1 SENIOR Icechallenge 2009

3.1.1 Ladies, Men

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 510 and respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating Duration:
Men: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
Ladies: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communications.

3.1.2 Pairs

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 510 and respective ISU Communications.

Free Program Duration: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communications.

3.1.3 Ice Dance

Born before 01.07.1995

Compulsory Dance The Compulsory Dance to be skated is: Tango Romantica

Original Dance Folk / Country Dance
(Argentine Tango is not included in the mentioned Folk / Country dances and is not permitted because the rhythm is used in the Compulsory Dances (Argentin Tango and Tango Romantica) announced for the season).
Duration 2 Minutes 30 seconds +/-10 sec.
The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2008, Rule 609 and respective ISU Communications, like Communication No.1567

Free Dance Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISU Rules 2008 for Ice Dance, and the respective ISU Communications.

3.2 JUNIOR Icechallenge 2009

3.2.1 Ladies, Men

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 510, paragraphs 1 and 3, group B for season 2009/10 and the respective ISU Communications.

Free Program Duration:
Men: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
Ladies: 3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/- 10 seconds
In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 520 and the respective ISU Communications.

3.2.2 Junior Pairs

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes 50 seconds maximum, but may be less
The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2008 Rule 513, group A for 2009/2010. For their value see Rule 522 and the respective ISU Communication.

Free Program Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds
in accordance with ISU Technical Rules single and Pair Skating 2008, Rule 521 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the „well balanced program“ and the element value.

3.2.3 Junior Ice Dance

Born: 30.06.1990 – 01.07.1996 (Ladies)
30.06.1988 – v. d. 01.07.1996 (Men)

Compulsory Dance The following Compulsory Dance will be skated:
Westminster Waltz

Original Dance Duration: 2 min 30 sec. +/- 10 sec.
Rhythmus Folk / Country Dance
(Argentine Tango is not included in the mentioned Folk / Country dances and is not permitted because the rhythm is used in the Compulsory Dances (Argentine Tango and Tango Romantica) announced for the season). The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2008, Rule 609 and respective ISU Communications.

Free Dance Duration: 3 min 30 sec. +/- 10 sec.
In accordance with ISU Rules 2008 for Ice Dance, and the pertinent ISU Communications.

3.3 NOVICE Icechallenge 2009

3.3.1 Girls and Boys

Competition will be held in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1397 and respective ISU Communications.

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes 30 seconds maximum, but may be less

Free Program Duration:
Men: 3 minutes 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds
Ladies: 3 minutes +/- 10 seconds

3.3.2 Novice Pairs

The required elements to be skated are those listed in the ISU Communication No. 1397.

Short Program Duration: 2 minutes 30 seconds maximum, but may be less

Free Programm Duration: 3 minutes 30 seconds +/- 10 seconds

3.3.3 Novice Dance:

Girls born 30.06.1994 – 01.07.1999
Boys born. 30.06.1992 – 01.07.1999

Compulsory Dance The following Compulsory Dance will be skated:
Paso Doble

Free Dance Duration: 3 min +/- 10 sec.
In accordance with ISU Rules 2008 for Ice Dance, and the respective ISU Communications.

4 Charges

€ (EURO) 40,- have to be paid for each competitor/couple at the accreditation before the competition.

5 Music

Each program (short/free/) must be recorded on one track and on a separate disk. Competitors must provide a back-up drive for each program. The titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating Program for Singles and Pairs, for the Original and Free Dance Program for Ice Dance 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, according to Rule 378, paragraph 4 (sent by registered mail or fax). In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all disks must show the Competition event, Competitors 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.

6 Registration

Accreditation will be given to all Event Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data / Video Operator, all accepted Judges, Participants, one Team Leader and one Coach per Skater / Couple.

All skaters and judges will be required to present their passport (and clearance certificate if passport is not the same as the Member entering the skater) prior to receiving accreditation.

Accreditation will be given in the Ice Rink at the Accreditation-Office.

7 Results

The results will be calculated in accordance with ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules 2008 Single and Pair Skating 2008 – Rules 352 and 353 (ISU Judging System)

Skaters placed first to third will be awarded medals and diplomas, all the others diplomas.

