

On behalf of the National Skating Federation of Kazakhstan and
Agency of the Republic of Kazakhstan of Sports and Physical Training Affairs
We have the honor and pleasure to invite you to a regional competition in the

ISU Junior WORLD CUP SPEED SKATING 2012/13

which will be held at Ice Palace "Alau"
in Astana, Kazakhstan
on January 19-20, 2013.

The Competition will be held under the 2012 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 1753.

PROGRAM

Friday	January 18	16:00	Team Leader's meeting	Ice palace "Alau"
		18:00	Opening draw	Ice palace "Alau"
Saturday	January 19	12:00*	500m (1)	Ladies
			500m (1)	Men
			1000m	Ladies
			1000m	Men
			3000m	Ladies
			3000m	Ladies
Sunday	January 20	12:00*	500m (2)	Ladies
			500m (2)	Men
			1500m	Ladies
			1500m	Men
			Mass Start (8 laps)	Ladies
			Mass Start (12 laps)	Men

Quartet starts will be used in the 3000m according to ISU Communication No. 1753, paragraph 5.1 b).

TRACK

The Ice Palace "Alau" is an artificially frozen indoor skating rink with a standard speed skating track of 400 meters to the lap. The radii of the inner and outer competition lanes are 26 and 30 meters respectively. The width of each competition lane is 4 meters with an inside training lane of 4 meters.

ENTRIES

Entries for this competition will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and Communication No. 1753, paragraph 4.

Participation is open to Junior A and Junior B Skaters as per ISU Rule 108.

Preliminary entries, giving the number of coaches and other team staff, the number of Competitors, and substitutes, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and the team leader must be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but at the latest by, **Wednesday December 26, 2012**.

Final entries, with the names of the Competitors and available substitutes as well as the names of the team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom the ISU Member is requesting an accreditation, must reach the Organizing Committee not later than 20.00 (local time) on **Thursday January 10, 2013**, (according to ISU Communication № 1753, paragraph 4.3).

Entries by fax or e-mail must be confirmed by a letter sent out simultaneously to the Organizers (Rule 115, paragraph 5).

Please note that for all persons entered by the Members, the procedures regarding the Declaration for Competitors and Officials (all team officials, requiring an accreditation) entering ISU Events (Rule 131) as outlined in ISU Communication No. 1628, need to be strictly observed.

For more details please refer to Rules 115, 131 and 208 and ISU Communication No. 1753 or any update of this Communication.

ENTRY QUOTAS

An ISU Member may enter a maximum of 10 Competitors per category (10 Ladies and 10 Men) Subject to achieved qualifying times below, maximum of five (5) Competitors may be entered for each individual event (distance).

ISU Members entering participants for this Competition may not enter participants for any of the ISU regional Junior World Cup Competitions 2012/13 to be held in Baselga di Pine, ITA and Roseville, USA.

QUALIFYING TIMES

Entered Skaters (including substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times for the respective distances listed in ISU Communication No.1753, paragraph 4.1.

	<i>Junior Ladies</i>	<i>Junior Men</i>
500 m	45,00	41,00
1000 m	1.30,00	1.22,00
1500 m	2.20,00	2.07,00
3000 m	5.00,00	4.25,00

For the results to be a valid qualifying time, it must have been achieved in the period between July 1, 2011 and the entry deadline indicated in the paragraph "Entries" above.

MASS START EVENT

Mass start races will be organized in accordance with Rule 253, paragraph 4 b) with specific rules and adjustments as mentioned in ISU Communication № 1753, paragraph 5.3. The distances will be 8 laps for Ladies and 12 laps for Men.

GROUPING AND DRAWING PROCEDURES

The grouping and drawing of pairs will be according to ISU Communication No.1753, paragraphs 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4.

POINTS

For each distance Junior World Cup points will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 1753, paragraph 7.2, table "A".

PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to the three best Skaters in each event (distance). Junior World Cup points gained will count towards the final ISU Junior World Cup ranking 2012/13. Prize Money will be awarded for the three (3) best Skaters for each distance in the final ISU Junior World Cup ranking at the end of the season.

ANTI-DOPING

Doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Code. (ISU Communications No. 1693, 1694, 1765 and 1766 or any further update of these Communications).

TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from **Tuesday, January 15, 2013**.

Trial starts will be organized on **Friday, January 18, 2013**.

Details will be announced in the information booklet.

Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS & CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 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.

LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, National Skating Federation (of Kazakhstan) and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with the ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto

BOARD AND LODGING

In accordance with ISU Communication No. 1753, paragraph 10.f), the Organizing Committee will cover room and meal expenses at the official Hotel(s) for up to three (3) Skaters or, alternatively, for two (2) Skaters and one (1) team leader from each participating Member (based on one double room and one single room), beginning with dinner on the evening of **Friday, January 18, 2013** and ending with breakfast on the morning of **Monday, January 21, 2013**. (See attachment for more information and hotel costs).

HOTEL RESERVATION / OFFICIAL HOTEL(S)

The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the competitors in the following hotels:

Hotel Alau

47, Kabanbay Batyr Avenue.
010000 Astana, Republic of Kazakhstan,
Administration: +7 (7172) 706-773
Reception: +7 (7172) 706-767
www: <http://alau.info/eng/hotel/>
e-mail: hotel@alau.info

Prices for room (and meals) not covered by the Organizing Committee will be as follows:
Single Room occupancy: 23 000 tenge (154 USD) per room per night. Prices including meals.
Double Room occupancy; 36 000 tenge (241 USD) per room per night. Prices including meals.
Triple Room occupancy; 46 500 tenge (312 USD) per room per night. Prices including meals.
The payment must be arranged with the Organizing Committee of the ISU Junior World Cup.
Please note that the number of double and single rooms is limited.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel. The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members.

Names and functions of all team officials must be submitted together with the final entries for the competition, in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1753, paragraph 10.

TRANSPORTATION

Astana International Airport (www.astanaairport.kz) connects with direct international flights to Moscow several times per day, and have also connections with other capital cities. The Organizing Committee will provide transportation to and from the Astana International Airport from **Tuesday, January 15, 2013** up to and including **Monday, January 21, 2013**.

The Organizing Committee would like to be informed about the time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials as soon as possible, **but no later than Friday, December 28, 2012**.

Shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice rink from **Tuesday, January 15, 2013**.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact the National Skating Federation of Kazakhstan if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

Full name as passport, date of birth, gender, citizenship, current country of residence, passport number, issue date, expiry date, status, city of visa application, date of arrival, date of departure and colored photo.

In order to have the necessary visas completed in due time please submit all this information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, but not later than **Monday, December 31, 2012**.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE – ENTRIES AND INQUIRIES

All entries, hotel reservations and other inquiries should be addressed to the Organizing Committee or National Skating Federation of Kazakhstan at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

Please also consult information available on the National Skating Federation website: www.skating.kz

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