

# **ISU-Competition for Ice Dance**

Senior, Junior, Advanced and Basic Novice

Dortmund, Germany

November 4<sup>th</sup> – November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011

# **Announcement / Invitation**

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#### 1. GENERAL

The NRW Trophy 2011 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2010, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Ice Dance, 2010, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify with regards to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their age fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 2. b) for Seniors and paragraph 2. c) for Juniors and Rule 108, paragraph 2. new d) for Novice.

Furthermore all participants must meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements of Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 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.

All competitors must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

The "NRW Trophy 2011" will be organized by the Eissportverband Nordrhein-Westfalen and is sanctioned by the Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V.

#### 2. TECHNICAL DATA

#### Venue:

Eissportzentrum Westfalenhallen, Strobelallee 32, D-44139 Dortmund (an indoor ice-rink, heated, with the ice surface of  $60 \text{ m} \times 30 \text{ m}$ )

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## **Categories:**

## **SENIOR Ice Dance**

Short Dance

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 609 and all pertinent ISU Communications.

Rhythms:

One to three of the following Latin American Rhythms: Cha Cha, Rhumba, Samba, Mambo, Merengue.

Required Elements:

**2 Pattern Dance Elements: Two (2)** Sequences of **Rhumba**, either skated one after the other or not skated one after the other.

One (1) Short Lift,

One (1) Not Touching Circular Step Sequence.

One (1) Set of Sequential Twizzles.

The Pattern Dance Elements can be skated to any of the above mentioned Rhythms (both elements to the same Rhythm or one element to one Rhythm and the second element to a different Rhythm), in the style of this (these) Rhythm(s), with the following range of tempo: 43 – 45 measures of four beats per minute (172-180 beats per minute). The

tempo of the music throughout the Pattern Dance Elements must be constant.

**Latin American Rhythms** are described in the ISU Ice Dance Music Rhythms Booklet 1995, pages 13 to 20 (Note: Tango and Paso Doble, which are not included in the description, are not allowed.)

Music for the entire Short Dance (including music for specified Pattern Dance) is provided by the couple and may be vocal.

Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec

#### Free Dance

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 610 and all pertinent ISU Communications. For the values of the required elements and components see the respective ISU Communication.

ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 610 paragraph 2 (required elements) and the respective ISU Communication must be observed

Duration: 4 min, +/- 10 sec.

ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 610 paragraph 2 (well balanced program and required elements) and the respective ISU Communication must be observed.

# **JUNIOR Ice Dance**

#### Short Dance

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 609 and all pertinent ISU Communications.

### Rhythms:

Cha Cha or Cha Cha plus one of the following Latin American Rhythms: Rhumba, Samba, Mambo, Merengue.

The composition of the Short Dance in the season 2011/12 will contain 5 Required Elements in total:

- 2 Required Elements in the Pattern Dance part: Two (2) sequences of the Cha Cha Congelado performed one after the other will be considered as two Required Elements
- 3 Required Elements in the Creative part One (1) (Short Lift, One (1) Not-Touching Midline Step Sequence and One (1) Set of Sequential Twizzles)

The Pattern Dance Elements must be skated on the Cha Cha Rhythm, in the style of the Cha Cha, with the following range of tempo: 28 to 30 measures of four beats per minute (112-120 beats per minute). The tempo of the music throughout the Pattern Dance Elements must be constant.

**Latin American Rhythms** are described in the ISU Dance Music Rhythms Booklet 1995, pages 13 to 20 (Note: Tango and Paso Doble, which are not included in the description, are not allowed.)

Music for the entire Short Dance (including music for specified Pattern Dance) is provided by the couple and may be vocal.

Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec

#### Free Dance

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 610 and all pertinent ISU Communications. For the values of the required elements and components see the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2010, Rule 610 paragraph 2 (well balanced program and required elements) and the relevant ISU Communication must be observed.

#### **ADVANCED NOVICE Ice Dance**

#### Pattern Dance

Technical Requirements for Advanced Novice competitions Ice Dance Two (2) Pattern Dances are to be skated for Advanced Novice. In accordance with Rule 639 paragraph 1, the Pattern Dances for the Season 2011/2012 are as follows:

Group 1: # 4 European Waltz # 20 Tango Group 2: # 3 Rocker Foxtrott # 9 Starlight Waltz

One group of two Pattern Dances shall be drawn before the first practice of the competition out of the two groups.

#### Free Dance

Rule 610 shall apply except that vocal music is **not** permitted. The use of vocal music shall be considered as a violation of music restriction and penalized as per Rule 653, paragraph 1 n) (ii) and Rule 409, paragraph 1.

