INTERNATIONAL FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION





Volvo Open Cup22th 07.11-10.11.2013

Riga, Latvia

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ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION

GENERAL:

The Volvo Open Cup Figure Skating and Ice Dance is an International Competition for Men ,Ladies and Ice Dance (Novices,Juniors,Seniors). It will be conducted in accordance with ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2012 & Technical Rules 2012 and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the Volvo Cup is open to all Competitiors who belong to an ISU Member.

ORGANIZER: Figure Skating Club "Kristal Ice", Riga, Latvia

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DATE:

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PLACE OF COMPETITION:

Main Arena: **Volvo Ice Rink,**Jurmalas gatve 78 D, Riga, Latvia.
(an indoor ice-rink with ice surface of 28 x 58 m, air-conditioned and heated)

Practice Arena: Volvo Ice Rink, Jurmalas Gatve 78 D, Riga, (covered ice rink with ice surface of 28 x 58 m)

Both rinks are in same building.

ENTRIES for EVENT:

All the members of ISU and Clubs, being members of National Skating Federations associated with ISU, are invited to take part in competition.

Each entry form must be signed by an authorized ISU Member Representative such as President, General Secretary or Executive Director.

Members can enter up to 3 Skaters/Couples into each category.

Substitute Skaters/Couples may be nominated in entry form.

Due to number of entries it will be decided how many additional Skaters /Couples can be accepted.

Organizer has a right to refuse or limit the participation in competition. Attached entry forms have to be filled in precisely and can be sent by <u>e-mail</u> on the address given below by 07 of October 2013.

All the non-ISU youngsters categories have to sent entry forms by same dates. Technical data is attached below.

The deadline for entries is 07.10.2013

E-mail: Kristal_ice@hello.lv

Participation, Citizenship/Residency requirements and Clearance Procedure

All participants must meet participation, citizenship and residency requirements of Rule 109,paragraphs 1 though 5 and ISU communication 1420 or any update of this Communication.

At accreditation skaters must provide their passports and their ISU Clearance Sertificate, if necessary.

ENTRY FEE:

SINGLES

Advanced Novice, Junior, Senior category - 75 euro Basic Novice – 60 euro

ICE DANCE COUPLE - 90 euro

ENTRY FEE PAYMENT:

Entry fees must be payed after confirmation of member participation. Entry fees must be payed with one (1) transaction for all the country/member participants.

All the member will not take part in competition in a case of not payed participant. Organizer will not return entry fees but the participant's prize will be awarded to the canceled participant or him/her team.

With the deadline of entries Entry Fees have to be transferred to following bank account .

Sia "Kristal Ice"
LV 40003763273
DnB bank
LV21RIKO0002930054380 - account number for euro payments
S.W.I.F.T. RIKO LV 2X
LV21RIKO

<u>Please note : Entries are only accepted if entry fee had arrived at the Organizers account. A respective confirmation will be forwarded to the Members concerned.</u>

EXPENSES:

All participants and teams must pay the accommodation and transportation themselves. Organizer will not cover any expences of competitiors.

OFFICIALS:

Members are kindly requested to nominate one International/ISU TS,TC or JUDGE. Double duty (Singles/Ice Dance) are very welcome. The nomination of one substitute is appreciated.

The final composition of the panels will be done after the close of entries and will be published to participating Member in time.

The Organizer will cover the accommodation for INVITED officials only.

Meals for invited officials will be provided at the ice-rink during the days of competition.

RESPONSABILITY:

In accordance to ISU Constitution, rule 119, all participants act at their own responsibility.

PROTESTS:

Each team has the right to submit protest against the judges' decision. Protests must be submitted to the Referee of the relevant event at the latest immediately after the event. Upon the submission of the protest a protest fee of 50 EUR must be paid. The referee's decision is final. In the new ISU Judging Systems no protests can be filed against the judges (see Rule 123), but against the right determination of the executed element or any calculation error. In the ISU Judging System protest can be summitted in 24 hours after subsegmen (e.g. Short Program) and before the awarding ceremony after the final segment (e.g. Free Skating). Protest must be done in a writted form to the referee of the relevant segment. Please read ISU Rule 123.

THE CODE OF ETHICKS:

All the skaters, coaches, judges, chaperons should follow the ISU com. 1433. Action against this rule conducts behind itself the disqualification of skater.

