RIGA AMBER CUP 2027

Interclub Synchronized Skating Competition for Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, Basic Novice, Advanced Novice, Junior B, Senior B, Mixed Age and Adult Teams

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Riga, Latvia

ANNOUNCEMENT

Competition organized by the society “Latvijas sinhronas slidosanas attistibai”

1. EVENT DATA

Host and Organizer:	Biedriba "Latvijas sinhronas slidosanas attistibai" (Society "Development of Latvian Synchronized Skating") supported by its club "Amber"
Competition Rink:	XIAOMI ARENA – a modern indoor arena with an ice surface of 30 x 60 m. The Competition Rink has a capacity of 10 300 spectators.
Address:	Skanstes iela 21, Riga, Latvia https://xiaomi-arena.com/
Practice rink:	Daugavas ledus halle – an indoor ice rink with an ice surface of 30 x 60 m, air-conditioned and heated Augsiela 1, Riga, Latvia The distance between the competition rink and the practice rink is about 4 km.

The Riga Amber Cup 2027 is an International Interclub Synchronized Skating Competition for Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, Basic Novice, Advanced Novice, Junior B, Senior B, Mixed Age and Adult Teams.

2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

The Riga Amber Cup 2027 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution, ISU General Regulations, and Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Synchronized Skating, as well as all applicable ISU Communications.

Participation in the Riga Amber Cup 2027 is open to all teams who belong to an ISU Member and qualify with regard to eligibility according to CER Article 7.2, provided their ages fall within the limits specified and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Article 8 and ISU Communication 2526 or any update of this Communication.

3. TECHNICAL DATA

According to Rule 800, the following applies for all categories: a Synchronized Skating Team may include both Men and Women; each participating team may enter **up to four (4) alternate skaters** on the official Entry Form. Teams of a Member Federation may enter more than one category using different music and different Programs, with a minimum difference of 50% of the skaters. Only those skaters listed on the official Entry Form may skate in the competition.

All programs will be judged in accordance with ISU Communications 2779, 2791 and 2787 and any updates for the season 2026-2027. The Well Balanced Program for the categories Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile, and Basic Novice follows the requirements of the ISU Basic Novice category. The Well Balanced Program for the Adult category follows the Technical Requirements for ISU Adult Figure Skating Competitions for the season 2026-2027.

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SENIOR B

Free program of the category Senior B will be according to the rules for the Senior category. A Senior team shall consist of 12 - 16 skaters with a maximum of 4 alternates. Team members must have reached at least the age of seventeen (17) before July 1st, 2026. At least 80% of the Team must meet the age category. The rule of 20% / 80% applies to the total number of skaters involved.

Total	16	15	14	13	12
Minimum number of skaters who meet age criteria	13	12	11	10	10
Maximum number of skaters outside the age criteria	3	3	3	3	2

Free skating: 4 min (+/- 10 sec).

JUNIOR B

Free program of the category Junior B will be according to the rules for the Junior category. A Junior team shall consist of 12 - 16 skaters with a maximum of 4 alternates. Team members must have reached at least the age of thirteen (13) but not have reached the age of nineteen (19) before July 1st, 2026. At least 80% of the Team must meet the age category. The rule of 20% / 80% applies to the total number of skaters involved.

Total	16	15	14	13	12
Minimum number of skaters who meet age criteria	13	12	11	10	10
Maximum number of skaters outside the age criteria	3	3	3	3	2

Free skating: 3 min 30 sec (+/- 10 sec).

ADVANCED NOVICE

An Advanced Novice Team shall consist of 9 - 16 skaters with a maximum number of 4 (four) alternate skaters. All of them must have reached at least the age of ten (10) before July 1st, 2026, but not have reached the age of sixteen (16) before July 1st, 2026. In case of an injury or illness of a skater during the official practice or competition, the team will be permitted to skate with not less than 7 (seven) skaters. Free Skating: 3 min (+/- 10 sec). Program components factor: 2.67.

BASIC NOVICE

A Basic Novice Team shall consist of 9 - 16 skaters with a maximum number of 4 (four) alternate skaters. All of them must have reached the age of ten (10) and not have reached the age of sixteen (16) before July 1st, 2026. In case of an injury or illness of a skater during the official practice or competition, the team will be permitted to skate with not less than 7 (seven) skaters. Free Skating: 3 min (+/- 10 sec).

MIXED AGE

A Mixed Age Team shall consist of 8-16 skaters of any age. Free Skating: 3 min 30 sec (+/- 10 sec).

ADULTS

An Adult Team shall consist of 8-16 skaters. Team members must have reached the age of eighteen (18) before July 1st, 2026. At least 80% of the Team must meet the age category. The rule of 20% / 80% applies to the total number of skaters involved.

Total	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
Minimum number of skaters who meet age criteria	13	12	11	10	10	9	8	7	6
Maximum number of skaters outside the age criteria	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2

Free skating: 3 min (+/-10 sec).

