INTERNATIONAL ADULT
FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION

Oberstdorf, Germany

Celebrating our 20th year!

17th-22nd May 2026

International Adult Figure Skating Competition
For
Men, Women, Pairs, Couples Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating

Competition under the Authorization and Support of the INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

1. General Information

The International Adult Figure Skating Competition in Oberstdorf, Germany, will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2024, the ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pairs Skating and Ice Dance 2024, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Synchronized Skating 2024, all pertinent ISU Communications, and this Announcement.

If there is a conflict between ISU Regulations or Communications and provisions set forth in this Announcement, the requirements set forth in this Announcement shall prevail, except in the case of any ISU Communications containing specific requirements for Adult Skating Competitions.

This competition is an "International Masters/Adult Competition" as per Rule 107(12) of the ISU General Regulations. Oversight of the competition on behalf of the ISU is provided by the Adult Figure Skating Group (AFSG).

The competition will include the following categories:

- Women and Men Free Skating
- Women and Men Artistic Free Skating
- Pair Free Skating
- Pair Artistic Free Skating
- Couples Pattern Dance
- Couples Rhythm Dance
- Couples Free Dance
- Synchronized Skating

2. Eligibility

Participation in this International Adult Figure Skating Competition is open to all skaters who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility, according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in this Announcement and they meet the participation requirements.

A competitor must be an individual member of an ISU Member, or a member of a club that is itself a member of an ISU Member. The ISU does not require competitors to obtain any clearance certificate or any other permission from the ISU Member prior to entering the competition. A competitor may enter as a member of only one ISU Member. In the case of Pair Skating and Ice Dance, both competitors in a team must enter as members of the same ISU Member.

A list of ISU members may be found at: https://www.isu.org/member-federations/

Participation in the Free Skating, Pair Free Skating, Artistic Free Skating, Pair Artistic Free Skating and Ice Dance disciplines at the International Adult Figure Skating Competitions is open only to competitors who have reached at least the age of twenty-eight (28) before 1 July 2025.

The following age categories apply to Women and Men Free Skating events:

Class I	participants born between	1 July 1987 and 30 June 1997
Class II	participants born between	1 July 1977 and 30 June 1987
Class III	participants born between	1 July 1967 and 30 June 1977
Class IV	participants born between	1 July 1957 and 30 June 1967
Class V	participants born on or before	30 June 1957

In Synchronized Skating, at least three quarters (75%) of team members (not including alternates) must have reached at least the age of twenty-eight (28) before 1 July 2025. The other members of the team must have reached at least the age of twenty-five (25) before 1 July 2025.

In Synchronized Skating, a team may include up to one-quarter (25%) team members who are citizens of the country of another ISU Member, on the condition that permission is obtained from the ISU Member of the country of which the team member is a citizen. Such team members may compete under only one ISU Member in the same year.

A skater competing after 1 July 2025 in an ISU Championship, International Competition or National Championship of an ISU Member (other than an Adult International Competition or Adult National Championships) or a competition from which a competitor qualifies for the National Championship of an ISU Member (other than an Adult National Championship) MAY NOT participate in this competition.

A skater competing before 1 July 2025 in an ISU Championship, International Competition or National Championship of an ISU Member or a competition from which a competitor qualifies for the National Championship of an ISU Member MAY participate in this competition.

A skater meeting the age requirements of this competition, who competes in adult-only events (Single Free Skating, Pairs Free Skating, Ice Dance or Synchronized Skating) at a National Championships of an ISU Member or competition from which a competitor qualifies for the National Championships of an ISU Member MAY compete in this competition.

A skater participating in an International Adult Competition as per Rule 107(12) shall no longer be eligible to participate in ISU Senior Championships and ISU Senior International Competitions as defined in Rule 107, unless expressly authorized by the ISU.

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 2469, Skaters or Officials belonging to the ISU Members in Russia (Figure Skating Federation of Russia) and Belarus (Skating Union of Belarus) shall not be invited or allowed to participate.

