

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1174

ISU Course for Speed Skating Referees

The ISU has decided to hold a course for Speed Skating Referees, which will be organized by the ISU Speed Skating Technical Committee and the Swedish Skating Association in:

Gothenburg (Göteborg), Sweden, October 10 - 13, 2002

Program

The course will cover all main aspects of the role and the tasks of Referees at ISU Championships and major International Competitions, like the Speed Skating World Cup. Changes in the ISU Special Regulations for Speed Skating and relevant parts of the ISU General Regulations, adopted by the 2002 ISU Congress, will be specially addressed.

The course will include theoretical and practical parts, and various kinds of tests and examinations will be conducted. Group work and workshops will be a main part of the course program. This is based on the assumption that the participating Referees have recent experience as Referees in large competitions, that they are familiar with the 2002 editions of the ISU Special Regulations for Speed Skating and the ISU General Regulations, and that they are able to communicate well in English. Evidence that the entered participants have such an adequate background may be requested by the ISU.

Opening of the course: Thursday, **October 10, 2002** at 20.00 hours (8 p.m.)

End of the course: Sunday, **October 13, 2002** at 10.00 hours (10 a.m.)

Location (official hotel):

Hotel Liseberg Heden

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Course Management

Course coordination: Mr. Jan Marmstål, ISU Speed Skating Technical Committee

Course administration: Mr. Roland E. Maillard, ISU Speed Skating Technical Committee

Technical organization: Mr. Jan Olsson, General Secretary, Swedish Skating Association

Main lecturer: ISU Championships Referee, Mr. Knut Ludahl, Norway

Participants

The course is open to the following categories of participants:

- **Referees for ISU Championships**, as listed in ISU Communication No. 1165 (*ISU Championships Referees*).
- Experienced **International Referees** (named in ISU Communication No. 1165) who are considered for nomination to the 2003/2004 ISU list of Referees for ISU Championships.
- Experienced **International Referees** (named in ISU Communication No. 1165) from ISU Members who will be hosting ISU Speed Skating Championships or Speed Skating World Cup competitions during the seasons 2002/2003 or 2003/2004.

Entries

Entries must reach the following addresses **before September 15, 2002**:

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Please send your entries directly to both the above addresses, giving the *exact information about arrival and departure of the participants*. If visa is needed, please contact the General Secretary of the Swedish Skating Association, Mr. Jan Olsson, at the address above to receive a letter of invitation for named participants.

ISU Members concerned will be informed by September 25, 2002 if some of the entered Referees will not be accepted as participants at the course.

Expenses and financial contributions

The ISU will pay accommodation expenses in the official hotel and meal expenses from the evening dinner on October 10, 2002 up to and including breakfast on October 13, 2002 for the following participants:

- all attending ISU Championships Referees
- a maximum of one International Referee per ISU Member (in addition to ISU Championships Referees from the respective ISU Member who would be attending).

For participants from outside Europe the ISU will pay a travel contribution, subject to submission of actual flight ticket receipts, to a maximum of 1'200 Swiss francs (CHF 1'200) per participant. Such a contribution will only be granted for ISU Championships Referees and a maximum of one additional Referee from the respective ISU Member. For participants from Europe no travel contribution will be paid.

Reimbursement of travel expenses will be made from the ISU Secretariat to the ISU Member concerned after the course has been completed. A copy of the flight ticket must be given to the course administration before the closing of the course.

Expenses and contributions will only be paid by the ISU at the condition that the participants are in attendance during *the whole duration* of the course.

Travel arrangements

Göteborg International Airport *Landvetter* has direct flight connections to cities like Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Helsinki, London, Munich, Paris, Vienna and Zurich. There are very frequent connections (flying time one hour) to Stockholm International Airport *Arlanda*. The airport bus service from Landvetter to the city centre of Göteborg stops close by the official hotel. Buses are leaving every 15 minutes with a travel time of 25 minutes.

Other conditions

It is extremely important that ISU Championships Referees attend this course in order to maintain their activity in accordance with the ISU Regulations. It is essential that Referees considered for future nomination as ISU Championships Referees attend the course in order to prove and improve their qualifications for such a nomination. All lectures, discussions and examinations will be conducted in English and no translation will be offered. Therefore it is necessary that all participants are able to communicate well in English. It is expected that those Referees attending the course will hold similar courses in their own country.

Milano,

August 15, 2002

Lausanne,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, General Secretary