

Announcement of / Invitation for the

Olympic Hopes

International Competition in Short Track Speed Skating

Budapest, Hungary

September 25-27, 2020



ANNOUNCEMENT

1. **Organizer of the competition:** the Hungarian National Skating Federation (HNSF)

The organizer has the honour of inviting you to take part in the Olympic Hopes International Competition in Short Track Speed Skating.

The HNSF reserves the right to change the date, location, and program of the competition.

When submitting an entry all competitors acknowledge that due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation and public health issues the HNSF can only host the competition in accordance with the effective medical and government regulations and has the solemn right to cancel the competition at any time or to host it between closed doors with a limited number of competitors and no spectators. The competitors also acknowledge that in case laws forbid it the HNSF is unable to hold the competition. Furthermore, in case the competition cannot take place due to legal restrictions or public health issues the HNSF bears no responsibility for any damage resulting from the cancellation and thus no claims can be made towards the HNSF. The HNSF is not obliged to assign a new date for the competition if it is cancelled because of the above-mentioned reasons. The competitors acknowledge that upon cancellation of the competition they do not have the right to claim back the already paid entry fee as the HNSF had various costs concerning the competition.

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2. **Location:** Practice Rink, Budapest

The competition will be held in the covered Practice Rink with an indoor ice rink measuring 30x60 metres and a movable padding system. The compass of the track is 111.12 metres with curves of 8 metres as per the ISU Rules. There will be seven (7) tracks with a displacement of 0,7 metre each, while the finish line for all distances is the same and only the starting place of distances 500 metres and 1500 metres will be changed.

3. **Date:** September 25-27, 2020

4. **Guiding rules:**

The competition will be carried out according to the International Skating Union's (ISU) General Regulations 2018 and the relevant Communications.

5. **Participation:**

- only registered competitors of ISU Members and affiliated clubs are allowed to participate, entries can be made only through the respective members
- only those competitors who have submitted their entries and paid the entry fee by the given deadline are allowed to participate

Please indicate your intention of participation as soon as possible in order to enable us to prepare the competition as well as possible.

6. Technicalities:

- categories, age groups (according to Rule 108)

Senior	born between	01.07.1997	-	30.06.2001
Junior A	born between	01.07.2001	-	30.06.2003
Junior B	born between	01.07.2003	-	30.06.2005
Junior C	born between	01.07.2005	-	30.06.2007
Junior D	born between	01.07.2007	-	30.06.2009
Junior E	born between	01.07.2009	-	30.06.2011
Junior F	born between	01.07.2011	-	30.06.2013

- distances

INDIVIDUAL:

Senior	1500 m	500 m	1000 m
Junior A	1500 m	500 m	1000 m
Junior B	1500 m	500 m	1000 m
Junior C	1500 m	500 m	1000 m
Junior D	1000 m	500 m	777 m
Junior E	777 m	333 m	500 m
Junior F	500 m	222 m	333 m

RELAY:

Ladies	3000 m	Senior, Junior A+B	4 skaters
	2000 m	Junior C+D	3 skaters
Men	3000 m	Senior, Junior A+B	4 skaters
	2000 m	Junior C+D	3 skaters
Mixed Gender	2000 m	Senior, Junior A+B	4 skaters (2 ladies, 2 men)

- relay entries: each ISU Member and/or their Clubs have the right to enter one team per category. Relay members must have participated in the individual events.

Please take into account that relay races are optional for Junior category "C" and "D", in case there is a high number of individual races, relay races may be skipped!

7. Conditions of Contest

- the individual competition is an All-Round competition. All Final System is used as qualification procedure. The make-up of races will be made according to Rule 296. Final points (34-21-13-8-5-3-2-1) will be awarded in the respective Finals considering Racing Rule 295 § 5.

- 8. **Entries:** by submitting an entry the competitors clearly agree to all terms set in this Announcement.

- Preliminary Entries must reach the OC by September 03 at the latest!

- the Final Entry must be electronically (www.shorttracklive.info) entered not later than September 18 and should include the following:
 - * the title of the competition
 - * the name of the Club and ISU Member making the entry
 - * the number of athletes in each category
 - * the number of coaches and team leaders
 - * the first (given) name and surname of the competitor(s)
 - * the date of birth of the competitor(s)
 - * the date and time of arrival and departure of the competitor(s) and those accompanying them
 - * the financial statement of the respective Club/ISU Member that all occurring costs will be covered by them

If you have further questions on this subject (username, password etc.), please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Hermann Filipic, e-mail: hermann@filipic1.at

- the **entry fee** is 15,- EUR/person, cash payment can only be made until the Technical Meeting and in accordance with the opening times of the HNSF office.

bank details bank account name: MOKSZ
 name of the bank: MKB Bank Zrt.
 bank swift code: MKKBHUHB
 IBAN account number: HU94 10300002-50100124-21004884

- the entry fee must be paid via bank transfer until September 23 or in cash before the Technical Meeting at the latest. Please note that **helmet covers and transponders will only be handed over** at the Technical Meeting **if payment is fulfilled!**
- the **deposit** for helmet covers and transponders is 50,- EUR/team
- cancellation is only accepted by the HNSF in case of an injury or illness – strictly supported by medical certificate, in which case the amount of entry fee will be refunded

9. Payment:

Accepted payment methods: cash, bank transfer (only in advance), credit card (special info below)

Credit card payment:

Accepted credit cards: Visa, Visa Electron, V Pay, Mastercard, Maestro. Please note that American Express is not accepted. In case of credit card payment, the OC will charge **+4%** for the occurring **banking fees**.

