SOFIA TROPHY 2027

Sofia, Bulgaria

12-17 January 2027



ANNOUNCEMENT

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BULGARIAN SKATING FEDERATION

and

FIGURE SKATING CLUB ALBENA DENKOVA

Invites you to attend the

SOFIA TROPHY

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INTERNATIONAL FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION

in Singles and Ice Dance for

Senior and Junior

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1. ***GENERAL INFORMATION:***

The ***SOFIA TROPHY* 2027** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution 2025, Competition & Event Regulations 2026, the Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the ***SOFIA TROPHY 2027*** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Article 7.2, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Article 9.3.1 and 9.3.2, and they meet the participation, citizenship, and residency requirements in Article 8 and ISU Communication 2526 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Article 8 of the ISU Competition & Event Regulations 2026 and ISU Communication 2526, 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.

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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:***

SENIOR WOMEN & MEN

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026 Rule 611 and 612, and respective ISU Communication.

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec, +/- 10 sec
Free Skating: 4 min 00 sec, +/- 10 sec

SENIOR ICE DANCE

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026 Rule 709 and 710, and respective ISU Communication.

Rhythm Dance: 2 min 50 sec, +/- 10 sec
Free Dance: 4 min 00 sec, +/- 10 sec

JUNIOR WOMEN & MEN

Technical Requirements are in accordance ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026 Rule 611 and 612, and respective ISU Communication.

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec, +/- 10 sec
Free Skating: 3 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

JUNIOR ICE DANCE

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026 Rule 709 and 710, and respective ISU Communication.

Rhythm Dance: 2 min 50 sec, +/- 10 sec
Free Dance: 3 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

3. ***ENTRIES:***

Competitors must be entered through their Member Federation.
The Entries by name must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS):

- **https://fsk-ors.isu.swisstiming.com** and will be submitted via the ORS simultaneously to the:
  Figure Skating Club "Albena Denkova" & Bulgarian Skating Federation
  7 Krasna Kitka Str., ap. 11, Sofia, Bulgaria
  E-mail: sofiatrophy@bsf.bg
  Fax: + 359 2 987 77 71

not later than **December 21, 2026**.

After the ISU Member receives confirmation of the entries from ORS system, competitors must be entered together with their music in the EC web portal – www.europeancriterium.eu.
Before entry procedure in the EC web portal a representative of each federation/club needs to apply for a new account on www.europeancriterium.eu/Account/Register.

Entries must reach the ORS and Event Organizer not later than December 21, 2026

In case of too many entries, the organiser reserves the right to limit the number of participants as follows:

- Junior Women – 36 (24/30 will qualify for the free skating, depend on the entries)
- Junior Men – 12
- Junior Ice Dance – 10
- Senior Women – 24
- Senior Men – 12
- Senior Ice Dance – 10

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 05, 2027**. For any letter cancellation, the team leader of the 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 Entries of Judges must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) and reach the Organizing Committee, not later than **December 21, 2026**.
The Panels will be drawn after the closing of entries. The members concerned will be notified of the result of the draw.
Each panel of Judges in Seniors and Juniors 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 **Hotel ZOO******, beginning with dinner on Tuesday, January 12, 2027, until lunch on Monday, January 18,

2027.
Travel expenses will be covered 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:

- Senior and Junior – **€ 130 per skater**.
- Senior and Junior Ice dance – **€ 160 per couple/skater**.

Payment shall be made by bank transfer to bank account:

INVESTBANK BULGARIA
IBAN: BG03IORT73711000332500
BIC: IORTBGSF
Bank holder: Figure Skating Club "Albena Denkova"

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 after the cancellation date.

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

- Seniors and Juniors – **€ 140 per skater**.
- Seniors and Juniors Ice dance – **€ 170 per couple/skater**.

Only competitors who have been accredited will be allowed to participate in the competition.

7. ***EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROPHY:***

SOFIA TROPHY 2027 is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2026/2027 for Juniors, Advanced Novices, and younger categories. Results of the Teams will count for competition in the 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 https://sofia-trophy.clubalbenadenkova.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:***

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

When a 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 the program of the competitor.
When the music file is attached to the 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 a USB stick or any external USB drive.

Only the music of the Ice Dance must be sent to music@bsf.bg.

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 **Tuesday, January 12, 2027, at 14:00 h.** in the office of the Organizing Committee at the Winter Sports Palace.
Operating hours on competition days will be from **08:00h to 20:00 h**.

13. DRAW:

The draw for order of skating for Junior Men and Women will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2027, and for Seniors and Ice Dance on Friday, January 15, 2027, in the presence of the Referee and Technical Controller in accordance with Rules 512 and 513.
The exact place and time will be published in the official detailed schedule.
Starting order for the free skating of categories Juniors and Seniors will be in reverse order of the results in the short program.

14. ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:

Rates for additional practice hours are as follow:
50-min open practice – 35 € per skater / 50 € per couple.
50-min private team practice – 250 € per team.

