

INVITATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Dutch Open Short Track Heerenveen, The Netherlands

29-30 September, 1 October 2023

Hoofdsponsors Shorttrack



On behalf of the Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond (KNSB) and its Organizing Committee we have the honor and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

Dutch Open Short Track 2023

to be held on 29th, 30th September and 1st October 2023 (Heerenveen)

General Information

The Dutch Open Short Track 2023 will be held in accordance with the 2022 Regulations of the International Skating Union and relevant ISU Communications. Participation in The Dutch Open Short Track 2023 is based upon *invitation only.*

Based on the ISU Communication 2532, the Dutch Open Short Track Competition will use the 'zero false starts' rule.

Officials

The allocation of officials will be the responsibility of the KNSB. Due to the international countries attending there will be at least 1 international referee (not from host country) will be included in the list of officials.

Distances

Individual: 500m,1000m & 1500m.

All distances will include Repechage races for Women and Men*

Relay: 3000m Women, 5000m Men

Mixed Team Relay: 2000m

Program*

September 25 th , 2023	Monday	20.00	Team Leaders Meeting, online (a link will be sent to the Team Leader whereby he/she can participate)
September 28th, 2023	Thursday		Possibility for Training
September 29 th 2023	Friday	10.00	Warm Up Qualifying rounds of all distances
September 30 th , 2023 * Subject to number of o	Saturday countries	10.00*	Start of Competition Women and Men 1500 m + Repechage + Semi Finals + B & A Finals, Women and Men 500 m heats + Repechage Women 3000 m Relay Semi Finals Men 5000 m Relay Semi Finals Mixed Team Relay Semi Finals
October 1 st , 2023 * Subject to number of o	Sunday countries	10:00*	Women and Men 500 m Quarter Finals, Semi Finals + B & A Finals, Women and Men 1000 m Heats, Repechage Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and B & A Finals Women 3000 m Relay Finals Men 5000 m Relay Finals Mixed Team Finals Relay
		15:30	The Competition will end at approximately 15.30 hours (should members wish to depart on Sunday evening).

^{*}Program & format is subject to change. When there are changes due to more/less participants we may change the program format in consultation with the participating countries.

Competitors must be present before 18:00 (CET) on **Thursday, 28 September** or the Organizing Committee must receive documented proof that the competitors are in transit. Competitors who do not comply with these requirements will be excluded from the competition.

Track Conditions & Rink Dimensions

The ice rink has an artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface of 30x60 meters (freestanding boarding system). Protective padding covers is in accordance with Rule 280, paragraph 5. The standard track will be laid out 111.12 meters to the lap.

Entries

All skaters may skate all three distances 500m, 1000m and 1500m and include repechage racing over these distances.

Relay entries: One (1) team per ISU member of minimum four (4), maximum six (6) competitors per category and a Mixed Relay 1 team per ISU member. The host member may enter more than one team for both the Relay and the Mixed Team Relay competitions. For the Dutch Open Short Track Competition, the make-up of the Mixed Team Relay and the number of competitors per category may not be according to the ISU regulations.

In the event of an invited member not having a 'full relay team' (four skaters) the member's team is supplemented with additional skater(s) and this will be totally at the discretion of the organizing committee. In this case however, a relay team cannot score points for the overall team ranking.

Members can only enter a maximum of six (6) skaters per category that include all participants and substitutes for the individual events as well as the relay.

Applications must made in writing by the official Entry Form for the Dutch Open Shorttrack and addressed to the Organizing Committee.

Preliminary Entries must be received by August 15th, 2023 Final Entries by name must be received by September 15th, 2023 Name changes will not be accepted after September 25th, 2023.

Citizenship / Residence Requirements and Clearance Procedure

In accordance with Rule 109 of ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by whom they are registered, or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

Drawing and Seeding Procedure and Points

The procedure for the drawing and seeding procedure and points will be sent later.

Anti-Doping

Anti-Doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communication No. 2243 or any further update of these Communications).

Accommodation

Hotel reservations, meals and lodging expenses are at the responsibility of the participating members. Please make your reservations **directly** at the hotel, using booking code **DOS2023**:

Official Hotels: 1. Fletcher Hotel Heidehof

Golflaan 1

8445 SR Heerenveen Phone: +31 513 630 200 Email: info@hotelheidehof.nl

www.hotelheidehof.nl

Hotel de Heidehof is within 5-minute walking distance from the ice rink.

