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EXPERIENCE BEIJING SPEED SKATING CHINA OPEN

相约北京速度滑冰中国公开赛

October 8-10, 2021

2021年10月8-10日

Beijing China

中国 北京



On behalf of Chinese Skating Association, the Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to invite you to participate in the

Experience Beijing Speed Skating China Open

which will be held in Beijing, China on October 8-10, 2021

PROGRAM

Thursday, October 7, 2021	16:00 18:00	Team leaders Meeting, National Speed Skating Oval Opening Draw, National Speed Skating Oval
Friday, October 8, 2021	14:00	3000m Women 5000m Men 500m Women 500m Men Drawing for Saturday's distances
Saturday, October 9, 2021	14:00	1000m Women 1000m Men Team Pursuit Women Team Pursuit Men Drawing for Sunday's distances
Sunday, October 10, 2021	14:00	1500m Women 1500m Men Mass Start Women Mass Start Men

REGULATIONS

Experience Beijing - Speed Skating China Open will be held in accordance with the 2021 Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU) and relevant ISU Communications. Guidelines for all Health Regulations during the COVID-19 Pandemic will be edited and released by the event OC. Participation in the competition is open to Skaters who belong to an ISU Member.

TRACK

The National Speed Skating Oval is an indoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radius of 26 and 30 meters respectively. The width of the warm-up lane is 5 meters.

AWARDS

The winners of the China Open Competition are the Skaters with the best achieved time in each event. All winners will be awarded a gold medal. The Skaters or teams placed second and third will be awarded silver and bronze medals.

ENTRIES

Standard ISU entry procedures will apply, including qualifying time requirements as specified below. Entry quotas will be based on the following criteria:

Total quota for the competition will be 100 athletes, tentatively 50 Men and 50 Women.

All participating athletes will register with their personal best results achieved in ISU events or national/regional competitions during the period of the seasons 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 for each individual distance where they will be entered (results recorded by photo finish, photo cell, or transponder system). The ranking for the draw and (if necessary) for limiting the number of participants per distance, will be based on these results. The entries must also indicate the entry of athletes for the Mass Start and for the Team Pursuit events. If it will be necessary to limit the number of competitors in the Mass Start, the participation from an ISU Member may be restricted to 2 Skaters per gender.

Each ISU Member may enter a total maximum of 5 athletes in the Women's and 5 athletes in the Men's events. Depending on the total number of entries the Hosting Member may apply for additional participants. Such requests will be submitted to ISU for approval.

The Organizing committee and ISU have the right to reject or limit entries in case of an excessive total number (over 100) of entered athletes. Rejection or reduction of entries will be based on the principle of the order of entries submission.

Qualifying times:

	500m	1000m	1500m	3000m	5000m
Women	42,50	1.25,00	2.12,00	4.45,00	N.A.
Men	38,50	1.16,00	1.58,00	(4.05,00)	7.05,00

The Preliminary entry with the estimated number of Competitors and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors, Team staff and Team leader must be communicated to the Organizing Committee at the latest by **August 30, 2021**. The approved entry quotas for each entered ISU member will be confirmed by the ISU and the Organizing Committee by **September 3, 2021**.

Final entries including the names of the Competitors, as well as the names of the Team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is requested must reach the Organizing Committee at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on **September 8, 2021**. Deadline for submission of final entries for each event (including maximum one substitute per event) will be communicated at the Team Leaders' meeting before the opening draw.

ISU Members shall submit their provisional entries through the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events available at www.isu.org, section Speed Skating or at <http://isu.events> before **August 30, 2021**.

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

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

DRAWING

The drawings will be made in accordance with Rule 244.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications No. 2344 and 2366 or any further updates of these Communications).

LIABILITY

In accordance with the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, Chinese Skating Association and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with this competition. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto. All participants must have insurance which covers Covid-19 treatment in case of infection.

TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Tuesday, October 5, 2021. A more detailed training schedule including the use of power/strength facilities will be sent out as soon as possible.