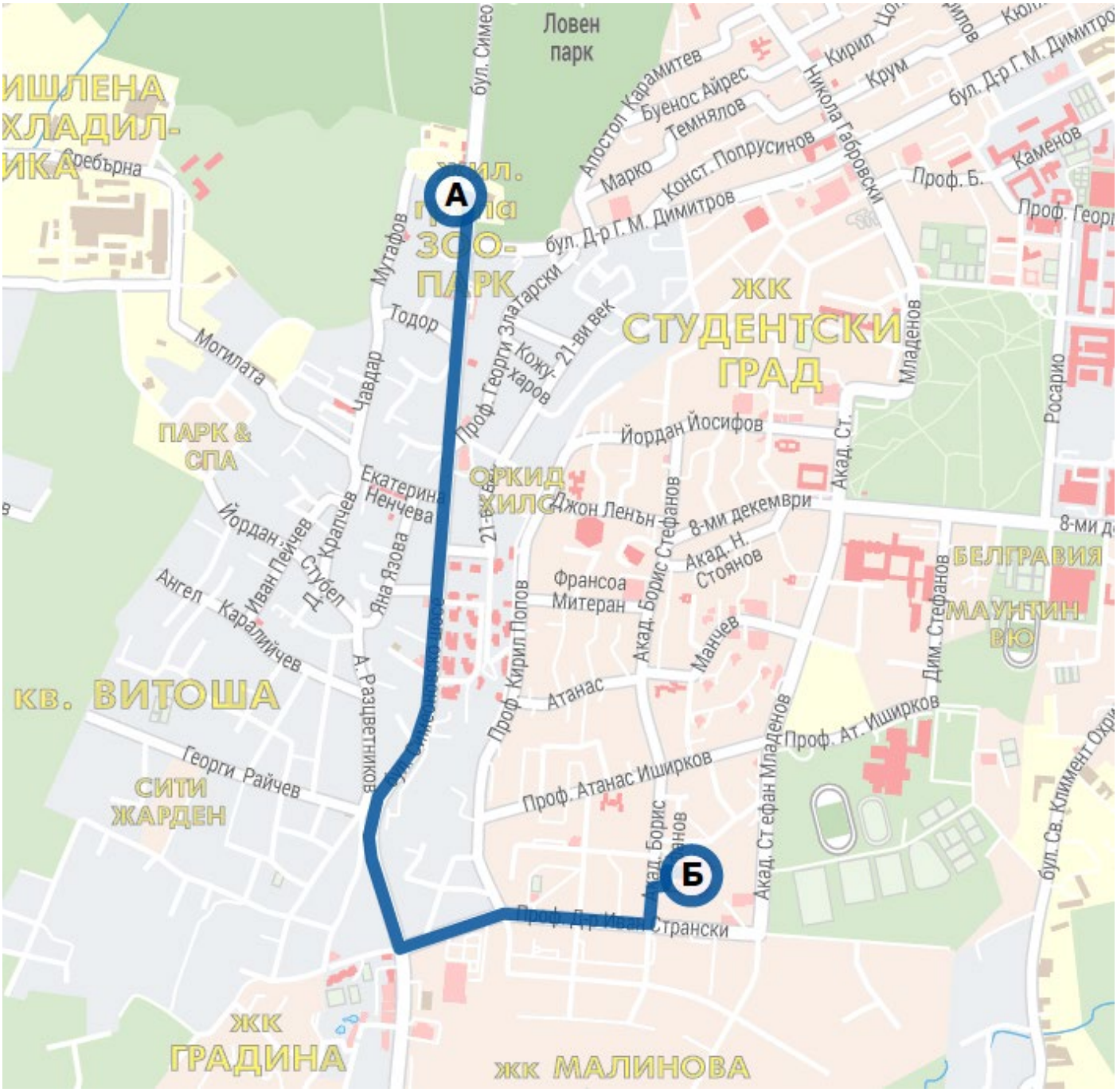
15. INFORMATION:

For additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee:
phone: +359 2 988 75 71
fax: +359 2 987 77 71
e-mail: sofiatrophy@bsf.bg