3. General Information for All Participants

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

- The International Adult Skating Competition is conducted in a spirit of friendship and fair play with the objective of promoting figure skating as a life-long sport. To further this objective, all skaters are required to enter at a level that is appropriate to their current skating ability. Further information and advice regarding the appropriate level of competition can be obtained from the members of the ISU AFSG (details below).
- Competitors are not obliged to enter the same level as in previous years. However, an entry two or more levels below a previous level will generally not be accepted without extenuating circumstances and the authorization of the AFSG.
- The AFSG reserves the right to require a skater to move up or down a level if the level entered appears to be inconsistent with the skill level demonstrated by that skater in previous years. The skater will be consulted prior to any decision.
- All skaters must submit the following (further details below):
    - PPC form for each competition (except for artistic and pattern dance categories)
    - Music form
    - Declaration form
- All skaters are required to bring to the competition their passport or other government issued photo identification and proof of current membership of an ISU Member Federation or membership of a club which is itself a member of an ISU Member Federation. These documents should be shown at the registration desk on arrival at the competition.
- Medals (or trophies) will be awarded on ice to all skaters in each category. It is kindly requested that competitors wear their competition clothing for the victory ceremonies, which will be held at the end of each day's competition.
- The International Adult Skating Competition is an open, non-qualifying competition. No championship titles for adult skaters are awarded or recognized by the ISU.
- Based on ISU Rule 501(1), competitors should note the following regarding appropriate clothing. Clothing and any make-up of the competitors must be modest, dignified and appropriate for athletic competition – not garish or theatrical in design. Clothing may, however, reflect the character of the music chosen. The clothing must not give the effect of excessive nudity inappropriate for the discipline. Men must wear full-length trousers. Accessories and props are not permitted. Clothing that does not adhere to these guidelines will be penalized by a deduction. For Ice Dance, exceptions to the restrictions may be announced by the IDTC. The decorations on costumes must be non-detachable. Part of the costume or decoration falling on the ice will be penalized by a deduction. The deduction for inappropriate clothing, make-up, props, and accessories (1.0) will be determined by a majority of the judges and the referee.
- In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole obligation of each participant to provide medical and accident insurance. Such insurance must assure full medical assistance and the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SINGLE SKATERS

- Competitions in Free Skating and Artistic Free Skating will be held at Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters and Masters Elite levels.
- An entry in an artistic category may be at the same level or one level higher (not lower) than the entry in an event of any other category. For example, a skater may enter the Silver Free Skating event and the Gold Artistic Free Skating event.
- Ice dancers or pair skaters who wish to enter the artistic free skating category should enter at a level appropriate to their skating skills. For example, those competing at the Adult Pair skating level could enter the Bronze or the Silver Artistic Free Skating event.
- Each category will be limited to a maximum of 32 competitors.
- If fewer than 3 skaters register for a singles Free Skating or Artistic Free Skating segment, age categories may be combined wherever possible to ensure competition.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PAIR SKATERS

- Competitions in Pair Free Skating and Pair Artistic Free Skating will be held at Adult, Intermediate, Masters and Masters Elite levels.
- Each pair team must consist of one man and one woman.
- Each skater may compete with only one and the same partner in the Pair Skating competitions.
- An entry in Pair Artistic Free Skating may be at the same level or one level higher (not lower) than an entry in Pair Free Skating.
- Coaches and their students are welcome to compete in all events. However, this competition does not have a PRO-AM category.
- If a pair team is formed of skaters having different skill levels, it is expected that they will enter at the level of the more skilled skater. Further guidance in this respect can be obtained by contacting the AFSG (contact information at end of document).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ICE DANCERS

- Competitions in Pattern Dance and Free Dance will be held at Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters and Masters Elite levels.
- Competitions in Rhythm Dance will be held at Silver, Gold, Masters and Masters Elite levels. The former Adult Rhythm Dance category is now called Silver Rhythm Dance.
- An entry in Pattern Dance may be at one lever higher (not lower) than an entry in any other Dance event. Entries in Rhythm Dance and Free Dance must be at the same level.
- Each dance team must consist of one man and one woman. The man must skate the man's steps and the woman must skate the woman's steps (unless otherwise indicated as per the current season's Rhythm Dance requirements).
- Each skater may compete with only one and the same partner in the Ice Dance competitions.
- Coaches and their students are welcome to compete in all events. However, this competition does not have a PRO-AM category.
- If a dance team is formed of skaters having different skill levels, it is expected that they will enter at the level of the more skilled skater. Further guidance in this respect can be obtained by contacting the AFSG (details below).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SYNCHRONIZED SKATERS

- Competitions in Synchronized Skating will be held at the Adult and Masters Levels.
- The Adult category is for teams whose programs are intended to meet a more basic level of skating and for skaters who have mainly started skating as adults.
- The Masters category is for teams formed of former higher level/competitive skaters in any discipline, and for higher-level national test skaters.
- Further guidance in this respect can be obtained by contacting the ISU Adult Figure Skating Group (details below).
- The Team Manager is required to verify and declare that all Team Members meet the requirements for age and membership of an ISU member federation as set out in this announcement.

