

SOFIA TROPHY 2023

Sofia, Bulgaria

03-07 February 2023



ANNOUNCEMENT

FIGURE SKATING CLUB DENKOVA-STAVISKI

and

BULGARIAN SKATING FEDERATION

Invites you to attend the

SOFIA TROPHY

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INTERCLUB FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION

for Advanced, Intermediate and Basic Novice, Cubs and Chicks



Please note:

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel or postpone the “Sofia Trophy 2023” 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.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION:

The **SOFIA TROPHY 2023** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2022, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2022, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **SOFIA TROPHY 2023** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify regarding eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3.

Passports of all Skaters must to 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:

ADVANCED NOVICE GIRLS & BOYS

Age and technical requirements are according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2022, ISU Communication 2489 and all respective ISU Communications.

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

Free Skating: 3 min +/-10 sec

INTERMEDIATE NOVICE GIRLS & BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2007 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022, ISU Communication 2489 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2009 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022, ISU Communication 2489 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2010 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022, ISU Communication 2489 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE III. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2011 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022, ISU Communication **2396** and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2009 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022, ISU Communication 2489 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

CUBS I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2012 – 30.6.2013

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CUBS II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2013 – 30.6.2014

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CUBS BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2012 – 30.6.2014

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2014 – 30.6.2015

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2015 and younger.

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2014 and younger

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

A well-balanced CHICKS and CUBS Free Skating Program must contain:

a) Maximum of 4 jump elements one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or one (1) jump combination and one (1) jump sequence. Jump combinations and the jump sequence consist of two (2) jumps. In the jump sequence the second jump must be an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of the first jump in to the take- off curve of the Axel jump.

One full revolution on the ice between the jumps (free foot can touch the ice, but without weight transfer) keeps the element in the frame of the definition of a jump sequence. Jumps executed in a jump sequence receive their full value.

No triple and quadruple jumps are allowed.

Only one single jump and one double jump (including Double Axel) can be repeated once.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination and one must be a spin with no change of position.

The spin combination with a change of foot and a minimum of eight (8) revolutions or without a change of foot with a minimum of six (6) revolutions.

The spin in one position with a change of foot minimum of eight (8) revolutions or spin in one position without change of foot minimum of six (6) revolutions.

In both spins flying entries are allowed.

c) There must be a maximum of one (1) step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface.

Level explanation: For CHICKS and CUBS, in all elements that are subject to Levels, 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.

The program components will be judged only according to the following criteria:

- Composition
- Presentation
- Skating Skills

The factors for the program components are 1.67.

The same ISU rules on Judging, refereeing and work of the Technical Panel will be applied as it is in junior and senior international competitions.

3. ENTRIES:

All clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federation, are invited to take part at the competition.

Entries for Novice and younger categories will be accepted from Figure Skating Federations or clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations.

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.

Together with online entries a filled Program Content Sheet for each skater must be sent to the following e-mail: sofiatrophy@bsf.bg.

Entries must reach the Event Organizer not later than January 20, 2023

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 **January 27, 2023**. 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 **January 20, 2023**.

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 will consist of minimum 3 Judges. Panel of Judges in Advanced Novice category 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 **Vitosha Park Hotel******, beginning with dinner on Thursday, February 02, 2023, until lunch on Wednesday, February 08, 2023.

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

6. ENTRY FEE:

When payment is made by bank transfer before the deadline, entry fee is:

- Advanced Novice – **€ 85 per skater**.
- Intermediate Novice, Basic Novice, Cubs and Chicks – **€ 70 per skater**.

Bank account:

INVESTBANK BULGARIA

IBAN: BG82IORT73711400332500

BIC: IORTBGSF

Bank holder: Club "Denkova-Staviski"

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

When payment is made after the deadline or on spot during the accreditation, entry fee is:

- Advanced Novice – **€ 100 per skater**.
- Intermediate Novice, Basic Novice, Cubs and Chicks – **€ 85 per skater**.

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason after the cancellation date.

7. EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROPHY:

SOFIA TROPHY 2023 is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2022/2023 for Juniors, Advanced Novice, 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.clubdenkovstaviski.com>.

9. MUSIC:

The participating member is responsible for submitting the Competitor's music after registration data is sent and confirmed.

When competitor's application is sent it goes to status "pending". After the application is confirmed, it receives an option to attach the appropriate music file with program of the competitor. When the music file is attached to application the status goes to "active" and the competitor is included in the official competitors list of the selected competition.

Mandatory music file format is ".mp3".

The representatives of clubs or National Figure Skating Federations have a possibility to replace the music files of their competitors, three days before the start of the competition.

Advanced novice, Juniors and Seniors must attach two music files to receive an "active" status of competitor's application (Short program and Free Skating).

Competitors must have a copy of their music mp3 files on USB stick or any external USB drive.

10.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).

11.ACCREDITATION:

The accreditation will start on **Thursday, February 02, 2023, at 15:00h** in the office of the Organizing Committee in Winter Sports Palace.

Operating hours in competition days will be from **8:00h to 20:00h**.

12.DRAW:

The draw for order of skating will be held electronically on Saturday, February 4, 2023, 19:00 h., in the presence of the referee and will be published on website of the competition.

Starting order for the free skating of category Advanced Novice will be in reverse order of the results in short program.

