

ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION

for



10th SANTA CLAUS CUP 2016

International Figure Skating Competition in Single Skating and Ice Dance for

SENIOR, JUNIOR, ADVANCED NOVICE, BASIC NOVICE and YOUNGER

Budapest - Hungary December 6-11, 2016

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WELCOME

The Hungarian National Skating Federation and the Organizing Committee are glad to invite you and your club to participate in the SANTA CLAUS CUP 2016.

INTRODUCTION

The Santa Claus Cup 2016 International Competition in Figure Skating and Ice Dance will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2016, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2016, and the relevant ISU Communications.

All Members of the ISU and Clubs being members of National Skating Federations associated with the ISU, are invited to take part in the competition. **Competitors taking part in the Senior, Junior and Advanced Novice category must be entered through their respective Member Federation.** In case of "Club Entry" the Organizing Committee only accepts the entry for Senior, Junior and Advanced Novice category in case the official Entry Forms are stamped by the Member Federation. Furthermore, in case of "Club Entry" the returned Entry Forms must be officially signed and stamped by the Member Federation to be accepted by the OC.

Participation in the 10th Santa Claus Cup is open to all Competitors 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 Rule 108, paragraph 3 a) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate. Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented for verification at the accreditation of the event.

TECHNICAL DATA

All categories according to ISU rules 2016 and the New Judging System.

Place of competition:	Tuskecsarnok National Sports Centre (1117 Budapest, Magyar tudósok körútja 7.) Rink is indoor, heated ice rink with a surface of 60 x 30 meters, located near the centre of Budapest.	
Date:	6-11. December, 2016	
Organizer:	Hungarian National Skating Federation H-1143 Budapest, Stefánia út 2., Fax: +36 1 251 2279 E-mail: info@hunskate.hu - Web: www.hunskate.hu	
Categories:	<u>Single Skating</u> - Senior, Junior, Advanced Novice, Basic Novice A & B, Cubs, Chicks	
	<u>Ice Dance</u> - Senior, Junior, Advanced Novice, Basic Novice, NON-ISU Basic Novice	



SENIOR CATEGORIES

MEN <u>Short Program</u>	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 2.	
	Duration: 2 min., 40 sec., +/- 10 sec.	
Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.	
	Duration: 4 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.	
LADIES		
<u>Short Program</u>	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016 Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 2.	
	Duration: 2 min., 40 sec., +/- 10 sec.	
Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.	
	Duration: $4 \text{ min.}, +/-10 \text{ sec.}$	
ICE DANCE		
<u>Short Dance</u>	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 709. Rhythms, required elements and guidelines are those listed in ISU Communications 1998, 2003 and subsequent updates.	
	Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec.	
<u>Free Dance</u>	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710. The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communication 1998, 2003 and subsequent updates.	
	Duration: 4 min., $+/-10$ sec.	
JUNIOR CATEGORIES		

MEN <u>Short Program</u>	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016 Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 3 for 2016/17.
	Duration: 2 min., 40 sec., +/- 10 sec.
Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
	Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.
LADIES	
<u>Short Program</u>	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016 Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 3 for 2016/17.



	Duration: 2 min., 40 sec., +/- 10 sec.
Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2016, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
	Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.
ICE DANCE	
<u>Short Dance</u>	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 709. Rhythms, required elements and guidelines are those listed in ISU Communications 1998, 2003 and subsequent updates.
	Duration: 2 min., 50 sec., +/- 10 sec.
Free Dance	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710. The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Communications 1998, 2003 and subsequent updates.
	Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

ADVANCED NOVICE CATEGORIES

Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.

BOYS			
<u>Short Program</u>	Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024. Duration: 2 min., 20 sec., +/- 10 sec.		
Free Skating	Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.		
	Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.		
GIRLS			
<u>Short Program</u>	Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.		
	Duration: 2 min., 20 sec., +/- 10 sec.		
Free Skating	Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.		
	Duration: $3 \min \pm -10$ sec.		
ICE DANCE			
Pattern Dances	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 711 and all pertinent ISU		
Group 1: Group 3:	Communications. Two (2) Pattern Dances are to be skated:#4 European Waltzand#20 Tango#12 Kilianand#23 Blues		

One group of two Pattern Dances shall be drawn before the first practice of the competition from the two groups.



The music requirements for Basic Novice – seen below – apply for Advanced Novice as well. In accordance with the ISU Communication No. 2024, for the season 2016/17, Couples shall provide their own music for the following Pattern Dances: **#4 European Waltz** and **#12 Kilian**

Free DanceIn accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710 and all pertinent ISU
Communications. The required elements to be performed are those listed in ISU
Communications 1932 and 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 3 minutes, +/-10 sec.