Rates for Fletcher Hotel Heidehof: Booking code **DOS2023** Single room per person per day is € 132,-- (half board). Double room per person per day is € 83,-- (half board). Room for 4 persons available upon request.

2. Fletcher Hotel De Eese

Duivenslaagte 2 8346 KH De Bult Phone: +31 513 630 200 Email: info@hoteldeeese.nl https://www.hoteldeeese.nl/en/

Hotel De Eese is 24 km from the Ice Rink. No shuttle bus available.

Rates for Fletcher Hotel De Eese: Booking code **DOS2023** Single room per person per day is € 132,-- (half board). Double room per person per day is € 83,-- (half board). Room for 4 persons available upon request.

3. Parkhotel Tjaarda

Kon. Julianaweg 98 8453 WH Oranjewoud Phone: +31 513 433 533 Email: info@tjaarda.nl https://www.tjaarda.nl/

Parkhotel Tjaarda is 4,5 km from the Ice Rink (by bike route 2,3 km, 7 minutes). No shuttle bus available.

Rates for Parkhotel Tjaarda: Booking code **DOS2023** Single room per person per day is € 139,35 (half board). Double room per person per day is € 90,10 (half board).

4. Hajé Hotel Joure

Klokmakerij 1 8501 ZS Joure Phone: +31 088 5230016

Email: joure@haje.nu

https://www.haje.nu/en/hotel-restaurant-joure/

Hajé Hotel Joure is 13 km from the Ice Rink. No shuttle bus available.

Rates for Hajé Hotel Joure: Booking code **DOS2023** Single room per person per day is € 144,25 Double room per person per day is € 97,75

The prizes mentioned above are including all taxes.

Lunch/Catering:

Lunch during competition days will be arranged in a buffet and will be offered during a break in the program. It is not mandatory to eat lunch in the rink. Please inform the OC latest **September 15**th if you wish to use our lunch facilities. If you don't use lunch, you will also not be able to use the fruits and water made available and be responsible for your own grocery shopping.

Costs are € 22,50 per person per day (lunch buffet, water and fruit for staff and skaters).

Liability and Medical Insurance

In accordance with Rule 119, the ISU, the Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond (KNSB) and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for, or liability with respect to, medical, bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with this Event. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance (medical and accident) coverage for their athletes.

Transportation

Members are responsible for their own transportation upon arrival at Schiphol. For transportation from Schiphol to Heerenveen please contact: Besseling Travel, E-mail travel@besseling.com.

This must be done in advance and pre-payment is required by Besseling Travel.

Please follow all measures mentioned by Besseling for travel. If you book transportation with Besseling Travel, make sure to mention that this is for the Dutch Open Short Track (ref: **DOS2023**).

Travelling from Schiphol to Heerenveen by train is also possible and easy to reach.

Multiple connections per day are available.

The date, airline & flight number, expected time of arrival and the time of departure should be communicated to the Organizing Committee before **September 15**th, and should contain all information requested in the "Travel form".

Organization fee

The Organization fee is € 100,- per participant to cover all the expenses for this event. Costs for ice and organization fee will be invoiced to each country and must be paid per bank.

Entry Requirement for The Netherlands

A valid passport or acceptable certificate of identification (EU) is mandatory for all people entering the Netherlands. Passports must be valid for longer than the period of stay in the Netherlands.

Regarding the Visa requirements: please consult with the Embassy of The Netherlands in your country in time. If you are in need of an invitation letter, please inform the OC, (wedstrijdorganisatie@knsb.nl) with Preliminary Entry

Ice Training Sessions

Training sessions are available upon request on Thursday September 28th, 2023. The training fee is € 250,- per training. (50-60') Weight training facilities upon request (€ 150 per 90 minutes). Training times can only be booked through the OC.(wedstrijdorganisatie@knsb.nl) Please let us know your requested times on the 'Training request form' before September 15, 2023. (first come, first serve basis) During this training session no First Aid support will be present.

Communication

For all communication concerning the competition we use the "Sportity" app. You can download the "Sportity" app in your app store on your mobile device. After downloading you will have the option to add a channel. Submit the password to gain access to the channel regarding the information for this tournament:

The password will be given to you in the athletes' information in due time.

Organizing Committee – Entries and Inquiries

All entries and other inquiries should be addressed to the Organizing Committee.

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