



INVITATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT

**Dutch Open Short Track
Heerenveen, The Netherlands**

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Partners van schaatsend Nederland



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 2022

on 7, 8 and 9 October in the City of Heerenveen

Regulations

Participation in the Dutch Open Short Track (DOS) 2022 is based by invitation only.

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) 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

The Zero false testing rules as mentioned in ISU communication 2510 will be applied for this event.

Program*

October 3, 2022	Monday	20.00	Team Leaders Meeting , online (a link will be sent to the Team Leader whereby he/she can take part)
October 5, 2022	Wednesday	08:00–17:00	Possibility for training
October 6, 2022	Thursday	08:00–17:00	Possibility for training
October 7, 2022 * Subject to number of countries	Friday	09:00*	Start of Competition Qualifying rounds Women and Men 500 m Qualifying rounds Women and Men 1000 m Qualifying rounds Women and Men 1500 m Women 3000 m Relay Men 5000 m Relay Mixed Team Relay
October 8, 2022 * Subject to number of countries	Saturday	09:00* 10:00*	Warming up Women & Men Start of Competition Main program Women and Men 1500 m Main program Women and Men 500 m Women 3000 m Relay Men 5000 m Relay Mixed Team Relay
October 9, 2022 * Subject to number of countries	Sunday	10:00* 11:00*	Warming up Women & Men Start of competition Main program Women and Men 1000 m Women 3000 m Relay Men 5000 m Relay Mixed Team Relay
		16:30	The Competition will end at approximately 16.30 hours

***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, October 6th 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.

Important information concerning COVID-19

At the moment of writing this announcement, the World is still dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. As soon as the situation globally and/or in The Netherlands changes, we will send you the applicable protocol. We will continue to keep you informed about important news and any changes. In the event of a competition cancelation, (due to COVID-19) the host organizer will NOT be responsible for costs (travel, hotel etc.) made by an invited member.

To ensure a safe preparation for the World Cups a few weeks later the following Covid-19 measures will be mandatory:

- All athletes must have been fully vaccinated.
- 24 hours prior to entering the Netherlands a COVID-19 negative PCR result will be required to be sent to the organizing committee.
- Upon arrival in the Netherlands a Rapid Antigen test will be available at the hotel.
- Saturdays 8th prior to the start of the competition a Rapid Antigen Test will be carried out. Should you require a PCR test certificate to be able to travel home please let us know. (€ 60,- per PCR test)

Entries

All skaters will 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 be 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 September 1st, 2022

Final Entries by name must be received by September 27th, 2022

Name changes will not be accepted after October 5th, 2022.

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 **DOS2022**:

Official Hotels: **1. Fletcher Hotel Heidehof**
Golfaan 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
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 .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).

Rates for Parkhotel Tjaarda:
Single room per person per day is € 158,- (half board).
Double room per person per day is € 95,-(half board).

3. Van der Valk Hotel Wolvega
Atalanta 10
8472 CA Wolvega
Phone: +31 561 692 800
E-mail:
<https://www.hotelwolvega.nl>

Van der Valk Hotel Wolvega is 10 km from the Ice Rink (by bike route 10 km, 30 minutes)

Rates for Van der Valk Wolvega

Single room per person per day is € 169,50 (half board).

Double room per person per day is € 120,-- (half board).

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 1st** (on the lunch request form) 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 € 19,50 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.

The KNSB will take all the necessary precautions with regards to the COVID-19 safety and health measures, you will understand that participation is at your own risk. We will follow our national Covid-19 protocols.

In the event that current or changed COVID-19 restrictions are enforced and the KNSB is forced to cancel the event, we will inform you immediately

The KNSB will not liable for any cost incurred (flights/hotel etc) should the competition be canceled due current or newly imposed restrictions related to COVID-19.

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: DOS2022).

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 27th** , and should contain all information requested in the "Travel form".

Organization fee

The Organization fee is € 75,- 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.

Covid Prevention Fee € 750,- per country.

To ensure a safe environment during this competition, it is important that we take all the necessary precautionary measures for a Covid Free environment. This includes creating a 'semi Covid bubble' concept within the Ice Rink. We as an Organizing Committee will incur additional costs for this reason. These 'extra measures' are for your Team's safety moving forward towards the World Cups in North America. We kindly ask your support and understanding in making this event a successful one.

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 Wednesday and Thursday October 5th and 6th, 2022. The training fee is € 250,- per training. 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 1st, 2022** (first come, first serve). During this training session **no** First Aid support is 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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