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TEAM'S GUIDE

**DUTCH
CHALLENGER
OPEN**

1 - 2 MARCH 2025
LEEWARDEN, THE NETHERLANDS

Hoofdsponsors Shorttrack



Dear athletes and coaches,

Welcome to Leeuwarden. The Elfstedenhal (11-cities venue) is the starting location of the famous Dutch 200 KM speedskating event, the Elfstedentocht, held on canals and lakes here in the north during wintertime when temperatures are low enough to freeze all the lakes and canals to facilitate 20.000 skaters. First held in 1909 and the last time in 1997. The Dutch skating community is hoping every winter this event will take place from here.

It is an honor to welcome you to Leeuwarden for the Dutch Challenger Open. The information in this Team Guide is intended to make your stay with us as pleasant as possible. You will find detailed information regarding training, meetings, transportation, meals, etc.

Please let us know if you need further assistance with your planning by emailing wedstrijdorganisatie@knsb.nl.

We wish you all the best on and off the track these two weeks.

The Organizing Committee

Dutch Challenger Open

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Elfstedenhal (venue)
Fryslanplein 1
8914 BZ Leeuwarden
Tel: 058 213 55 55

Pre-Event Checklist

- Plastic water bottles will not be provided by the Organizing Committee. Teams are asked to bring their own reusable water bottles and to use the Dutch tap water.

Teams Information Office

The Teams Information Office is in the venue.

Opening hours Teams Information Office:

Saturday-Sunday 08.00 – end of competition day

Competition Schedule*

Dutch Challenger Open Leeuwarden, Netherlands March 1 - 2, 2025

Program

*25/03/01

09:00	Women Junior B	500 meter	Quarter Finals	1 - 4
09:11	Men Junior B	1000 meter	Quarter Finals	5 - 9
09:28	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
09:43	Women Junior B	500 meter	Semi Final	10 - 13
09:54	Men Junior B	1000 meter	Semi Final	14 - 19
10:15	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
10:30	Women Junior B	500 meter	Final	20 - 23
10:42	<i>Cerem.Ice , Women Junior B</i>			
10:46	Men Junior B	1000 meter	Final	24 - 29
11:07	<i>Cerem.Ice , Men Junior B</i>			
11:11	<i>Ice Res (Full)</i>			
11:26	Mixed Team Relay	2000 m Relay	Quarter Finals	30 - 33
11:52	<i>Other events</i>			
12:37	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
12:52	Men Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Heats	34 - 41
13:20	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
13:35	Women Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Quarter Finals	42 - 46
13:49	Men Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Quarter Finals	47 - 54
14:17	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
14:32	Women Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Semi Final	55 - 59
14:46	Men Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Semi Final	60 - 67
15:14	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
15:29	Women Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Final	68 - 72
15:43	<i>Cerem.Ice , Women Junior A</i>			
15:47	<i>Cerem.Ice , Women Senior</i>			
15:50	Men Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Final	73 - 80
16:18	<i>Cerem.Ice , Men Junior A</i>			
16:22	<i>Cerem.Ice , Men Senior</i>			
16:25	<i>end</i>			

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Dutch Challenger Open
Leeuwarden, Netherlands
March 1 - 2, 2025

Program

*25/03/02

09:00	Women Junior B	1000 meter	Quarter Finals	81 - 84
09:14	Men Junior B	500 meter	Quarter Finals	85 - 90
09:30	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
09:45	Women Junior B	1000 meter	Semi Final	91 - 94
09:59	Men Junior B	500 meter	Semi Final	95 - 100
10:16	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
10:31	Women Junior B	1000 meter	Final	101 - 104
10:45	<i>Cerem.Ice , Women Junior B</i>			
10:49	Men Junior B	500 meter	Final	105 - 110
11:06	<i>Cerem.Ice , Men Junior B</i>			
11:10	<i>Ice Res (Full)</i>			
11:25	Mixed Team Relay	2000 m Relay	Semi Final	111 - 112
11:38	<i>Other events</i>			
12:23	<i>Ice Res (Full)</i>			
12:38	Mixed Team Relay	2000 m Relay	Final	113 - 114
12:52	<i>Cerem.Ice , Mixed Team Relay</i>			
12:57	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
13:12	Men Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Heats	115 - 122
13:34	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
13:49	Women Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Quarter Finals	123 - 127
14:06	Men Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Quarter Finals	128 - 135
14:28	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
14:43	Women Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Semi Final	136 - 139
14:57	Men Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Semi Final	140 - 147
15:19	<i>Ice Res (Track)</i>			
15:34	Women Jun A + Sen	1000 meter	Final	148 - 151
15:49	<i>Cerem.Ice , Women Junior A</i>			
15:53	<i>Cerem.Ice , Women Senior</i>			
15:56	Men Jun A + Sen	500 meter	Final	152 - 159
16:18	<i>Cerem.Ice , Men Junior A</i>			
16:22	<i>Cerem.Ice , Men Senior</i>			
16:25	<i>end</i>			

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***The program is still tentative.**

***Subject to the number of skaters entering the event, repechage or all-finals system will be adopted.**

Team leaders meeting

The team leaders meeting will be held online on Tuesday, February 15 at 20:00 hrs.
Hereby the link: [Dutch Challenger](#).

Ice Training

Please feel free to contact the ice rink directly to reserve training ice.

Please send your request to: baukje@elfstedenhal.frl or info@elfstedenhal.frl

Transportation

Members are responsible for their own transportation upon arrival at Schiphol.

For transportation from Schiphol to Leeuwarden please contact:

Besseling Travel, E-mail travel@besseling.com .

Hotels

These hotels are in walking distance of the Ice Rink.

Westcord WTC-hotel Leeuwarden (****)	Eurohotel Leeuwarden (***)
Heliconweg 52	Europaplein 20
8914 AT Leeuwarden	8915 CL Leeuwarden
T: +31 58 233 49 00	T: +31 58 213 11 13
E: leeuwarden@westcordhotels.nl	E: info@eurohotel.nl
Www.westcordhotels.nl	Www. eurohotel.nl

Anti-Doping

Anti-Doping tests may be carried out according to the ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures, as given in the applicable ISU Communications (ISU Communications Nos. 2344 & 2366 or later updates).

Athletes lounge

The Athletes lounge can be found on the first floor of the ice rink.

Medical facilities

During the competition days several professional emergency teams are on site.

Transportation

Arrival

If you arrive at Amsterdam Schiphol Airport, transfer to Leeuwarden can be arranged. You can contact Besseling Travel for arrangement and pricing. (see announcement)

Dressing rooms

The dressing rooms are located at the venue.

Internet

Internet access (Wifi) is available in The Elfstedenhal The Wifi code will be communicated on sight.

Website

All information concerning the competition will be available at the following:
Event website: shorttrackonline.info

Liability

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond (KNSB) and The Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the ISU World Cup Short Track. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.