



SPEED SKATING HANDBOOK

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1. THE HISTORY OF SPEED SKATING IN FISU

The first international university sport competition of Speed Skating dates back to the 1951 World University Championship Cup in Poiana, Romania. The gold medallist of the event, Evgeni Grishin (USSR) became an Olympic champion in the 500 m and 1500 m events in 1956 and 1960. The sport appeared on the 10th World Winter University Games in 1953 in Vienna-Semmering, Austria, where the athletes of the USSR dominated on all distances. Only the 2nd place in the men's 500 m event was achieved by Doubek from Czechoslovakia. Speed Skating was included, initially only for men, in the programme of the Winter Universiade for the first time at the 5th edition in 1968 in Innsbruck, Austria. Since 1970, the competition has been open to both men and women.

In 2012, Speed Skating became part of the World University Championship programme and an optional sport of the Winter Universiade. The first Championship Speed Skating was held in 2012 in Zakopane, Poland. In December 2014, the second World University Championship was hosted by Almaty, Kazakhstan. In 2016, the Championship was hosted by Baselga di pine (ITA) and 2020 in Amsterdam (NED). The last edition took place in Lake Placid (USA) with 44 athletes.

The 2022 Championship Speed Skating will take place in Hamar (NOR) from 22th to 25th of February 2024.

2. STATISTICS

EDITION	YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY	COUNTRIES	MEN	WOMEN	ATHLETES	OFFICIALS	TOTAL
1	2012	POL	Zakopane	11	36	23	59	18	77
2	2014	KAZ	Almaty	12	40	37	77	25	102
3	2016	ITA	Baselga di Pine	13	36	25	61	27	88
4	2018	BLR	Minsk	14	49	30	79	31	110
5	2020	NED	Amsterdam	16	33	32	65	28	93
6	2022	USA	Lake Placid	9	25	19	44	21	65

3. SCHEDULE

ARRIVALS DAY -2	ARRIVALS DAY -1	OPENING DAY 0	COMPETITION DAY 1	COMPETITION DAY 2	COMPETITION DAY 3	COMPETITION DAY 4 & CLOSING	DEPARTURES
Official Training	Official Training Official Training	Official Training GTM* Draw Official Training Opening Ceremony	Official Training Official Warm-Up 3000m Ladies 5000m Men 1000m Ladies 1000m Men TLM** & Draw Official Training	Official Training Official Warm-Up 1500m Ladies 1500m Men TLM** & Draw Official Training	Official Training Official Warm Up 500m Ladies 500m Men TP Ladies TP Men TLM** & Draw	Official Warm Up Mixed Team Relay Mass Start Ladies Mass Start Men Closing Ceremony	

*GTM: General Technical Meeting

**TLM: Team Leaders Meeting

4. SPORT REGULATIONS (TECHNICAL REGULATIONS)

4.1. GENERAL TERMS

The Speed Skating events shall be organised in accordance with the Technical Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU). In any dispute the English text shall be regarded as authoritative.

The programme and duration of competitions shall be fixed by the FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee and the Championship ITC. In principle, the programme shall last four (4) days with an additional reserve day, in case of bad weather, may the event be organised outdoor. The Championship shall include the following events:

MEN	WOMEN
500m	500m
1000m	1000m
1500m	1500m
5000m	3000m
Mass Start	Mass Start
Team Pursuit	Team Pursuit
Mixed Team Relay	

Each country is authorised to enter a maximum of 24 athletes (12 men and 12 women) and 5 officials.

In each event, each country may enter the following number of athletes including one substitute (per event per gender):

- a) Individual events:
 - **500m, 1000m and 1500m:** maximum 5 athletes for each distance (per gender), but no more than 4 of those may start.
 - **3000m women and 5000m men:** maximum 4 athletes for each distance (per gender), but no more than 3 of those may start. A maximum of 32 athletes will be permitted in each event.
 - **Mass Start races over 16 laps:** maximum 3 athletes (per gender), but not more than 2 may start. If more than 24 athletes entered per gender the races to be organised with semi-finals and final. A maximum of 32 athletes will be permitted for event (per gender).
 - If necessary, the number of athletes may be reduced.
- b) Team events:
 - **Team Pursuit over 6 laps for women and over 8 laps for men:** maximum 8 teams (per gender) will be authorised to take part in the competition (up to 4 athletes in each team, 3 of whom should start). The qualification of the teams will be based on the ranks of the second-best athlete of the country concerned in the 3000m for women and the 5000m for men, respectively.
 - **Mixed Team Relay over 6 laps:** maximum 1 team per country comprised of maximum 4 athletes (2 women and 2 men) may be entered, but only 1 woman and 1 man can start.

At the first General Technical Meeting (day 0 in the Schedule), the Head of Delegation or his/her representative shall confirm and sign the official list of competitors accredited by the CIC. The lists of participants for each event of the Championship (including one substitute per event per gender if applicable) shall be also confirmed by the Heads of Delegations at that meeting. Final lists of entered participants to be drawn per each event should be validated through a special Final Confirmation Form (to be distributed at the event) not later than before the deadline stated in respective form and only in case if the country has any changes for respective event comparing to the initial confirmation of participants at the General Technical Meeting.