BASIC NOVICE CATEGORIES

BASIC NOVICE B GIRLS & BOYS (older subgroup)

<u>Free Skating</u> Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.

BASIC NOVICE A GIRLS & BOYS (younger subgroup)

Free SkatingAge and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating
2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.

BASIC NOVICE ICE DANCE

Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016 and the ISU Communication No. 2024.

<u>Pattern Dances</u> In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rules 711 and all pertinent ISU Communications. Two (2) Pattern Dances are to be skated:

#2 Foxtrot and #5 American Waltz

Rule 707, paragraph 5 provides that, in International Competitions, the current series of ISU Ice Dance music shall be used for the Pattern Dances unless the Ice Dance Technical Committee has decided that the music for one or several Pattern Dances is to be provided by the Couple following certain requirements.

For the season 2016/17, Couples shall provide their own music for the following Pattern Dance:

#2 Foxtrot

<u>Free Dance</u> In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710 and all pertinent ISU Communications.

Duration: 2 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

YOUNGER CATEGORIES

CUBS GIRLS & BOYS - SINGLE SKATING

Age requirements	Cubs 2006 Born after 1 st of July 2006 Cubs 2007 Born after 1 st of July 2007	
Free Skating	Duration – Girls: Duration – Boys:	2 min. +/- 10 sec. 2 min., 30 sec. +/- 10 sec.

A well-balanced Free Skating Program for Cubs must contain:

a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys, and one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Jump combination can contain only two jumps. Only two



jumps with 1, $1\frac{1}{2}$, 2 or $2\frac{1}{2}$ revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence. Triple jumps are not permitted.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.

- c) There must be a maximum:
 - ci. for Girls one (1) step sequence. The sequence (step) will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
 - cii. For Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution

The Factor of the Program Components is 2.5.

Levels explanations:

For Cubs Singles, in all elements, which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

In case the number of entries requires, competitors will be divided into different age groups.

CHICKS GIRLS & BOYS - SINGLE SKATING

Age requirements	Chicks 2008 Born after 1 st of July 2008 Chicks 2009 Born after 1 st of July 2009 and younges	
Free Skating	Duration – Girls: Duration – Boys:	2 min. +/- 10 sec. 2 min. +/- 10 sec.

A well-balanced Free Skating Program for Chicks must contain:

a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys, and one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. A jump combination can contain only two jumps. Only two jumps with 1, $1^{1/2}$, 2 or $2^{1/2}$ revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence. Triple jumps are not permitted.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.

c) There must be a maximum:

- ci. For Girls one (1) choreo sequence with one spiral position with 3 sec. The choreo sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- cii. For Boys one (1) choreo sequence with one spiral position with 3 sec. The choreo sequence will have fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution

The Factor of the Program Components is 2.5.



Levels explanations:

For Chicks Singles, in all elements, which are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

In case the number of entries requires, competitors will be divided into different age groups.

NON ISU BASIC NOVICE - ICE DANCE

The Skaters don't need to meet the age requirements of Rule 108.

<u>Pattern Dances</u> In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rules 710 and all pertinent ISU Communications. The next Pattern Dance is to be skated:

#1 Fourteenstep

Free DanceIn accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2016, Rule 710 and all pertinent ISU
Communications. The required elements to be performed are those listed in ISU
Communications 1932 and 1947 and subsequent updates.

Duration: 2 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.



<u>ENTRIES</u>

ENTRIES BY NAME

All Members / Clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with the ISU, may enter competitors in each category. (Please, be aware that all Club entries must be stamped by the ISU Member Federation.) The OC reserves the right to limit the number of participants to one (1) Entry each category in case of overcrowding. With the Entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must also be returned to the Organizing Committee in due time (**by November 1**st **the latest**). It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet must be filled in precisely by each Skater/team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication. It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting Officials.

ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member may nominate one Judge and one substitute Judge for the event in which the Member has Competitor(s) entered. Only ISU Championships and International Judges will be accepted. The OC reserves the right to limit the number of judges in accordance with the number of the Skaters' Entries. The Organizing Committee will only cover the board and lodging **for judges accepted in the panel only** for the period: from the dinner before the day of their activity until the end of their activity. Please, be aware that judges not involved in the panel have to cover their own expenses (board and lodging).