MUSIC:

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on CD format. In accordance with Rule 343 all discs must have Competitor's name, Member's name and the exact running time of the Music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENTS:

All athletes who participate in competition must send their planned program contents by the 20.10.2013.

Planned Program Contents Sheets (see Appendix 2) must be filled according to ISU Nomenclature for season 2013/2014 (available on www.isu.org).

Please send them to: kristal_ice@hello.lv

AWARDS:

The first Three best placed competitors in each event will be awarded by Medals or Trophies, special presents and diplomas; others by diplomas and presents

RESULTS:

The determination and publication of the results will be done according to ISU Technical Rules for Singles & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2012, Rule 352, Rule 353

Result information and detailed protocols will be avaliable on listed websites: http://kristalice.lv

ACCOMODATION:

The Organizer will make the room arrangements for **INVITED** officials only. Skaters ,coaches and other team members can book accommodation themselves

OFFICIAL HOTEL:

Official hotel for skaters is MARITIM PARK HOTEL 4*

Draw and all the information as starting orders, results, protocols will be available there during competitions.

Transfer from hotel till/from icerink and till/from airport will be available for special price. All the skaters can use parking, fitness and wifi free of charge.

Special prices for hotel reservation using code "KRISTAL ICE/VOLVO CUP"

single room - 50 euro double room - 60 euro tripple room - 75 euro extra bed - 20 euro including breakfast

e`mail for reservations : liene@maritim.lv

The "MARITIM PARK HOTEL, 4* (5 min from icerink by bus, transfer for additional special price is available);

All rooms are equipped with: air conditioner bath or shower, hair dryer, satellite TV, Internet connection, direct-dial telephone and fridge. The above mentioned rates are in EUR per room per night and they include the following services: Accommodation in required room category, **MARITIM** Breakfast Buffet, Service Charges, VAT, Parking lot.

TIMETABLE:

The competition will start on Thursday ,November 7 and will be finished on Sunday,November 10.Detailed time schedule will be send to all members soon after the close of entries.



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TECHNICAL DATA

ALL THE CATEGORIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ISU RULES

<u>2013/2014</u>

Livestream video will be available during competition at:

http://www.ustream.tv/channel/VolvoCup



TECHNICAL DATA FOR YOUNGSTERS AND NON ISU CATEGORIES

Technical data for Volvo Cup season 2013/2014

All the ISU categories (Basic Novice A&B, Advanced Novice, Junior, Senior, Ice-Dance) will be judged in accordance with the latest ISU RULES and communications

NON ISU Ice Dance (Basic Novice Ice Dance couples who is not reached official age for ISU requirements)

2013/2014

A class
CHICKS A Free Skating only

Girls and Boys (2005/2006 and younger) 2 min., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of four (4) jump elements (one of which must be an Axel type jump);
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences (jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps)
- c) maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (minimum of 3 revolutions each);
- d) one (1) step sequence.

CUBS A Free Skating only

Girls and Boys (2003/2004) 2 min. 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of four (4) jump elements (one of which must be an Axel type jump);
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences (Only one jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps);
- maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature, one of which must be a spin combination with one (1) change of foot and at least one (1) change of position (minimum of three (3) revolutions on each foot), one spin is optional (minimum of three (3) revolutions);
- d) one step sequence.

IMPORTANT!

- 1. In all categories listed above the Program Components are only judged in
 - Skating Skills
 - Transitions
 - Performance, program composition, music interpretation

The Factor of the Program Components is

- for boys **2.0**
- for girls **1.7**
- 2. In all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to <u>Level 2</u> will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.
- 3. Evaluation is in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1724 (or any update of this Communication).
- 4. No jump with the same name may be repeated more than twice including Axel type jumps.
- 5. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two (2) most difficult jumps will be counted.
- 6. Time violation 0.5 point deduction for every 5 seconds in excess.
- 7. Falls 0.5 point deduction for every fall

B class

Pre-Chicks B Free Skating only

Girls and Boys (2007 and younger) 2 min., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of four (4) jump elements minimum of two (2) jump elements
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences (jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump combination containing three (3) jumps is not allowed);
- c) maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (minimum of 3 revolutions each);
- d) one (1) step sequence.
- Axel, Lutz, Flip and double (2) jumps are not allowed in pre-chicks category!!!

