



FIRST INFORMATION

EUROPEAN NOVICE ICE DANCE DEVELOPMENT CAMP



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Budapest - Practice Ice Rink

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Budapest, Hungary, 3-8 August 2026

Welcome to Budapest,

The Hungarian National Skating Federation is pleased to organize a dual-track ice dance development camp supported by the ISU Development Program and designed to encourage the improvement of novice-aged athletes and the education of coaches.

It is our honour to contribute to your successful preparation for season 2026/27. The Organizing Committee prepared this First Information document to make sure your visit is smoothly organized and memorable for all the right reasons. We kindly ask you to read this guide carefully and contact us if you have further questions.

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Venue and Location:

The camp is held in the Budapest Practice Ice Rink located at the address of 3-5 Istvánmezei street, Budapest, 1146 Hungary (district XIV). Entrance is available through the gate of the Olympic Centre at 3 Szabó József street as the below map suggests.



This venue is home to the Hungarian National Skating Federation, our short track Olympic and junior teams, along with the junior and novice ice dancers, and the national synchro team. Therefore, the rink has a movable padding system instead of ice hockey boards and presents a feel-at-home environment.

If this is your first time in Budapest, you will find that it's a beloved destination of tourists and sports communities from all around the world thanks to its central European location and easy accessibility whether you choose to arrive by plane, train, bus or car. The city has one major international airport, the Liszt Ferenc International Airport (BUD) and three international railway stations: Keleti, Nyugati and Déli. Moreover, it can easily be accessed through cars and buses as all major highways end here.

Technical Meeting:

On the day of arrival, we organize a Technical Meeting at 19:00 (7 pm) in the hotel to officially open the camp and carry out registration.

Accommodation and Catering:

Participants of the camp will be accommodated in the Lion's Garden Hotel, which is in a 5-minute walking distance from the venue. It is a 4-star hotel with a wellness section, so make sure you pack your swimwear. Breakfast and dinner will be served in its restaurant.

Address of the hotel (with breakfast and dinner): 4 Cházár András street, Budapest, 1146 Hungary.

More information about the hotel is available here: www.lions-garden.com

Lunch will be provided in the Stefánia Restaurant, located in a 10-minute walking distance from the venue. The service will include soup for starter, a main course and dessert.

Address of the restaurant (for lunch): 32 Stefánia street, Budapest, 1143 Hungary

Payment:

As the Announcement clearly states, participation in the camp is subject to a fee of

- a. 500 EUR per Ice Dance Couple**
- b. 150 EUR per Coach**

which includes accommodation, meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner), training facility fees, and other camp-related costs, from dinner on Monday, 3rd of August 2026, through lunch on Saturday, 8th of August 2026.

The Participation Fee must be paid following the confirmation of acceptance and no later than 26th of July 2026.

Participants are responsible for the travel expenses to and from Budapest, along with their health and travel insurance as athletes and coaches both take part in the camp at their own responsibility and liability.

Safety and Well-Being:

Our Federation is committed to creating and ensuring a safe and healthy environment for all members of the skating community. Thus, if any of you feel a boundary has been crossed or you were treated inappropriately, please contact our Safeguarding Focal Point in the rink or via e-mail to safeguarding@hunskate.hu

It is important to note that each participant is subject to the Hungarian National Skating Federation's [Code of Ethics](#) and the [Ethics, Child Protection and Safeguarding Regulations](#). Through these documents we aim to help the better understanding of expected and acceptable behaviours and the importance of asking for help if needed.

Additionally, each adult participant is obliged to confirm they have read and understood the [ISU Code of Ethics](#) and the [Safeguarding Code of Conduct](#). **The latter will need to be signed and submitted to safeguarding@hunskate.hu until 3rd August 2026.**

The documents are available at the [SAFEGUARDING – GYERMEKVÉDELEM section](#) on our website.

As the camp is organized for novice categories, we also ask each skater to **submit their signed Parental / Guardian Consent form** along with the application or directly to safegaurding@hunskate.hu until 3rd of August 2026 at the latest.

Medical Information:

We provide medical supervision (1 person) for the ice sessions of the camp.

Medical services for foreign citizens in Hungary are only available if one's holding valid personal accident and health insurance. Please make sure your insurance document and passport are always at hand. For residents of the European Union, it is advised that before travelling to Hungary you request the European Health Insurance Card from your national health insurance provider. It is a free card that provides access to healthcare during your stay in Hungary the same way as for Hungarians. Should you receive this card, add it to the items you always keep at hand.

Outside of the European Union please check your insurance policy and options prior to your travel.

Discover Budapest:

The capital city of Hungary offers lots of exciting opportunities to spend your free time. Think about outdoor cinemas, candle lake concerts, lovely bistros or walks along the Danube just to mention a few ideas. For more inspiration, you can check the following site: <https://www.budapestinfo.hu/en>

Transportation:

Should you choose to explore what the city has to offer further to the ice rink, you can use a wide range of public transportation (buses, subways, trolley buses, trams, metros), taxi, and car sharing options.

For more information on public transportation, please visit the site of BKK:
<https://bkk.hu/en/>

If you prefer car rides, you may download the BOLT app (<https://shorturl.at/Vl7Oh>) or Uber (<https://www.uber.com/hu/en/>)

Electricity:

The electricity in Hungary is 220V (230V), 50 Hz and a two-pin plug system is used.

Time Zone:

Central European Time (CET) (GMT+1)

Weather:

The weather is typically hot in early August as the highest temperature can be around 30 °C. However, heatwaves and storms cannot be ruled out either.

Financial Trivia:

The national currency is the Hungarian Forint (HUF, Ft). The exchange rate for 1 Euro is around 350 HUF.

Hungarian banks are open on weekdays usually between 8:00-16:00 (8 am-4 pm), while several ATMs are available for cash withdrawal throughout the city (not just within bank facilities) which operate 24/7.

Most major credit cards are accepted (e.g. Mastercard, Visa) except for American Express in some places.

In restaurants, a 10% tip is considered appropriate but unless the service fee is included in the bill, tipping is mandatory and expresses satisfaction with the provided service.

Sustainability:

In order to reduce waste, Hungary introduced the 'Repont' renewal system by which customers can exchange the renewable plastic, metal or glass bottles via reverse vending machines and receive HUF 50 in exchange which can be used as a voucher in a grocery store or donated to charity. The bottles collected this way will then be sorted to recycling plants and used to make new packaging among other things. You can find the location of the machines at the following link <https://repont.hu/en/return-point-finder>. It is strongly recommended that you use these machines to get rid of your bottles.

Throughout the camp, we'll provide refreshments via a water dispenser instead of bottled water, so please make sure you bring your own bottles or cups you can refill.

Telephone Instructions:

The emergency number is 112 and free to call (just dial 112 and press call).

The country code for local numbers is +36 (or 00 36).