Only accredited competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours. Trial starts will be organised on Thursday, October 7, 2021.

BOARD AND LODGING, COVID-19 TESTING

The Organizing Committee will cover the cost of mandatory COVID-19 tests performed on-site in Beijing. Participants must cover the cost of COVID-19 tests and certificates prior to arrival in Beijing and after departure from Beijing.

- Expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel shall be covered by the participating ISU Members.
- International Transportation shall be covered by the participating ISU Members.

- Local Transportation (designated transport service) in Beijing will be covered by the Organizing Committee.

All participants must stay at the hotels designated by the Organizing Committee. These hotels are committed to observing applicable national and ISU health safety guidelines.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the following hotels:

Ya'ao International Hotel Beijing

Address: No.A1, Datun Road, Beishatan, Chaoyang District, Beijing, 100101, China

Tel: +86-10-64874433

Website: <http://www.bwolympichotelbj.com/>

Hotel cost will be as follows:

Hotel	Room Type	Room Price	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
			Per person	Per person	Per person
Ya'ao International Hotel Beijing	Superior queen bed	€69 EUR	€12 EUR	€22 EUR	€22 EUR
	Business queen/twin beds	€82 EUR			
	Deluxe Business Big/Twin Bed	€95 EUR			

* The prices above include tax;

Hotel reservation needs (number of single and double rooms) along with preferred date of arrival shall be indicated in the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events, available at www.isu.org by **August 30, 2021**.

Final and binding hotel reservation (number of single and double rooms) shall be submitted through ISU online entry system by **September 8, 2021**. For further information or special requests please contact the Organizing Committee.

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from October 4 to October 11, 2021 between the hotels and the Beijing Capital International Airport. All participants have to take designated shuttle bus arranged by the OC to travel between the airport and the official hotel to keep in closed-loop management (competition bubble). A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotels and the ice-rink from October 5, 2021.

The National Speed Skating Oval is 3km away from the official hotel - Ya'ao International Hotel. It takes about 11 minutes to travel between the venue and the hotel by car.

HEALTH & SANITARY REGULATIONS - BUBBLE CONCEPT

1. General Policy on Exit and Entry Management

All Test Event participants need to **conduct a daily health monitoring for the 14 days before departure** for China. They must provide true and actual information on their health status and update such information accordingly. They must declare that they have no contact with any person infected with COVID-19 and no symptoms of fever and/or cough within the last period of 14 consecutive days before boarding their flight to Beijing. All participants from abroad are required to minimize their stay in China. They are required to leave China at the earliest convenience after the completion of the OWG Test Event. Nucleic acid testing services and test proof will be provided to persons who may need them before departure from China.

A more detailed protocol will be made available in due course.

2. Entry Management Policy for Test Event participants

A category-based management and relative prevention and control measures will be implemented for all related personnel of Test Event.

Athletes

All athletes who can be vaccinated shall get full vaccination at least 14 days before departure for China.

Unvaccinated athletes shall provide document stating the reason and a diagnostic report to the Organizing Committee **before August 30, 2021**.

All other participants (excluding athletes) must get fully vaccinated at least 14 days before departure for China. Vaccination certificates for vaccines approved by international, national or regional health authorities will be accepted.

All participants shall send a scanned copy of vaccination certificate and other relevant documents to the Organizing Committee at liuyun01@beijing2022.cn **by August 30, 2021**. The OC will finish reviewing the documents by **September 3, 2021**.

Before boarding their flight for China, all participants are required to make a personal health declaration (as to whether they have been exposed to any person infected with COVID-19 and whether they have any symptoms of fever and/or cough). They must also provide certificate of negative nucleic acid test results and negative IgM anti-body test results for COVID-19. Both tests must be conducted within 48 hours before boarding.

Participants are required to wear a medical protective mask (N95 or KN95) for the whole duration of flight, except when eating or drinking. Other personal protective measures such as wearing face shield or goggles and regular hand washing are encouraged.

