



ISU-Competition for Ice Dance

Senior, Junior, Advanced and Basic Novice

Dortmund, Germany

November 4th – November 6th, 2016

Announcement / Invitation

organized by the

Eissport-Verband



e.V.

sanctioned by



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1. GENERAL

The NRW Trophy 2016 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2016, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, and the relevant ISU Communications.

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 fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3. b) for Seniors and paragraph 3. a) for Juniors and Rule 108, paragraph 3. c) for Novice.

Furthermore all participants must meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements of Rule 109, and ISU Communication 2030 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 2030 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.

The "NRW Trophy 2016" will be organized by the Eissportverband Nordrhein-Westfalen and is sanctioned by the Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V.

2. TECHNICAL DATA

Venue:

Eissportzentrum Westfalen, Strobelaallee 32, D-44139 Dortmund (an indoor ice-rink, heated, with the ice surface of 60 m x 30 m)

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Categories:

SENIOR Ice Dance

Short Dance: In accordance the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 709, and all pertinent ISU Communications.

Rhythms, required elements and guidelines are those listed in ISU Communication 1998 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec

Free Dance: In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710. The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communication 1998, 2003 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 seconds

JUNIOR Ice Dance

- Short Dance:** In accordance the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 709, and all pertinent ISU Communications.
Rhythms, required elements and guidelines are those listed in ISU Communication 1998 and subsequent updates.
Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec
- Free Dance:** In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710. The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communication 1998, 2003 and subsequent updates.
Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 seconds

ADVANCED NOVICE Ice Dance

Pattern Dance Technical Requirements for Advanced Novice competitions Ice Dance Two
(2) Pattern Dances are to be skated for Advanced Novice. In accordance with Rule 711 paragraph 1 and the Communication No. 2024 the Pattern Dances for the Season 2016/2017 are as follows:

Group 1: # 4 European Waltz # 20 Tango
Group 3: # 12 Kilian # 23 Blues

One group of two Pattern Dances shall be drawn before the first practice of the competition out of the two groups. Couples **shall** provide their own music for the European Waltz and Kilian (see ISU Communication 2024).

Free Dance Rule 710 shall apply (including that the music may be vocal).

A Well Balanced Free Dance program must contain

- Dance Lifts: not more than two (2) different Types of Short Lifts
- **One (1) Spin**, but not more **Note:** A Combination Spin is not permitted.
- **One (1) Straight Line Step Sequence (Midline or Diagonal) in Hold or Curved Step Sequence (Circular or Serpentine) in Hold**
The restrictions listed in ISU Communication 1998 and 2003 and subsequent updates of this ISU Communication apply.
- **One (1) Set of Synchronized Twizzles**
- One (1) Choreographic Element: Choreographic Spinning Movement or Choreographic Twizzling Movement (as described above)

Levels explanations: for Advance Novice Free Dance, in all Required Elements, 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.

Duration: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

Factors: in accordance with ISU Communication 2024, the factors of the Components are:

a) The factor of the Components of Pattern Dance is 0.7.

For events with two (2) Pattern Dances, the Total Score for each dance will be multiplied by a factor of 0.5 as per Rule 353, paragraph 1.b)

b) Free Dance 1,0.

BASIC NOVICE Ice Dance

Pattern Dance Technical Requirements for Basic Novice competitions Ice Dance
Two (2) Pattern Dances are to be skated for Basic Novice. In accordance with Rule 711 paragraph 1, the Pattern Dances for the Season 2016/2017 are as follows:

#2 Foxtrott #5 American Waltz

In accordance with Rule 707 paragraph 5 an ISU Communication 2024 Couples **shall** provide their own music for the Foxtrott.

Free Dance Rule 710 shall apply (including that the music may be vocal).
A Well Balanced Free Dance program must contain

- **Dance Lifts:** not more than one (1) Short Lift
- **One (1) Straight Line Step Sequence (Midline or Diagonal) in Hold or Curved**
 - **One (1) Straight Line Step Sequence (Midline or Diagonal) in Hold or Curved Step Sequence (Circular or Serpentine) in Hold**
The restrictions listed in ISU Communication 1998 and 2003 and subsequent updates of this ISU **Communication apply.**
- **One (1) Set of Synchronized Twizzles**
- **One (1) Choreographic Element: Choreographic Spinning Movement or Choreographic Twizzling Movement (as described below)**

The Choreographic Elements must be chosen from:

- **Choreographic Spinning Movement:** spinning movement performed after the required Dance Spin during which both partners perform at least 2 continuous rotations:
 - in any hold,
 - on one foot or two feet or one partner being elevated without being sustained, or a combination of the three,
 - on a common axis which may be moving.
- **Choreographic Twizzling Movement:** twizzling movement performed after the required Set of Twizzles composed of 2 parts.

The following requirements apply:

- for both parts: on one foot or two feet or a combination of both,
- for the first part: at least 2 continuous rotations performed simultaneously and both partners must travel (cannot be on the spot) (partners must be separate),

Levels explanations

For Basic Novice Free Dance, in all Required Elements, 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.

