SOFIA TROPHY 2024

Sofia, Bulgaria 30 January-04 February 2024



<u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>



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

SOFIA TROPHY

Sofia, Bulgaria 30 January-04 February 2024

INTERCLUB FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION for Advanced, Intermediate and Basic Novice,

Cubs and Chicks



1. **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The **SOFIA TROPHY 2024** 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 2024** is open for 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 Boris 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 2562 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: 1.7.2008 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022,

ISU Communication 2562 and all respective ISU Communications.

Free Skating: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

BASIC NOVICE I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2010 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022,

ISU Communication 2562 and all respective ISU Communications.

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

BASIC NOVICE II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2011 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022,

ISU Communication 2562 and all respective ISU Communications.

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

BASIC NOVICE III. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2012 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022,

ISU Communication 2562 and all respective ISU Communications.

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



BASIC NOVICE BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2010 and younger

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022,

ISU Communication 2562 and all respective ISU Communications.

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

CUBS I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2013 – 30.6.2014

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CUBS II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2014 – 30.6.2015

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CUBS BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2013 – 30.6.2015

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS I. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2015 – 30.6.2016

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS II. GIRLS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2016 and younger.

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

CHICKS BOYS

Age requirements: Skaters born: 1.7.2015 and younger

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

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

a) Maximum of four (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 into 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 CUBS and CHICKS, 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 following Program Components are judged:

- 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 12, 2024

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 <u>January 22, 2024</u>. 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 – <u>www.europeancriterium.eu</u>, not later than <u>January 12, 2024</u>.

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 **Hotel ZOO******, beginning with dinner on Thursday, January 30, 2024, until lunch on Wednesday, February 04, 2024.

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 € 90 per skater.

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

7. <u>EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROP</u>HY:

SOFIA TROPHY 2024 is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2023/2024 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. <u>CALCULATION OF THE RESULTS:</u>

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. *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 <u>Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at 15:00 h.</u> in the office of the Organizing Committee in Winter Sports Palace.

Operating hours in competition days will be from 8:00h to 19:00 h.

12.DRAW:

The draw for order of skating will be held electronically on Friday, January 26, 2024, 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 – 135 €.

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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phone: +359 2 988 75 71 fax: +359 2 987 77 71 e-mail: sofiatrophy@bsf.bg



15.ACCOMMODATION:

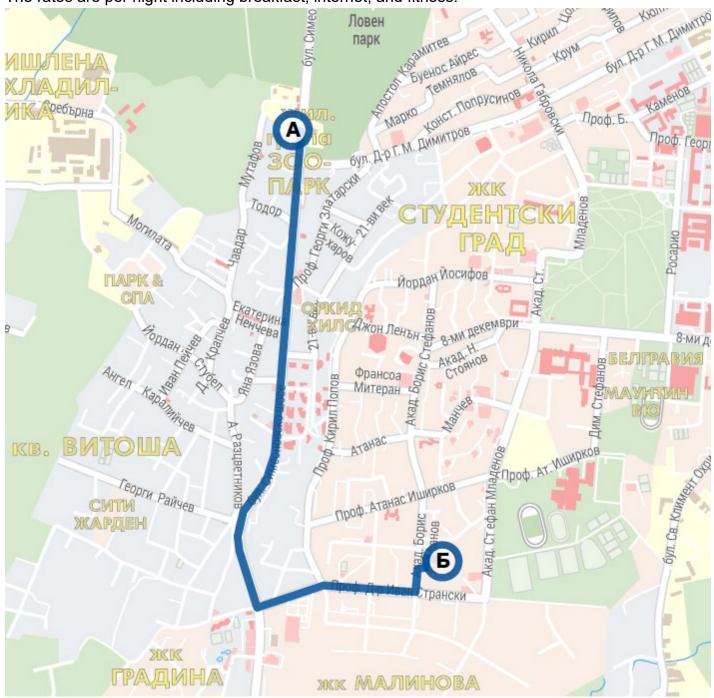
Official hotel of the event:

Hotel ZOO Sofia****, 6, Simeonovsko shose, blvd., 1700 Sofia, Bulgaria

Website - https://hotelzoosofia.com

Special Event prices: Single room - € 74, Double room - € 84, Triple room (2 p + 1 kid) - € 108.

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



Point A – Hotel ZOO Sofia

Point B – Winter Sports Palace

Distance time by bus – around 20 minutes, Bus line No 102.

Distance time by car – around 5-7 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

Tuesday - 30.01.2024

Arrival of the teams

Official practices

<u>Wednesday - 31.01.2024</u>

Official practices

Competitions:

Chicks - Free Skating

Cubs – Free Skating

Intermediate Novice - Free Skating

Advance Novice-Short program

Prize giving ceremony - Chicks, Cubs, Intermediate Novice

Thursday - 01.02.2024

Official practices

Competitions:

Basic Novice - Free Skating

Advance Novice - Free Skating

Prize giving ceremony - Basic Novice, Advanced 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