16. <u>ACCOMMODATION:</u>

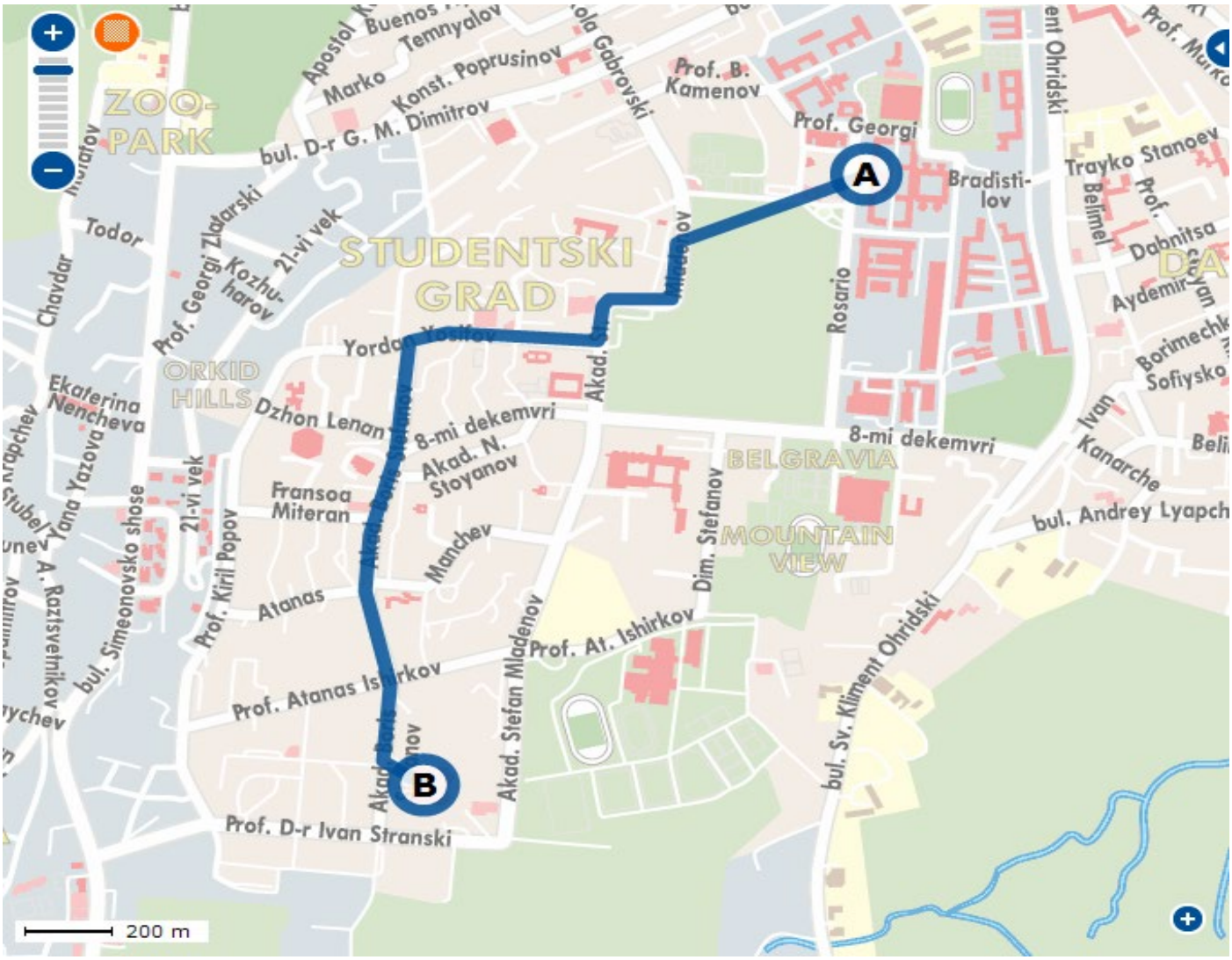
Official hotels of the event:

Hotel ZOO Sofia****, 6, Simeonovsko shose, blvd. 1700 Sofia, Bulgaria
Website - *https://hotelzoosofia.com*
Special Event prices: Single room – € 78, Double room – € 88, Apartment for 3 persons – € 130.
<u>The rates are per night including breakfast, free Wi-Fi and fitness.</u>



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 6-7 minutes.

VITOSHA Park Hotel**, 5 Baku, Str., 1700 Sofia
Website - *https://www.vitoshaparkhotel.com*
Special Event prices: Single room – € 78, Double room – € 88, Apartment for 3 persons – € 130, Apartment for 4 persons – € 150.
The rates are per night including breakfast, free Wi-Fi*, 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 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/from official hotel.
The transportation fee is € 25 per person/one way.

Competition Provisional Schedule* – *subject to change

Thursday – 14.01.2026

Draw – Junior Women & Men
Official practices

Friday – 15.01.2026

Official practices
Draw – Senior Women, Men & Ice dance
Judges meeting

Competitions:
Junior Women – Short Program
Junior Men – Short Program

Saturday – 16.01.2026

Official practices

Competitions:
Ice Dance – Rhythm dance
Junior Women – Free skating
Senior Women – Short Program
Senior Men – Short Program

Prize giving ceremony – Junior Women
Round Table Discussion – Junior Women

Sunday – 17.01.2026

Official practices

Competitions:
Ice Dance – Free dance
Junior Men – Free skating
Senior Women – Free skating
Senior Men – Free skating

Prize giving ceremony – Junior Men, Seniors Singles and Ice Dance
Round Table Discussion – Seniors Singles and Ice Dance

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

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