8 Expenses

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

The expenses of the hotel accommodation on full board basis will be covered for Referees, one/two Judges, of each entered ISU Member, for the nominated Technical Controllers and the Technical Specialists, Data / Video Operators. Travel fees will only be paid to the nominated Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data / Video Operators based on economy fare.



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

9 Accomodation

Hotel form should be used!

The official Hotel will be the

AMEDIA Hotel Graz****
Conrad-von-Hötzendorf-Strasse 60
A-8010 Graz
www.amediahotels.com

The Amedia Hotel Graz is a brandnew 4 Star Accomodation situated 1,5 km desistance from the Icerink and 1,5 km desistance from the City Center

The room reservations for all team members have to be done exclusively with the hotel form through the organizing comitee to provide the special room rates.

Double Room including Breakfast and taxes per person / night € 42

Single Room including Breakfast and taxes per night € 62

All hotel payment shall be made upon arrival at the hotel. All extra expenses incurred by any person will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior departure.

10 Meals

Meal Voucher Form should be used!

The organizer will offer buffet of lunch and dinner including Water and Soft Drinks, at the "Icechallenge Lounge", late dinner will be served in the hotel.

For one Meal Ticket € 15 will be asked.

Meal hours:

Lunch: Icechallenge Lounge from 11:30 to 15:00,

Dinner: Icechallenge Lounge from 18:00 to 20:30

Late Dinner: Amedia Hotel: from 21:30 to 23:30.

We kindly ask you to order the tickets till 25th September 2009.

The number of Mealtickets available after 25th September or directly at the competition will be limited.

11 Transportation

Travel form should be used! (no. 10)

All Referees, Technical Panel, Judges, Participants and Coaches are requested to announce to the organizing comitee as soon as possible but not later than 30th September 2009 all arrival information (flight number, date, time etc.) therefore the Travel form should be used!

The Airport is "Graz Thalerhof" which is about 25 minutes from Graz City Center.

The railway Station is "Graz Hauptbahnhof".

The organizing committee provides a shuttle bus upon arrival and departure for the teams at the airport / train station.

A transportation fee both ways including of € 20 / Person will be asked.

A Shuttle Service from the official Hotel to the Icerink will be provided by public transportation. The Tram stations are located directly in front of the Hotel and the Icerink-Complex. The Tram will run every 20 minutes, it takes about 7 minutes each way.

Graz-All-Day-Tram Tickets for the "Leo Scheu Memorial" and the "Icechallenge 2009" can be booked in advance for reduced price through the organizing comitee. Please use the Shuttle Form (no. 11)!

12 Liability

In according with rule 119 the organizing comitee accepts no liability for bodily and personal injury or for property loss or damage incurred by competitors and officials. Each ISU Member is expected to provide its own insurance protection. The Organizer will provide emergency medical services for all invited officials and competitors during the competition.

13 Preliminary Timetable

SUBJECT TO CHANGE!

The final schedule of all events, with all practice groups and sessions will be given upon arrival.

Wednesday 28 october	19:00	Draw Novice Single, Pairs, Ice Dance Draw Junior Single, Pairs, Ice Dance Draw Senior Ice Dance
Thursday 29 october	09:30	Compulsory Dance Novice, Juniors, Seniors
	11:30	Short Program Novice
	16:30	Original Dance Junior, Seniors
	18:30	Short Program Juniors
Friday 30 october	09:30	Pairs Short Program Novice, Juniors
	11:00	Free Dance Novice, Juniors
	13:00	Free Dance Seniors
	15:00	Free Program Novice
	20:30	Reception Awarding Ceremony, Draw
Saturday 31 october	10:30	Free Program Juniors
	16:00	Pairs Free Program Novice, Juniors
	17:00	Pairs Short Program Senior
	18:30	Short Program Seniors
Sunday 1 november	10:00	Pairs Free Program Seniors
	12:00	Free Program Seniors
	18:00	ICE GALA 2009

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The best four places skaters / couples in the final ranking of senior category will be asked to take part in the exhibition on sunday night.

Additional skaters / couples may be asked.

For those skaters / couples already finished before sunday accommodation will be provided.