

SOFIA TROPHY 2021

Sofia, Bulgaria

February 26-March 3, 2021



ANNOUNCEMENT

BULGARIAN SKATING FEDERATION
and
FIGURE SKATING CLUB DENKOVA-STAVISKI
Invites you to attend the

SOFIA TROPHY

Sofia, Bulgaria
February 26-March 3, 2021

INTERNATIONAL FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION
in Single skating for
Seniors, Juniors and Advanced Novices



Please note:

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel or postpone the “Sofia Trophy 2021” if due to the Coronavirus (Covid-19) the decision or recommendation of the national/local Government will not agree to conduct such an event or if the travel restrictions into and out of Bulgaria will block the Teams for an unexpected period of time.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION:

The **SOFIA TROPHY** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2018, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2018, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **SOFIA TROPHY 2021** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3 and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 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.

2. TECHNICAL DATA:

2.1 PLACE OF THE EVENT:

Winter Sports Palace – Studentski grad District, Academician Boric Stefanov Str., Sofia, Bulgaria (an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 30 x 60 m, air-conditioned and heated).

2.2 CATEGORIES:

SENIOR LADIES & MEN

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2018 and respective ISU Communications.

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec, +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 4 min 00 sec, +/- 10 sec

JUNIOR LADIES & MEN

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2018 and respective ISU Communications.

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec, +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

ADVANCED NOVICE GIRLS & BOYS

Age and technical requirements are according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2018, ISU Communication 2328 and all respective ISU Communications.

Short Program: 2 min 20 sec, +/-10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min +/-10 sec

3. **ENTRIES:**

All ISU members and clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with ISU, are invited to take part at the competition.

Competitors from categories Senior, Junior and Advanced Novice must be entered through their Member Federation.

In case of too many entries, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants.

The entries for the competition must be done via web portal – www.europeancriterium.eu. Before entry procedure a representative of each federation/club needs to apply for a new account on www.europeancriterium.eu/Account/Register.

Entries must reach the Event Organizer not later than February 8, 2021

Program Content Sheet and additional forms can be downloaded from ISU website or from the official website of the competition: <http://sofia-trophy.clubdenkovastaviski.com>.

The organizer will not cover any expenses for competitors, team leaders, coaches, or chaperons.

4. **CANCELLATION:**

Cancellation of the competitor entry must be done till **February 18, 2021**. For any latter cancellation, the team leader of respective Federation or Club will be asked to pay the entry fee.

5. **JUDGES:**

Each participating ISU member may nominate one (1) International or ISU Judge. The nomination must be done via web portal – www.europeancriterium.eu, not later than **February 8, 2021**.

The Panels will be drawn immediately after the closing of entries. The members concerned will be notified of the result of the draw.

Each panel of Judges in Seniors, Juniors and Advanced Novices categories will consist of 5 Judges.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators and confirmed Judges at **Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia*******, beginning with dinner on Friday, February 26, 2021 until lunch on Wednesday, March 3, 2021.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for travel expenses only for Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators.

6. **ENTRY FEE:**

Seniors – 60 € per skater.

Juniors and Advanced Novices – 50 € per skater.

Payment shall be made by bank transfer or on the spot at the office of the Organizing Committee in the Winter Sports Palace during the accreditation.

Bank account:

INVESTBANK BULGARIA

IBAN: BG82IORT73711400332500

BIC: IORTBGSF

Bank holder: Club "Denkova-Staviski"

Please fill in the name and discipline of the skater, and Club or Federation in the transfer details!

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason.

7. EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROPHY:

SOPIA TROPHY 2021 is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2020/21 for Juniors, Advanced Novices, and younger categories. Results of the Teams will count for competition of International Trophy of Figure Skating European Criterium. Individual points are automatically calculated for all skaters in every category and those are valid in the European Criterium Tournament for the same category. The age requirements and the special regulation for the European Criterium Trophy are published on the website of the EC: www.europeancriterium.eu.

8. CALCULATION OF THE RESULTS:

Results for all categories will be calculated using the new ISU Judging System.

The results and any additional information for the event will be published on the websites www.europeancriterium.eu and <http://sofia-trophy.clubdenkovastaviski.com>.

9. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS AND PRIZES:

The three best placed Skaters in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medallists. All skaters will receive a diploma.

10. MUSIC:

Music will be reproduced on Compact Disc – CD. 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 program, free skating) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition, competitors/couples must provide a back-up drive for each program.

11. LIABILITY:

According to ISU regulations, the Event Organizer accepts no liability for bodily harm, personal injury and loss of property or damages incurred by any competitor(s) or official(s).

12. ACCREDITATION:

The accreditation will start on Friday, February 26, 2021 at 16:00h in the office of the Organizing Committee in Winter Sports Palace.

13. DRAW:

The opening draw for the order of skating will be held on Friday, February 26, 2021.

The exact place and time will be published in the official detailed schedule.

Starting order for the free skating of categories Advanced Novices, Juniors and Seniors will be in reverse order of the results of the short program.

14. ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:

Rates for additional practice hours are as follow:

50-min private practice – 100 €

50-min open practice together with another teams – 15 € per skater.

15. INFORMATION:

For additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

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16.ACCOMMODATION:

Official hotels of the event:

For Officials and teams:

Grand Hotel MILLENNIUM SOFIA****, 89B, Vitosha Blvd., 1463 Sofia, Bulgaria.

Special Event prices: Single room – 50 €, Double room – 62 €, Apartment for 3 persons – 90 €, Apartment for 4 persons – 109 €

The rates are per night including breakfast, wireless internet, fitness and free parking.



Point A – **Grand Hotel MILLENNIUM SOFIA**

Point B – **Winter Sports Palace**

Distance between Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia and Winter Sports Palace is 5.8 km.

Distance time by public transport – around 40 minutes: 12 minutes' walk to the stop Hilton Hotel of Bus line No 94, 12 stops to Winter Sports Palace;

Distance time by taxi – around 10 minutes.

Supported By:



For teams:

APARTMENTS for rent, next to the Winter Sports Palace – Academician Boris Stefanov Str., Sofia. The apartments are for 2, 3 and 4 people. They have a separate kitchen, refrigerator, washing machine, air conditioning, internet, cable / satellite TV. The building has a 24-hour supermarket. **Special Event prices:** Bed in apartment – € 19. The rates are per night.



The room reservations for all team members must be done through the Organizing Committee in order to be provided the special room rates

17. TRANSPORTATION:

Organizing Committee will provide transportation from/to Sofia Airport and Sofia Central Railway station to official hotels.

The transportation fee is 15 € per person/one way.

Competition Provisional Schedule – subject to change

Friday – 26.02.2021

Official practices
Draw – Advanced Novice, Juniors, Seniors

Saturday – 27.02.2021

Official practices
Judges meeting and draw

Competitions:

Advanced Novices – Short Program
Juniors – Short Program
Seniors – Short Program

Sunday – 28.02.2021

Official practices

Competitions:

Advanced Novices – Free Skating
Juniors – Free Skating
Seniors – Free Skating

Prize giving ceremony – Advanced Novices, Juniors, Seniors

Round Table Discussion – Advanced Novices, Juniors, Seniors

**THE OFFICIAL DETAILED AND FINAL SCHEDULE OF THE EVENT WILL BE PUBLISHED AFTER THE
REGISTRATION OF ALL ENTRIES**

***Respectfully Yours and Best Skating Regards,
Organizing Committee of the Sofia Trophy,
Sofia, Bulgaria***