Requirements for the music and the costume: as per ISU Communication 1610 and subsequent updates of this ISU Communication (except that music may not be vocal).

# Well Balanced Free Dance program must contain

**Two (2) different Types of Short Lifts** (as defined in Rule 604, paragraph 16), chosen from the following Types of Lifts:

- a) Straight Line Lift
- b) Curve Lift
- c) Rotational Lift

In addition, one (1) additional Lift (up to 6 seconds) without any requirement for the Level of Difficulty is permitted (provided it is not an Illegal Lift), but only the first two Lifts performed will be identified and considered in determining the Level of Difficulty. However if a fourth Lift is performed, it will be considered by the Technical Panel as an extra element.

In case a Stationary Lift is performed among the two Lifts with a Level of Difficulty, it will be identified by the Technical Panel to occupy a box, given No Value, and considered as an extra element (element not according to the Well Balanced Program).

> One (1) Spin (as defined in Rule 604, paragraph 14 e), but not more

**Note:** A Combination Spin is not permitted. In case a Combination Spin is performed instead of a Spin, it will be identified by the

Technical Panel to occupy a box, given No Value, and considered as an extra element (element not according to the Well Balanced Program).

➤ One (1) Step Sequence in hold of any type of Groups A or B (as defined in Rule 603, paragraph 3).

The restrictions listed in ISU Communication 1610 and subsequent updates of this ISU Communication apply.

One (1) Set of Synchronized Twizzles (as defined in Rule 604, paragraph 14 a) and b): only the first set of Synchronized Twizzles skated will be identified and considered for the Level of Difficulty.

# Levels explanations

In all Required Elements, all features up to **Level 4** will be counted. All **Program Components** are judged with the following factors:

Skating Skills	1.10
Transitions/ Linking Footwork/Movements	0.90
Performance/Execution	0.90
Composition/Choreography	0.90
Interpretation/Timing	0.90

Duration: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

# **BASIC NOVICE Ice Dance**

### Pattern Dance

Technical Requirements for Basic Novice competitions Ice Dance
Two (2) Pattern Dances are to be skated for Basic Novice. In accordance with Rule 639 paragraph 1, the Pattern Dances for the Season 2011/2012 are as follows:

# #1 Fourteenstep #4 European Waltz

The Scale of Values of the Pattern Dances may be updated and will be published in ISU Communications.

# Free Dance

Rule 610 shall apply except that vocal music is **not** permitted. The use of vocal music shall be considered as a violation of music restriction and penalized as per Rule 653, paragraph 1 n) (ii) and Rule 409, paragraph 1

Requirements for the music and the costume: as per ISU Communication 1610 and subsequent updates of this ISU Communication (except that music may not be vocal).

#### A Well Balanced Free Dance program must contain

- > One (1) Short Lift (as defined in Rule 604, paragraph 16), chosen from the following Types of Lifts:
  - a) Straight Line Lift
  - b) Curve Lift
  - c) Rotational Lift

In addition, one (1) additional Lift (up to 6 seconds) without any requirement for the Level of Difficulty is permitted (provided it is

not an Illegal Lift), but only the first Lift performed will be identified and considered in determining the Level of Difficulty. However if a third Lift is performed, it will be considered by the Technical Panel as an extra element.

In case a Stationary Lift is performed as the Lift with a Level of Difficulty, it will be identified by the Technical Panel to occupy a box, given No Value, and considered as an extra element (element not according to the Well Balanced Program).

- One (1) Step Sequence in hold of any type of Groups A or B (as defined in Rule 603, paragraph 3).
  - The restrictions listed in ISU Communication 1610 and subsequent updates of this ISU Communication apply.
- One (1) Set of Synchronized Twizzles (as defined in Rule 604, paragraph 14 a) and b): only the first set of Synchronized Twizzles skated will be identified and considered for the Level of Difficulty.
- The **Dance Spin** is not included in the list of Required Elements for the Basic Novice Free Dance. Nevertheless, a spinning movement skated by the couple together in any hold around common axis on one foot (or two feet) with any number of rotations is permitted. A couple may choose to use this movement as part of their choreography. The Technical Panel will ignore these movements and the Judges will not consider these movements as one of the permitted stops.

# Levels explanations

For Basic Novice Free Dance, in all Required Elements, 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.