In case of withdrawal (WDR) of a participant after the draw took place, another special form shall be used (to be distributed at the event). If withdrawal occurred, the Head of Delegation shall communicate its clear details to the Referee immediately and accompany it with the WDR Form duly filled and signed. For individual events use of a substitute is only allowed in case of a medical reason for such a withdrawal. That shall be stated in respective WDR Form and verified by a medical representative at the event. The skater withdrawn from any individual event on a medical reason cannot take part in the following events of the Championship unless he/she has a medical allowance to do so (confirming in writing and duly signed that the health conditions of previously withdrawn skater are back to normal).

4.2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

Three months before the Championship, the Organising Committee has the right to collect 50% of the total cost of stay per athlete and official from participating countries.

All draw procedures shall correspond to the ISU Technical Rules Speed Skating for single distances championships.

4.3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Nomination

Referees, assistant referees and starters shall be appointed by FISU based on ISU recommendations. They shall be invited by the Organising Committee not less than three months before the start of the World University Championship.

Costs

All countries participating in the Speed Skating Championship shall bear a proportion of the costs of:

- 2 referees from the ISU Referee list (A);
- 2 assistant referees from the ISU Referees list (A) or ISU International Referees & Starters list (C);
- 2 starters from the ISU Starters list (B);
- 1 starter from the ISU International Referees & Starters list (C).

The total amount of costs shall be divided by the total number of participants and all participating countries shall pay their share in proportion to the number of their participants. The Organising Committee shall announce the exact sum at the latest one month before the beginning of the World University Championship.

Numbers of national technical officials and their qualifications

The number of national officials needed shall respect the ISU Rule 210.

The OC in cooperation with the National Sport Federation must provide a sufficient number of Judges or qualification required for all the races during the competition days.

5. SERVICES

The Organising Committee shall inform the participating countries through the bulletins and its website about the possible and potential services and their costs.

Wi-Fi shall be available for all delegations for free. Costs for a laundry services will be provided as soon as possible to assist with budgeting.

Technical Officials

Technical Officials (TO) Services is complex and must not be underestimated. The Sport functional area must set up an efficient team early in advance.

In coordination with other relevant functional areas, the Technical Officials Services team is responsible for:

- NTOs recruitment in coordination with the Competition Manager and NSF;
- support services such as visa, invitation letters, flight tickets and accreditation;
- managing and delivering TO clothing / uniforms / sport equipment when requested;
- procuring suitable accommodation for the period required;
- providing daily catering and transportation;
- ensuring that all TOs are properly qualified (in close cooperation with FISU);
- hosting Technical Officials' meetings;
- per diem and allowance payment.

6. COMPETITION VENUE

The Organising Committee shall present during the inspection visit the layout of the competition venue(s). The complete layout must be sent to FISU Championships Department and FISU TCC for approval. This layout should include all competition and training areas as well as the different areas, accesses and services allocated for each client group taking part in the competition or involved in its delivery. Along with that valid ice-rink demarcation survey completed by a certified measurement surveyor should also be provided for FISU verification.

7. EQUIPMENT

According to the ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Speed Skating and equipment listed in FISU Speed Skating Venue Minimum Requirements.

8. TRAINING SESSIONS

The training sessions schedule should be drawn up by the FISU Technical Committee Chair together with the Organising Committee Competition Manager and provided to the participating teams as early as possible to make the planning as smooth as possible.

9. COMPETITION PROGRAMME

The competition programme shall be approved by the FISU Technical Committee Chair during the inspection visit and published on the website as soon as approved.

10. SPECIFIC MEDICAL AND ANTI DOPING CONTROL REQUIEREMENTS

The venue medical plan shall be presented by the OC and approved by the FISU TCC during the inspection visit.

Doping Control

TESTING DAY(S)	NUMBER OF TESTS	ESA	GHRF
3	8	2	1

11. SPORT PRESENTATION

Sport presentation is the audio-visual presentation of a sport in each competition venue of a FISU World University Championship. Sport presentation has become a vital instrument of major sport events and is key to delivering the Championships sports successfully. It aims to attract, educate, and entertain live audiences at the competition sites and elevates the sport experience for all client groups. Sport presentation comprises elements such as video clips, sounds, announcements, Championship mascots, creation of fan teams, the involvement of cheerleaders and other innovative elements that increase the understanding of the sport and the

attractiveness of the competitions. It is complex and must be carefully planned to the second, as it can have a substantial impact on the operation of broadcasters and venue teams. Therefore, close collaboration and early communication with broadcasting, awarding ceremonies and the ICT is essential. Sport presentation planning should ground on one common creative theme that fits with the specific the Championship concept. Nonetheless, as every sport has its own unique characteristics, it is important that each sport presentation is tailored to the particular sport while still embracing the main theme. Due to its complexity, FISU suggests the OC to consult expert advice for assisting the OC in developing their sport presentation strategy in an early stage of the event lifecycle. Considering the importance of sport for the sport presentation planning, the OC is recommended to place sport presentation under the responsibility of the sport manager of the Organising Committee.

12. SPORT TIMELINE

DEADLINES	ACTIONS
Event -12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inspection Visit – Venue visit & equipment approval (FISU TCC) - Competition programme and venue medical plan approval (FISU TCC)
Event -6 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General entries (NUSFs)
Event -3 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quantitative entries (NUSFs) - 50% payment from the participating countries (NUSFs – OC) - ITO list (FISU - ISU)
Event -1 month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individual entries (NUSFs) - Event Handbook (OC - FISU TCC)
Event -1 day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Accreditation & teams' confirmation (NUSFs) - Referee meeting (ITOs - NTOs - FISU TCC - OC) - General Technical Meeting (NUSFs - OC - FISU)
EVENT	
Event +1 month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Final report to FISU

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