JUVENILE — A Juvenile Team shall consist of 8-16 skaters. Team members must not have reached the age of thirteen (13) before July 1st, 2026. At least 80% of the Team must meet the age category. The rule of 20% / 80% applies to the total number of skaters involved.

Total	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
Minimum number of skaters who meet age criteria	13	12	11	10	10	9	8	7	6
Maximum number of skaters outside the age criteria	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2

Free Skating: 3 min (+/- 10 sec).

PRE-JUVENILE — A Pre-Juvenile Team shall consist of 8-16 skaters. Team members must not have reached the age of eleven (11) before July 1st, 2026. At least 80% of the Team must meet the age category. The rule of 20% / 80% applies to the total number of skaters involved.

Total	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
Minimum number of skaters who meet age criteria	13	12	11	10	10	9	8	7	6
Maximum number of skaters outside the age criteria	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2

Free Skating: 3 min (+/- 10 sec).

4. ENTRIES

Entries for competition may be submitted by club managers/coaches.

4.1. Entries of Teams

Entries in each category for the Riga Amber Cup 2027 must reach the Organizing Committee by **November 1, 2026**.

Entries will be closed when the maximum number of teams is reached.

Entry forms listing all competitors and substitutes must be submitted to the Organizing Committee of the Riga Amber Cup 2027 via the web application form available at www.rigaambercup.eu.

For more information, contact the OC: E-Mail: **rigaambercup@inbox.lv**

4.1.1. Preliminary entries

must reach the Organizing Committee no later than **October 1, 2026**. Entries should be submitted using the web application form available at https://www.rigaambercup.eu/rac2027-pre-entry

4.1.2. Entries

must reach the Organizing Committee no later than **November 1, 2026**. The late entry deadline is December 1, 2026. In this case, a late entry fee of 100 € will be added to the standard entry fee. Entries should be submitted using the web application form available at https://www.rigaambercup.eu/applications2027

Please send a digital team photo together with your entry to the OC email: rigaambercup@inbox.lv

Team Photos, Team Press Info, and Results may be published on the Internet. Each team taking part in the Riga Amber Cup 2027 acknowledges and consents to these terms.

4.1.3. Entry Fee

The entry fee for all categories is 800 € per team.
Entry fees are non-refundable in case of withdrawal for any reason.
Entry fees must be paid at the time of final entry (no later than November 1, 2026, or December 1, 2026, in case of late entry).

Please direct your payment to:
Bank: "SWEDBANK"
BIC (Swift): HABALV22 IBAN: LV44HABA0551039263273
Account Holder: LATVIJAS SINHRONAS SLIDOSANAS ATTISTIBAI BIEDRIBA
Reg. No. 40008229504
Address: Sencu iela 1-29, Riga, LV-1012

4.2. Entries of Official Team Delegations

Each team is entitled to five (5) additional accreditations for a Team Leader, Coach, Team Personnel, and Medical Personnel.

4.3. Officials

a) Entries of Judges

Each participating ISU Member may nominate one (1) to two (2) Judges. The official Judges' Nomination must be sent to the OC of the Riga Amber Cup 2027 no later than **November 20, 2026.**

b) Referees, Technical Controllers and Technical Specialists

will be nominated by the Organizing Committee based on the respective ISU lists of Referees, Technical Controllers and Technical Specialists for Synchronized Skating.

Travel and accommodation will be paid for the technical panel and judges invited by the Organizing Committee as well as the accommodation for the judges sent by the members.

The preliminary event schedule can be found at the end of this announcement.

5. MEALS, LODGING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

Travel expenses will be reimbursed for Technical Panel Officials (Technical Specialists, Technical Controllers and Data Replay Operators) and Referees only (economy airfare).
DROs, TSs, TCs, Referees, and Judges will be picked up from Riga Airport or the Riga Passenger Port if the OC receives travel information before November 20, 2026.
The organizer will provide and cover accommodation for invited Technical Panel Officials, Referees and nominated Judges from January 23 to January 25. The OC will also provide meals for the Technical Panel, the Referees, and the nominated Judges. Meals will be covered from January 23rd, starting with Dinner until January 25th, ending with Breakfast.
The rooms for the Technical Panel and nominated Judges will be reserved in the Official Hotel by the Organizing Committee upon receipt of the nomination.
Any extra expense incurred by any Official will be the responsibility of that person.

The Official Hotels are also open to teams. Please book hotels directly using code AMBER2027. More information: https://www.rigaambercup.eu/hotels2027.
All Competitors (Teams), Coaches, Team Managers, Team Leaders, and Physicians shall bear their own expenses.

6. PRACTICE

Official Practice will be scheduled on Sunday morning. A detailed schedule will be provided by January 10, 2027, depending on the number of entries.
If you come earlier and would like to have additional practice time, please fill out the Practice Ice Order Form (Form 7). Additional practice ice time can be booked in the practice rink only. The additional practice ice schedule will be compiled in the order the requests reach the Organizing Committee and can be checked with the Organizing Committee.