The confirmation of the list of judges will be announced in due time.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES

Entries must be forwarded to Organizing Committee using the official entry forms latest by

<u>November 1st, 2016</u>

The official forms must be sent to: **SANTA CLAUS CUP 2016 Organizing Committee** Hungarian National Skating Federation E-mail: info@hunskate.hu, Fax: + 36-1-251-2279

ENTRY FEE

65 EURO/person, 100 EURO/couple 20000 HUF / person, 31000 HUF / couple

LATE ENTRY FEE

85 EURO/person, 120 EURO/couple. 26000 HUF / person, 37000 HUF / couple All entries sent after 1st November, 2016 are declared to be late entry.

Entry Fees are requested to be paid by bank transfer latest until 30th November, 2016. Please note that all banking charges have to be borne by the sender.

Bank information:	
Name of the Bank:	MKB BANK ZRT
Address of the Bank:	Váci út 38, Budapest, 1056 Hungary
Bank account name:	MOKSZ
Bank swift code:	MKKBHUHB
Bank account number:	10300002-50100124-21004884
IBAN code:	HU94 10300002-50100124-21004884

Entry fees concerning cancellations arriving after 24:00 o'clock Wednesday, 30 November, 2016 at local time will not be paid back. In case of no-show at the competition the entry fee will not be paid back.



<u>DRAW</u>

Draws for the categories CUBS, CHICKS, BASIC NOVICE will be done by electronic random draw, on the day preceding the event and will be published on the same day.

Concerning the first segment of all the remaining categories (ADVANCE NOVICE, JUNIOR, SENIOR) the starting order draws will be held on the day preceding the event at the venue with the respective Referee. Starting orders for the second segment will be the reverse order of the results of the short programs.

Please be informed that only those competitors, whose entry fee will have arrived until the time of the draw of the given category, will be drawn for the competition.

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation will be at the Ice Rink from Monday, 05 December, 2016 till Friday, 09 December, 2016. Opening hours:

<u>Day</u>	Accreditation	Payment
Monday	12:00 - 20:00	12:00 - 18:00
Tuesday	08:00 - 20:00	08:00 - 18:00
Wednesday	08:00 - 20:00	08:00 - 18:00
Thursday	08:00 - 20:00	08:00 - 18:00
Friday	08:00 - 20:00	08:00 - 18:00

Please note, that payment by bank transfer is welcome, it will fasten the accreditation process. All transfer charges are to be paid by the participant.

In accordance with the ISU Directive please note that at the time of registration (Entry fee, music, hotel arrangements) we have to copy and file the passport of the Skaters (in case you happen to bring it with you or send it by e-mail beforehand it will make us very happy).

EXPENSES

The organizer covers the expenses of competition, organisation, awards, presents and board & lodging only for judges on duty (announced until 25 November, 2016). Travel expenses to and from Budapest, transfer costs to and from the Official Hotel and Airport **will not be covered** by the organizer.

The expenses for rooms and meals, travel and transfer of the Team Leaders, Competitors and other Team officials **will not be covered** by the organizer and are on the account of the Teams.

INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the Santa Claus Cup 2016, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The Organizer assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.



PAYMENTS

Please, be aware that there are three ways for arranging the payment of your costs with the Organizing Committee:

Bank transfer before the event

In case you wish to transfer your costs, please, get in touch with the OC. A Pro Forma invoice will be sent to you which includes the necessary details for making the transfer. **All bank charges are taken by the payer!** Please, do not miss to bring the **proof of bank transfer** with you and show it at registration. **Following the event** payment by bank transfer is **not possible**!

Cash at registration

Accepted currencies: EUR, HUF

Credit card

Accepted credit cards: Visa, Visa Electron, V Pay, Mastercard, Maestro. Please note that American Express is not accepted. In case of credit card payment the OC will charge +2% for the occurring banking fees.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE – STARTING TIMES

Please, be informed that only the daily starting times are fixed. Following the morning start the time schedule of the event is flexible, which means that in case of cancellations certain categories may start some time earlier than in the Preliminary Schedule. Please, be informed that all changes in entries and Preliminary Program might be followed at **www.hunskate.hu** and on the information board in the ice rink.

MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

In accordance with Communication No. 2034.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best placed Skaters/Couples in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medallists. All participants will receive a diploma with their placement. The exact time of the Awarding Ceremonies will be announced in the detailed schedule in due time. Please make sure that all skaters are represented at the Ceremony.

ARRIVAL OF JUDGES AND OFFICIALS

Judges and officials taking part in the Competition are requested to announce the flight/train numbers, dates and times of arrival and departure or any other information concerning transportation to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but no later than **November 30, 2016**.