# All **Program Components** are judged with the following factors:

Skating Skills	1.10
Transitions/ Linking Footwork/Movements	0.90
Performance/Execution	0.90
Composition/Choreography	0.90
Interpretation/Timing	0.90

Duration: 2:30 min, +/- 10 sec

## 3. ENTRIES OF COMPETITORS

ISU Members may enter 3 Dance couple(s) per age category (Senior, Junior, Advanced and Basic Novice) and their substitutes using the official entry form. The entries by name should reach the organizer not later than **October 6**<sup>th</sup>, **2011**. Entries by fax or E-Mail are appreciated. The entry forms have to be used and must be sent to:

Eissport – Verband NRW e.V. Strobelallee 32 D - 44139 Dortmund Germany

Phone: +49 231 912 82 33 Fax: +49 231 912 82 34 Email: frieder.dieck@lev-nrw.de Entries must be accompanied by the official "ISU Declaration Form" as per Rule 131. In case of competitors who are not full of age (under 18), such Declaration must be co-signed by at least one of the parents or other guardian at law. Each Entry Form and Declaration Form must be signed by an authorized ISU Member Representative such as President, General Secretary, Executive Director, CEO (Rule 104, paragraph 4).

For any cancellation after October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011 the team leader of the federation will be asked to pay the entry fee regardless of the reason for cancellation. In case there is no participating team left a respective invoice will be sent to the Member Federation.

Passports of the skaters, as well as ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation.

## **World Standing Points**

In case the requirements as per ISU Communication 1629 are fulfilled, World Standing points will be awarded in the Senior Categories Ice Dance.

# 4. ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member is requested to nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge with the qualification of at least "International Judge or International Referee" for the event. Entries of judges are also expected to be mailed (recommended) and received at the organizer's address not later than <u>October 6<sup>th</sup> 2011</u>. Fax entries are also appreciated.

Should there be more judges entered than needed in competition, the organizer reserves the right to conduct a pre-draw of the panels of Judges. Judges not drawn will be informed accordingly in time before the competition.

#### 5. MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format, in accordance with Rules 343, paragraph 1. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for Short and Free Dance Program for Ice Dance must be listed for each competitor on the official Music Information Form and attached to the official Entry Form for competitors.

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 dance, free dance) must be recorded on a sperate disc. In addition couples must provide a back-up drive for each programm.

If music information is not complete and discs not provided, accreditation will not be given.

Together with the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet has to be completed precisely by each skater/couple in English using the terminology listed in the respective ISU Communication. It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting Officials

# 6. PRACTICE

Official practice for competitors starts on Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011, at 06:00 p.m. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration.

# 7. INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in ISU Technical Rule Single and Pair Skating 2010, Rule 352 and Rule 353 (Determination and publication of results) will be used.

#### 8. ACCOMMODATION

The organizer covers the costs of accommodation and full board for one judge from November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 (starting with lunch) to November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011(ending with lunch or after the Round Table Discussion, whichever is later). Additional judges need to cover their own costs.

#### 9. OFFICIAL HOTEL

The official Team Hotels will be named after receipt of your entry.

# 10. TRANSPORT

All hotels are located near by the ice rink so that no transportation will be necessary.

The nearest airports to Dortmund are Dortmund-Airport and Duesseldorf International Airport. There is a direct train from Duesseldorf International Airport Station (to be reached by the Sky train) to Dortmund Main Station (approx. 1 ½ hours).

A special bus-service will also be provided between the Düsseldorf International Airport (not Duesseldorf-Weeze!) and Dortmund at certain times. Costs for this service will be € 30,00 per person one way. Only in very exceptional cases transport for single persons will be provided at the cost of the person concerned.

## 11. ACCREDITATION

All ISU Office Holders, ISU Event Officials, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff, one Coach (per Competitor) and one chaperone per Competitor taking part in the competition are requested to register at the "Ice Rink" upon arrival.

#### 12. AWARDS

The first three placed couples in each event will be awarded with Medals or Cups, the other couples with Diploma.

# 13. ENTRY FEES

Entry fees € 60,00 per couple. In case no judge has been entered by the respective Member Federation the entry fees for a couple amount to € 100,00.

Payment by bank transfer must be made to:

Eissport-Verband Nordrhein-Westfalen e.V., Strobelallee 32, D-444139 Dortmund

Bank Account : Dortmunder Volksbank

Account-No. 6331275 700 Banking code: 441 600 14

IBAN: DE 39441600146331275700

SWIFT: GENODEM1DOR

# **14. DRAW**

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Ice Rink for all competitors

## 15. JUDGES MEETING

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Ice Rink

The Round Table Discussion is scheduled on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

# 16. INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the NRW Trophy 2011, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The Organizer assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

# 17. INFORMATION

For further Informartion please contact

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