At the first port of entry (primarily Beijing), if the body temperature tested is equal or higher than 37.3°C, the person concerned will be transported to a designated hospital for further testing, diagnose and treatment. Otherwise, they will go through a collection of nasopharyngeal swab for nucleic acid testing . After the sample collection, they will proceed through dedicated passages and directly go to the hotel by dedicated vehicles. Pending the test results, they must refrain from moving around in the hotel. They will be exempted from quarantine with a negative test result.

As a step to implement China's COVID-19 prevention and control protocols, Test Event participants must strictly comply with the COVID-19 prevention and control protocols and bubble-to-bubble administration measures in training, competition and other activities. They must not leave their residence, training or competition venues for participation of any event or activity unrelated to the Test Event. Daily health monitoring and nucleic acid test will be conducted regularly during their stay.

3. Bubble-to-bubble Management Policy

A bubble-to-bubble management policy will apply to all Skaters and accredited team officials. Strict prevention and control measures will be applied in every step of their stay, including arrival and departure, transport, accommodation, food and drinks, training, competition, meetings and other events. They shall not go outside of the bubble, take public transport, or interact with people outside the bubbles. The same bubble-to-bubble management policy will also apply to Chinese athletes, technical officials, working and support staff who will or may have close contact with Test Event participants.

4. Emergency Response Policy

In case any person, object or environment is tested positive, an expert panel, which is composed of epidemic control and sports professionals, will conduct a prompt analysis and make a timely decision as to whether the person in question is eligible for continued participation in the Test Event and whether the whole competition continues. The situation will be reported to the Organizing Committee, ISU and related organizations and agencies and the panel will deal with such cases in a science-based, targeted and timely manner so as to promptly contain any potential spread of infections.

5. COVID-19 Control on an On-going Basis

During their stay in China, all participants are required to strictly comply with the prevention and control protocols, such as mask wearing, frequent hand washing, constant room ventilation, cleaning and disinfection, cough etiquette, and physical distancing. They are also required to accept the supervision and follow the advice and guidance of the Organizing Committee staff.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

Affected by the Covid-19 pandemic, all previously issued Chinese visas have been invalidated by the Chinese government. Any foreign visitor needs to apply for a special entry visa. Please contact the Organizing Committee to obtain an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter, please submit the following information to the OC, **no later than Monday August 30, 2021**:

- ◇ Visa Invitation Information Form (Appendix 1)

- ✧ A scanned copy of Passport profile page. Passport must be valid for at least six months from the date of arrival.

The Organizing Committee will issue Visa invitation letters to all participating ISU Members by **September 15**.

Flight Information

In principle, Test Event participants may arrange travel plans on their own. Upon request, the Organizing Committee will coordinate with AirChina to provide the most convenient designated flight options for participants to come to Beijing.

Test Event participants shall arrive in Beijing not earlier than **October 3, 2021** and leave Beijing on **October 11** by taking designated flight arranged by the Organizing Committee.

Should you have any question, please contact the organizing committee at liuyun01@beijing2022.cn. The OC may arrange an online meeting to answer teams' questions upon request.

ACCREDITATIONS

A colored picture of each accredited person must be sent to the OC for preliminary printing of the accreditation. The document format is as follows:

- ✧ In portrait orientation, with an aspect ratio of 4x5 (Width x Height)
- ✧ File size: 50KB - 500KB
- ✧ Formats: .jpg, .jpeg, .png or .bmp.
- ✧ Minimum 480 x 600 pixels (Width x height)
- ✧ Colorful photo with white background, have full face visible, no wear of colored contact lenses
- ✧ Recent photos taken within 6 months

Only the following maximum numbers of Team Officials can receive an accreditation:

Type	Number of accreditations per Competition
Team Leader	1 accreditation
Coaches, medical & technical staff	1 competitor* - 1 accreditation 2 to 3 competitors - 2 accreditations 4 to 6 competitors - 3 accreditations 7 to 9 competitors - 4 accreditations 10 competitors - 5 accreditations ..etc.

* Competitor = competing skater (substitutes excluded)

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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