TRANSPORTATION

Please, be aware that the Organizing Committee **does not provide** any transportation to the participants. However, we suggest that you use the Official Airport Shuttle service, Minibud, which is the official partner of Budapest Airport.

Please find more info at: https://www.minibud.hu/en



<u>ACCOMMODATION</u>

The official hotel prices are the following:

IBIS STYLES BUDAPEST CITY - hotel for competitors

H-1095 Budapest, Soroksári út 12.

Ibis Styles Budapest City is located on the bank of river Danube in the city centre with a picturesque view of the Castle.

Type of room	Rate with breakfast and taxes
SINGLE ROOM	70 €/night/person
DOUBLE ROOM	40 €/night/person

Please note, there are no triple rooms available in this hotel!

LEONARDO HOTEL BUDAPEST - hotel for officials

H-1094 Budapest, Tompa utca 30.

Only a few minutes walking distance from the city centre and the Danube, the **Leonardo Hotel Budapest** is located at the flourishing business district of Ferencváros. It offers prime contemporary facilities. To escape from daily routine, guests enjoy the free entrance to the gym. Spoil yourself with sensual delights at the Courtyard Restaurant with international and traditional Hungarian cuisine. Gourmets appreciate the Hummus Bar Bistro for its first-class choice. Great for light fare between meals is the 24/7 Grab 'n' Go-station with a choice of tasty snacks and drinks.

Type of room	Rate with breakfast and taxes
SINGLE ROOM	70 €/night/person
DOUBLE ROOM	40 €/night/person

In order to be able to provide the above mentioned special room rates at the official hotels, the room reservations for all team members have to be done exclusively through the Organizing Committee with the use of the Hotel Sheet.

CANCELLATION

Please, be informed that the Organizing Committee can only accept hotel **cancellations 5 days before** the arrival, in writing. In case the OC does not receive your cancellation, 1 nights' cost and entry fee will be charged on the participant.

The cost of accommodation is requested to be paid either by bank transfer or in cash / credit card at the accreditation at the latest (for details about bank transfer payment please, see the 'EXPENSES' and 'PAYMENTS' section). All extra expenses incurred by any person will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior departure at the hotel.

For further information, please contact:

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We hope to see you in Budapest!



PRELIMINARY PROGRAM SCHEDULE (Subject to change)

Tuesday, 06 December, 2016	6:00-7:45 08:00	Practice Competition FS Chicks Boys Free FS Chicks Girls Free FS Cubs Boys Free FS Cubs Girls Free FS Basic Novice B Boys Free FS Basic Novice B Girls Free
Wednesday, 07 December, 2016	6:00-7:45 8:00	Practice Competition FS Basic Novice A Boys Free FS Basic Novice A Girls Free FS Advanced Novice Boys Short FS Advanced Novice Girls Short FS Junior Men Short
Thursday, 08 December, 2016	6:00-7:45 8:00	Practice Competition FS Advanced Novice Boys Free FS Advanced Novice Girls Free FS Junior Men Free FS Junior Ladies Short
Friday, 09 December, 2016	6:00-7:45 8:00	Practice Competition FS Senior Men Short FS Senior Ladies Short FS Junior Ladies Free
Saturday, 10 December, 2016	6:00-7:45 8:00	Practice Competition ID Non-ISU Basic Novice Pattern Dance ID Basic Novice Pattern Dances 1-2 ID Advanced Novice Pattern Dances 1-2 FS Senior Men Free ID Junior Short Dance ID Senior Short Dance
Sunday, 11 December, 2016	6:00-7:45 8:00	Practice Competition ID Non-ISU Basic Novice Free Dance ID Basic Novice Free Dance ID Advanced Novice Free Dance FS Senior Ladies Free ID Junior Free Dance ID Senior Free Dance

SANTA CLAUS CUP 2016

6th – 11th December, 2016 - Budapest, Hungary



DRAW

Please, be informed that the Draw will be held on the previous day of the competition concerned. Due to the no shows which influence the Time Schedule the OC applies the following procedure:

Only those competitors will be drawn for the competition whose entry fee arrived until the time of the draw of the given category (only bank transfer is accepted, full amount is to arrive to the bank account).

STARTING TIMES

Please, keep in mind that only daily starting times are fixed. Following the morning start the time schedule of the event is flexible, which means that in case of cancellations certain categories may start some time earlier than it is indicated in the Preliminary Schedule. Please, be informed that all changes in entries and Preliminary Program may be followed at www.hunskate.hu and in the ice rink on the information board.