4. Technical Requirements

Technical requirements for each competition may be found in the Technical Requirements for ISU Supported Adult Figure Skating Competitions which are available at:

https://www.isu.org/events/isu-figure-skating-adult-competition/

and

https://www.eissportzentrum-oberstdorf.de/events/isu-adult-competition.html

5. Competition Entries

Entry forms and payment are to be submitted directly by the participants. Entries must be made online.

SINGLES – CLICK HERE

PAIR SKATING AND ICE DANCE – CLICK HERE

SYNCHRO – CLICK HERE

The online entry system will be available from

Sunday, 15th March 2026 at 13:00 (1:00pm) UTC/GMT

The online entry system will close at:

Sunday, 29th March 2026 at 13:00 (1:00pm) UTC/GMT

IMPORTANT NOTES:

In the event the competition is oversubscribed, the Local Organizing Committee reserves the right to stop accepting further entries even before the closing date for entries. Entry forms will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

!!Please check the entry form carefully before submitting!!
It will not be possible to transfer entries if a category is already oversubscribed

A waiting list is available in case a particular category or the entire competition is oversubscribed.

WAITING LIST – CLICK HERE

6. Competition Entry Fees

The entry fees are as follows:

First Single event	**€ 120.00 per skater**
Second Single event	**€ 80.00 per skater**
First Pair event	**€ 180.00 per couple**
Second Pair event	**€ 140.00 per couple**
First Dance event	**€ 180.00 per couple**
Second Dance event	**€ 140.00 per couple**
Third Dance event	**€ 120.00 per couple**
Synchronized Team	**€ 580.00 per team**

Please note that the fees for a “First event” apply separately to each category (single/pair/dance). For example, a couple entering one pair event and two dance events must pay the entry fees for a First Pair event and for First and Second Dance events.

Payment of all entry fees is required at the entry, together with payment for seminars and the Closing Celebration (see below for details).

Payment is via Paypal or bank transfer.

If you choose to pay using Paypal, you will be automatically redirected to the Paypal website to complete your payment. Please ensure you have your payment card available when completing the entry form to avoid any failed entries.

Bank transfer details are as follows:

Sportstätten Oberstdorf	
Bank account:	VR Bank Kempten-Oberallgäu eG
Banking code:	733 699 20
Account number:	0118 753
Reference:	[YOUR NAME] Adult 2026
IBAN:	DE86733699200000118753
SWIFT:	GENODEF1SFO

Please do not submit payment via bank transfer until you have completed and submitted the online entry form.

Places in the competition are not confirmed until payment of entry fees is received in full.

Skaters who are competing in both singles events and pairs and/or ice dance events are required to make a single payment of all entry fees via the entry form for Pair Skating and Ice Dance. The singles entry form will bypass the payment page for these skaters.

Payment for practice ice and the training package is to be made to the Sportstätten Oberstdorf. All participants will be provided with further information after the close of entries.

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason.

7. Music

All competition music must be submitted electronically as MP3 files to: adultmusic@eislauf-union.de

Please name MP3 using the following format:

<Category>__<Last Name>_<Running Time>

e.g.

Gold Men I_Artistic_SMITH_01:50

All skaters are required to bring to the competition a back-up copy of their music on USB drive.

- The USB drive must be immediately accessible during the competition.
- Other formats (e.g. CDs, music on a phone) will not be accepted as a back-up copy

The deadline for the submission of music is Friday, 24th April 2026.

8. Documentation

Declaration Form – must be submitted by all participants

Music Form – must be submitted by all participants except in the case that ISU music will be used for pattern dance.

These forms can be downloaded from:

https://www.eissportzentrum-oberstdorf.de/events/isu-adult-competition.html

Completed forms must be sent by email to fm@oberstdorf-sport.de.

Planned Program Content Forms – must be completed for all singles free skating, pair free skating, rhythm dance, free dance and synchronized skating programs. PPC forms can now be submitted via a webform at:

https://oberstdorfadult.wufoo.com/forms/planned-program-content/

Please use the recognized ISU element abbreviations when completing the PPC form.

The deadline for the submission of the Declaration Form, Music Forms and PPC forms is Friday, 24th April 2026.

9. Practice Ice

Practice ice will be organized via the Sportstätten Oberstdorf. The cost is € 18.00 per 50 minute session. Booking information will be provided after receipt of your entry.