13.ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:

Rates for additional practice hours are as follow:

50-min private practice – 130 €.

50-min open practice together with another teams – 25 € per skater.

14.INFORMATION:

For additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

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15.ACCOMMODATION:

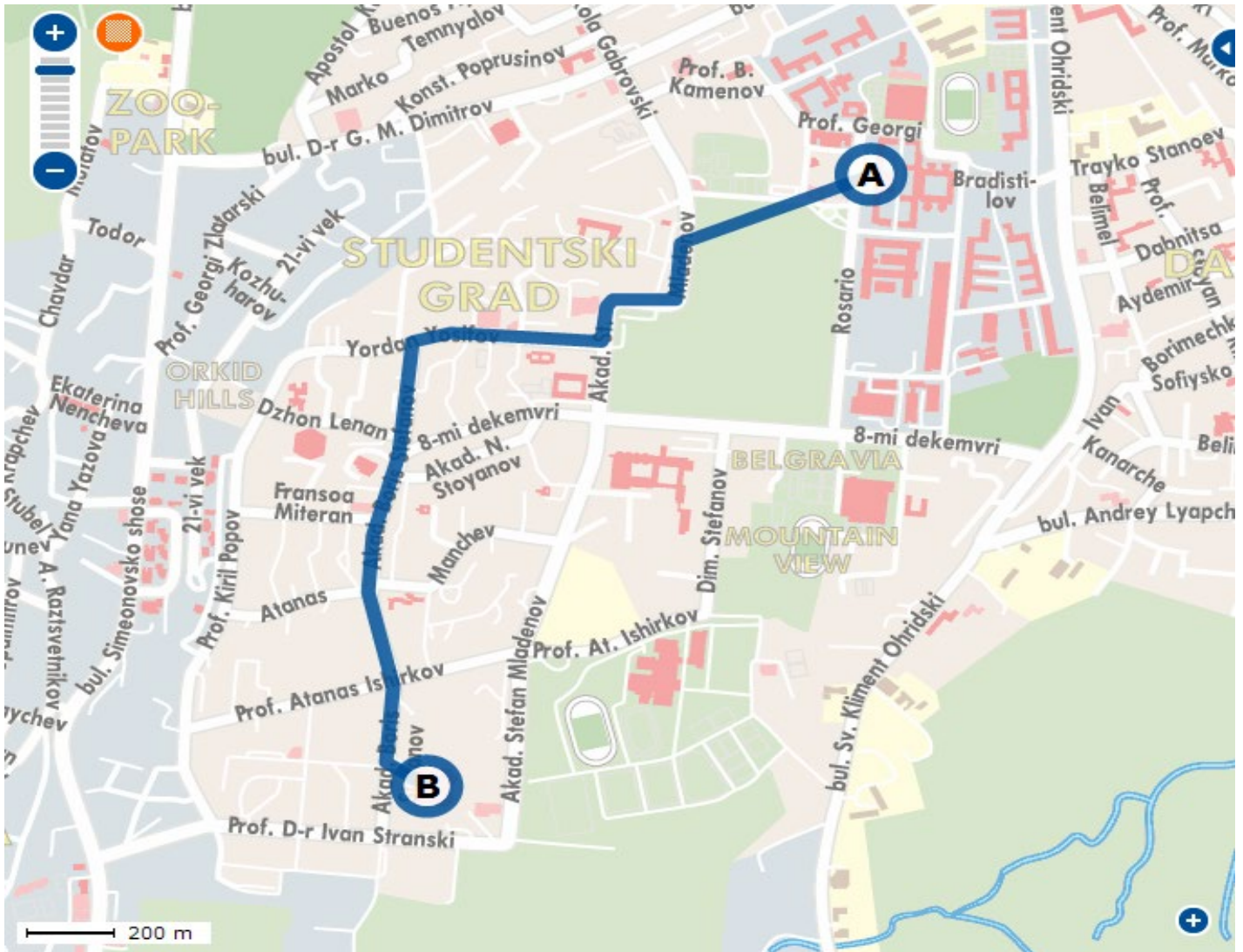
Official hotels of the event:

For teams:

VITOSHA Park Hotel****, 1 Rosario Street, Sofia, Bulgaria.

Special Event prices: Single room – 58 €, Double room – 70 €

The rates are per night including breakfast, internet, swimming pool and fitness.



Point A - **VITOSHA Park Hotel**

Point B - **Winter Sports Palace**

Distance time by bus – around 10 minutes, Bus line No 94, 5th bus stop from the hotel.

Distance time by walk – around 20 minutes.

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

16.TRANSPORTATION:

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

The transportation fee is 25 € per person/one way.

Competition Provisional Schedule – subject to change

Sunday – 05.02.2023

Official practices

Competitions:

Chicks – Free Skating

Intermediate Novice – Free Skating

Advance Novice Boys – Short program

Advance Novice Girls – Short program

Prize giving ceremony – Chicks, Intermediate Novice

Monday – 06.02.2023

Official practices

Competitions:

Cubs – Free Skating

Advance Novice Boys – Free Skating

Advance Novice Girls – Free Skating

Prize giving ceremony – Cubs, Advanced Novice

Tuesday – 07.02.2023

Official practices

Competitions:

Basic Novice – Free Skating

Prize giving ceremony – Basic Novice

**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*