- ## 10. Equipment:
- only that equipment which are in accordance with the ISU Rules can be used in the competitions; this will be checked in the Heat Box before the competitors enter the ice
- compulsory rounding of the corners of the blades
 - helmet
 - cut proof gloves

11. Awards:

The first three placed competitors of each distance in each category receive a medal immediately after the respective final on ice. The first three placed competitors of the individual all-round competition, and the first three placed relay teams in each category will be awarded with medals respectively at the end of the competition.

12. Accommodation:

All meals and lodging expenses are to be paid by the participating members. The OC recommends hotels nearby the Ice Rink, listed below, the below rates are available in limited numbers and only guaranteed until September 10, 2020. **Reservations should be made through the Organizing Committee.**

a. Dominik Panzió

address: Cházár András street 3., Budapest, H-1146

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Single room: 45 € / room / night including full board

Double room: 40 € / person / night including full board

Triple room: 38 € / person / night including full board

The rates include cold buffet breakfast at the hotel, 2-course lunch at the Ice Rink and 2-course dinner at the hotel.

This rate is only available in case of booking through the Organizing Committee and the rooms are available in limited numbers.

Please note that the bathroom is not in the room, but in the corridor and is used by the guests staying in the hotel. The common bathroom can be locked when in use.

b. Hotel Lions Garden

address: Cházár András street 4., Budapest, H-1146

tel.: +36 1 273 2070

e-mail: info@lions-garden.com

Double room: 50 € / person / night including full board

Triple room: 50 € / person / night including full board

The rates include buffet breakfast at the hotel, 2-course lunch at the Ice Rink and 2-course dinner at the hotel.

This rate is only available in case of booking through the Organizing Committee and the rooms are available **in limited numbers**, especially for 24th September. From 25th September more rooms are available.

13. Lunch: at the ice rink

It is possible to order warm lunch beforehand at the ice rink for all competition days. The price is 10 Euros / person / meal.

14. Citizenship / Residence Requirements and Clearance Procedure

In accordance with Rule 109 of ISU Regulations and the current ISU communication, 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.

15. Results

All results of the competition series will be published on the website as follows:
www.shorttracklive.info

16. Miscellaneous

- each competitor participates in the competition at his/her own risk and insurance; the ISU, the HNSF and the OC do not take responsibility for or liability with respect to any injury or property damage incurred in connection with the competition
- by entering all participants accept and agree that they might be subject to recording (audio and picture), and might appear in the media content created about the competition
- by entering all participants accept that personal data are collected by the Organizing Committee (OC) and such data are stored and used by the OC, and when necessary, third parties, for the purposes only of, and to the extent necessary only in relation to facilitate their participation in the competition; personal data may include but will not be limited to full legal name as per national identity documents, address, date of birth, nationality, sex
- the OC provides medical service (ambulance) during the competition

17. Preliminary program / schedule: it is subject to change

day	event	time
September 24, (Thursday)	Technical Meeting	20.00
	training	18.00-18.30 (E-F)
	training	18.40-19.10 (C-D)
	training	19.20-19:50 (B-A-Sen)
September 25, (Friday)	warm up	08.00-08.20 (E-F)
	warm up	08.20-08.40 (D)
	competitions	09.00-13.00 (F-D)
	warm up	13.15-13.45 (C-B-A-Sen)
	competitions	14.00-21.00 (C-B-A-Sen)
September 26, (Saturday)	warm up	08.00-08.20 (E-F)
	warm up	08.20-08.40 (D)
	competitions	09.00-13.00 (F-D)
	warm up	13.15-13.45 (C-B-A-Sen)
	competitions	14.00-21.00 (C-B-A-Sen)
September 27, (Sunday)	warm up	08.00-08.50 (ALL)
	competitions	09.00-15.00
	Award Ceremony	15.30

Budapest, August 15, 2020

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Hungarian COVID rules valid between 01-30 September 2020

update 5th September

A statement was issued on 31st August by the Hungarian Government that the borders of Hungary are closed as of 1st September. However, some exceptions were made, please find below a citation of the statement, that is only a part of the whole regulation, valid for non-Hungarian citizens intending to participate at an international competition in Hungary.

Provisions concerning non-Hungarian citizens:

The Provision states that in passenger traffic non-Hungarian citizens cannot enter the territory of Hungary, unless exception is determined by law or government regulation.

Such exceptional case is when the person in question intends to travel to Hungary in order to participate at a sports/cultural/ecclesiastic international event of paramount importance.

It is now not necessary to inform the police, it is enough to have the official invitation letter when entering Hungary. (as per paragraph 12)

A non-Hungarian citizen, who

- a) is a participant – not a spectator – of an international sports event held in Hungary,**
- b) possesses an invitation letter (addressed to his/her name) issued by the official organizer of the international sports event held in Hungary,**
- c) arrives by the invitation of a Hungarian sports organization or a national sports federation and**

ca) is a competitor who has a competition license,

cb) is a sports professional,

cc) is a person taking part in the implementation of the sports event

can enter the territory of Hungary if he/she has one negative (at the time of taking the test the test could not identify the CoV-2 coronavirus in his/her system) SARS-CoV-2 PCR test that were taken maximum three days prior the entrance and he/she can certify it with a document in Hungarian or English.

Besides the above-mentioned exceptions that make it possible for non-Hungarian citizens to participate at sport competitions, the Hungarian National Federation is willing to help officials invited by the HNSF to participate at the event as a member of the technical panel. In case the mentioned PCR test are at a charge at their country, the HNSF will cover the cost of these tests if a proper invoice issued for the HNSF is provided.

For athletes and other officials including judges entered by their National Federation the cost of the PCR tests are at their own charge.

The HNSF is ready to issue the necessary invitation for all participants of the event.

Should there be any restrictions or required PCR tests for the participants returning to their home country after the competition, the HNSF is taking no financial responsibility.

Budapest, 10th September 2020

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