7. MUSIC

Music upload and submission: Program music must be submitted ONLY by email to: rigaambercup@inbox.lv **no later than December 1, 2026.**
The program music files MUST conform to the following specifications:

- Each program must be recorded as a single track in a separate file.
- All teams shall provide competition music of excellent quality in **MP3-file format in high quality**, 192 kbit/s or more.
- The titles, composers and orchestras of the music used for the Free Skating must be listed for each team on the official **Music Information Form** (Form 3), which must be submitted no later than December 1, 2026.
- Each team must ensure that the music has been cleared of all copyrights.

Accreditation can only be granted after the complete Music Information together with the music files has been provided.

8. REGISTRATION / ACCREDITATION

8.1. Accreditation office opening hours

Thursday	09:30 – 20:00, Competition Rink
Friday	09:30 – End of Competition, Competition Rink
Saturday	09:30 – End of Competition, Competition Rink

8.2. Information / Team boxes

Team boxes will be in the accreditation office in the competition rink. Information for the teams will be distributed to the team boxes.

8.3. Lost and Found

The accreditation office is also the place to pick up lost items in case they have been brought back to the Organizing Committee.

9. STARTING ORDER / DRAW

The starting order will be determined by electronic draw. The draw will take place on Thursday, the 21st of January 2027 and the starting order will be published no later than 23:59 on January 21st.

10. AWARDS

The award ceremony will take place right after the end of the competition. Trophies and medals will be awarded to the top three teams of each category.

11. ACCOMMODATION

The Organizing Committee has agreements with several hotels for special prices. Please check the website for details: https://www.rigaambercup.eu/hotels2027.

Transfer service will be provided to and from the Official Hotels only.

12. TRANSPORTATION

12.1. A shuttle service between the Official Hotels and the Competition Rink will be provided for Judges and Officials on Sunday free of charge.

12.2. A shuttle service between the Official Hotels and the Competition Rink can be provided for teams on request (please fill out the Team Travel and Transfer Form (Form 5) and contact the OC for details).

12.3. Teams may enter the premises of the ice rink with their own bus. The necessary permit will be provided upon accreditation together with a map indicating permissible parking spots. We kindly ask for your understanding that only marked places may be used as parking spots.

12.4. Transfers between Riga Airport, the Central Railway Station or the Riga Passenger Port and the Official Hotels can be arranged by filling out the Team Travel and Transfer Form (Form 5) and contacting the Organizing Committee.

12.5. There is also a public transportation bus No. 22 from Riga Airport to the city center. The journey takes about 40 min.

13. LIABILITY & INSURANCE

Per ISU Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each member participating in the Riga Amber Cup 2027 to provide health and accident insurance for their athletes, officials, and all other members of the Member's Teams. Such insurance must cover full medical attendance and the return to the country of origin of the ill or injured person.

The Organizing Committee of the Riga Amber Cup 2027 does not accept any responsibility or liability for bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred by Competitors or Officials.

However, there will be a Medical Team in the Competition Rink providing emergency medical services for all participants during the competitions and official practices free of charge.

14. MEDICAL INFORMATION

Each team manager should be able to give important medical information about each skater for use in case of an emergency or 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 (e.g. asthma),
- current medications,
- immunizations,
- blood type,
- use of glasses, contact lenses, dental appliances.

15. PUBLICITY WAIVER

Each individual and/or team waives 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 grants permission for such use in publicity before, during, or after the Riga Amber Cup 2027, in Riga, Latvia.

PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE – *subject to changes* – final schedule to be published after December 20, 2026.

Saturday, January 23rd, 2027

All day Additional Practice (Practice Rink)
All day Accreditation Office open (Xiaomi Arena)

Sunday, January 24th, 2027

Morning - **Official Practice**
10 min /Team – Pre-Juvenile (Free Skating in Starting Order)
10 min /Team – Juvenile (Free Skating in Starting Order)
10 min /Team – Basic Novice (Free Skating in Starting Order)
10 min /Team – Advanced Novice (Free Skating in Starting Order)
10 min /Team – Adults (Free Skating in Starting Order)
11 min /Team – Mixed Age (Free Skating in Starting Order)
11 min /Team – Junior B (Free Skating in Starting Order)
12 min /Team – Senior B (Free Skating in Starting Order)
Afternoon - **COMPETITION**
Pre-Juvenile Free Skating
Juvenile Free Skating
Basic Novice Free Skating
Advanced Novice Free Skating
Adults Free Skating
Mixed Age Free Skating
Junior B Free Skating
Senior B Free Skating
Victory Ceremony

Monday, January 25th, 2027

Departures

Summary of forms:

Form	Description	To be submitted by:
Form 0 - online	Preliminary Entry	October 1, 2026
Form 1	Official Entry	November 1, 2026
Form 2	Team Entry	November 1, 2026
Form 3	Music and Press Information	December 1, 2026
Form 4	Program Content	December 1, 2026
Form 5	Team travel and transfer	December 1, 2026
Form 6	Team meal reservation	December 1, 2026
Form 7	Practice Ice Order	December 1, 2026

For any questions or additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee.

We will be happy to help!

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