All Program Components are judged.

The factor of the Program Components is 1.0

Duration: 2:30 min, +/- 10 sec

Levels explanations

For Basic Novice Free Dance, in all Required Elements, 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.

- Factors: in accordance with ISU Communication 2024, the factors of the Components are:
- a) Pattern Dances For events with two (2) Pattern Dances, the Total Score for each dance will be multiplied by a factor of 0.5 as per Rule 353, paragraph 1.
 - b) Free Dance 1,0.

3. ENTRIES OF COMPETITORS

ISU Members may enter 3 Dance couple(s) per age category (Senior, Junior, Advanced and Basic Novice) and their substitutes using the official entry form. This limitation does not conflict with the entries of the organizer itself. The entries by name should reach the organizer not later than **October 8th, 2016**. Entries by fax or E-Mail are appreciated. The Organizer confirms the accepted Dance couples after the closing date for entries. There will be a maximum of 80 Ice Dance Couples accepted. Should the number of entries exceed 80 couples, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of competitors in respective categories.

The entry forms have to be used and must be sent to:

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Strobelallee 32, D - 44139 Dortmund, Germany

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Entries must be accompanied by the official "ISU Declaration Form" as per Rule 131. In case of competitors who are not full of age (under 18), such Declaration must be co-signed by at least one of the parents or other guardian at law. Each Entry Form and Declaration Form must be signed by an authorized ISU Member Representative such as President, General Secretary, Executive Director, CEO (Rule 104, paragraph 4).

For any cancellation after October 23th, 2016 the team leader of the federation will be asked to pay the entry fee regardless of the reason for cancellation. In case there is no participating team left a respective invoice will be sent to the Member Federation. Passports of the skaters, as well as ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation.

World Standing Points: In case the requirements as per ISU Communication 1629 are fulfilled, World Standing points will be awarded in the Senior Categories Ice Dance.

4. ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member is requested to nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge with the qualification of at least "International Judge or International Referee" for the event. Entries of judges are also expected to be mailed (recommended) and received at the organizer's address not later than **October 8th 2016**. Fax entries are also appreciated.

Should there be more judges entered than necessary for the competition, the organizer reserves the right to conduct a pre-draw of the panels of Judges. Judges not drawn will be informed accordingly in time before the competition.

5. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format, in accordance with Rules 343, paragraph 1. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for Short and Free Dance Program for Ice Dance must be listed for each competitor on the official Music Information Form and attached to the official Entry Form for competitors.

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

dance, free dance) must be recorded on a sperate disc. In addition couples must provide a back-up drive for each programm.

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

Together with the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet has to be completed precisely by each skater/couple in English using the terminology listed in the respective ISU Communication. **It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting Officials.**

6. PRACTICE

Official practice for competitors starts on Thursday, November 3rd 2016, at 06:00 p.m. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

7. INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in ISU Technical Rule Ice Dance 2016, Rule 352 and Rule 353 (Determination and publication of results) will be used. Also for the **Advanced Novice** competitions the marking of pattern Dances using key points will be used, see ISU Communication 2024.

8. ACCOMMODATION

The organizer covers the costs of accommodation and full board for one judge per country from November 4th, 2016 (starting with lunch) to November 7th, 2016 (ending with breakfast or after the Round Table Discussion, whichever is later). Additional judges need to cover their own costs.

9. TRANSPORT

All hotels are located near the ice rink so that no transportation will be necessary. The nearest airports to Dortmund are Dortmund-Airport and Duesseldorf International Airport. There is a direct train from Duesseldorf International Airport Station (to be reached by the Sky train) to Dortmund Main Station (approx. 1 ½ hours).

A special bus-service will also be provided between the Düsseldorf International Airport (not Duesseldorf-Weeze!) and Dortmund at certain times. Costs for this service will be € 30,00 per person one way. Only in very exceptional cases transport for single persons will be provided at the cost of the person concerned.

10. ACCREDITATION

All ISU Office Holders, ISU Event Officials, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff, one Coach (per Competitor) and one chaperone per Competitor taking part in the competition are requested to register at the "Ice Rink" upon arrival.

11. AWARDS

The first three placed couples in each event will be awarded with Medals or Cups, the other couples with Diplomas.

12. ENTRY FEES

Entry fees € 70,00 per couple. In case no judge has been entered by the respective Member Federation the entry fees for a couple amount to € 100,00. Payment by bank transfer must be made to: Eissport-Verband Nordrhein-Westfalen e.V., Strobelallee 32, D-444139 Dortmund

Bank Account : **Dortmunder Volksbank**

IBAN: DE 39441600146331275700

SWIFT: GENODEM1DOR

13. DRAW

November 4th, 2016, Ice Rink for all competitors

14. JUDGES MEETING

November 4th, 2016, Ice Rink. The Round Table Discussions are scheduled for Sunday, November 6th, 2016 after the competition.

15. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the NRW Trophy 2016, 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 means. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

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

16. INFORMATION

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