10. Training Package

The Organizing Committee in cooperation with the Sportstätten Oberstdorf offers a ***Training Package for single skaters*** prior to the competition. The package includes training sessions with top international coaches, practice ice time and physiotherapy.

Package: 12th-15th May 2026

- 4 x 50 minutes technique in a group of 3-4 skaters
- 4 x 50 minutes free ice
- 1 x 30 minutes relaxing massage

Price per skater € 300.00

Private lessons (including ice patches) can be ordered through these coaches individually:

Coaches:
Frank Dehne (frank.dehne@web.de)
Evelyn Klaudt (eislauf@kvita.de)
Rita Koen (ritaellenk@hotmail.com)

11. Seminars

Seminar for Program Components
The Organizing Committee offers a seminar (app. 3-4 hours) for the Program Components, conducted by an ISU Technical Referee. The topic of the seminar will be: "***Criteria and Judging of the three Program Components***". The seminar is tentatively scheduled on Monday, 18th May 2026 – to start at approximately 10:00 h.

Participation fee: € 25.00 per person

Technical Seminars
The Organizing Committee will offer Technical Seminars, divided into groups, (subgroups will be formed if needed). The content of the seminars is "***Technical Rules and Judging of Technical Elements***". The Moderators are ISU Technical Specialists and/or ISU Technical Controllers. The seminars are tentatively scheduled as follows:

Singles	Sunday, 17th May 2026
Ice Dance	Wednesday, 20th May 2026 or Thursday, 21st May 2026
Pair Skating	Wednesday, 20th May 2026 or Thursday, 21st May 2026

Participation fee: € 25.00 per person per seminar

Payment of seminar fees is to be made with the online entry form via Paypal, or via bank transfer.

12. Welcome Reception and Closing Celebration

A Welcome Reception for all competitors will be held at 6pm on Saturday, 16th May 2026. There is no charge for the Welcome Reception.

A Celebration of the 20th ISU Adult International Competition to be held in Oberstdorf will be held at the Oberstdorf Haus following the conclusion of the competitions on Friday, 22nd May 2026. This Celebration is tentatively scheduled to begin at 9pm. There will be welcome drinks, finger food, a live band and drinks to purchase from the bar. Further details to follow!

Tickets for the Closing Celebration are priced at **€18.00** for participants and accompanying adults, and **€7.00** for children. Payment is to be made with the online entry form via Paypal, or via bank transfer.

13. Sportity App

All announcements and updates during the competition will be posted to the Sportity app which can be downloaded from your usual app store. The password will be made available at the competition.

14. Contact Information

Please address enquiries relating to the competition rules and program content to the ISU Adult Figure Skating Group Members:

GENERAL ENQUIRIES AND FREE SKATE, PAIRS FREE SKATE AND ARTISTIC FREE SKATE
John Fisher, Chair, ISU Adult Figure Skating Group
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FREE SKATE, PAIRS FREE SKATE AND ARTISTIC FREE SKATE
Beth Delano, Member, ISU Figure Skating Group
delskater@gmail.com

ICE DANCE
Jan Calnan, Member, ISU Adult Figure Skating Group
jan@calnan.ca

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING
Ville Penttinen, Member, ISU Adult Figure Skating Group
ville@teamplace.fi

Please address all enquiries relating to payment of entry fees, practice ice, training camps and seminars to Felix Mayer (fm@oberstdorf-sport.de). **Please be mindful that Felix is extremely busy in the lead up to the competition**. The answers to most questions are available in this announcement or from previous participants.

15. Oberstdorf Information

The easiest and cheapest way to get to Oberstdorf is by train. For any train journey starting after 09:00 am, the Organizing Committee recommends purchasing a "BayernTicket". This ticket will cover the entire journey from Munich or Memmingen airports to Oberstdorf at a considerable discount to the one-way single fare. Up to five people may travel together on the same Bayern-Ticket. Tickets may also be purchased in advance online at www.bahn.de or using the Deutsche Bahn app. There is also a ticket counter in Terminal 1 of Munich airport and ticket machines are available in both airport terminals and on the platform of the airport train station (S-Bahn).

When booking flights, please confirm that a train is available to take you to and from Oberstdorf. A return flight from Munich Airport before 11:00 am is not recommended because of the time needed to travel from Oberstdorf to Munich either by public transportation or by car.

Most accommodation in Oberstdorf is walking distance from the rink and a car is not necessary unless you plan to stay further away. Bicycles can be rented locally.

For info on accommodation visit: https://www.oberstdorf.de/urlaubszuhause/gastgebersuche/