CHICKS B Free Skating only

Girls and Boys (2005/2006 and younger) 2 min., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of four (4) jump elements
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences (NB! A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump combination containing three (3) jumps is not permitted);

- c) maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (minimum of 3 revolutions each);
- d) one (1) step sequence.
- Axel and double (2) jumps are not allowed

CUBS B Free Skating only

Girls and Boys (2003/2004) 2 min. 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of four (4) jump elements;
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences (Only one jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps);
- c) maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (minimum of three (3) revolutions);
- d) one step sequence.
- Axel and one (1) double jump are allowed not more than two (2) times.

SPRINGS B Free Skating only

Girls and Boys (2001/2002) 2 min. 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of five (5) jump elements (one of which must be an Axel type jump:
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences (Only one jump combination may consist of three (3) jumps);
- c) maximum of three (3) spins of a different nature (minimum of three (3) revolutions);
- d) one step sequence.
- Maximum 2 (two) different double jumps are allowed and they cannot be repeated more than twice.

IMPORTANT!!!

- 1. In all categories listed above the Program Components are only judged in
 - Skating Skills
 - Transitions
 - Performance, program composition, music interpretation

The Factor of the Program Components is

- for boys **2.0**
- for girls **1.7**
- 2. In all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to <u>Level Base</u> will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.
- 3. Evaluation is in accordance with ISU Communication No. 1724 (or any update of this Communication).
- 4. No jump with the same name may be repeated more than twice including Axel type jumps.

- 5. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two (2) most difficult jumps will be counted.
- 6. Time violation 0.5 point deduction for every 5 seconds in excess
- 7. Falls Pre-Chicks, Chicks, Cubs
 Springs

 0.25 point deduction for every fall
 0.5 point deduction for every fall

NOVICE B Free Skating only

Age limits:

- has reached at least the age of ten (10)
- has not reached the age of thirteen (15)

before July 1st preceding the event 3 min., +/- 10 sec.

a) Maximum of 5 jump elements for Girls and 6 jump elements for Boys one of which must be an Axel type jump.

There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted.

Any jump with the same name cannot be included more than two (2) times in total.

- b) There must be a maximum of three (3) spins of a different nature, one of which must be a spin combination (minimum of ten (10) revolutions in total), one a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance (minimum of five (5) revolutions in total) and one spin is optional (minimum of five (5) revolutions).
- c) There must be a maximum:
- (i) **for Girls** one (1) step sequence or one (1) spiral sequence consisting of maximum two (2) spiral positions. The sequence (step or spiral) will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- (ii) **for Boys** maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- Double Axel and triple jumps are not allowed.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution
- Interpretation

The Factor of the Program Components is

- for boys **2.0**
- for girls **1.7**

Levels explanations:

In all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to <u>Level 2</u> will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

JUNIOR B Free Skating only

3 min., +/- 10 sec.

- a) maximum of five (5) jump elements one of which must be an Axel type jump;
- b) maximum of two (2) jump combinations or sequences;
- c) three (3) spins of a different nature, one of which must be a spin combination (minimum of ten (10) revolutions in total), one a flying spin (minimum of six (6) revolutions) and one spin is optional (minimum of six (6) revolutions);
- d) one(1) step sequence.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance/Execution
- Interpretation

The factor for the Program Components is

- <u>for boys</u> 2.0
- for girls 1.7

Levels explanations:

In all elements which are subject to Levels, only features up to <u>Level 2</u> will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

BEGINNERS

6.0 Judging system

Beginnersborn 2000/2001/2002/2003 and youngerGirls, BoysFree Program:max. 2:00 min (± 10 sek)

(axel and double jumps are forbidden)

Free program 2:00 minutes ± 10 sec.

- 1. Maximum five (5) jump elements
- at least two (2) of them are solo jumps
- at least one (1) and no more than three (3) are jump combinations or sequences
- 2. At least one (1) but not more than two (2) spins min. three (3) revolutions.
- 3. Step sequence (2/3 cover of the ice), (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Axel and double jumps are not allowed!

Beginners born 1995 -1999

Girls, Boys Free Program: max. 2:30 min (± 10 sek)
(Maximum 1A and 1 double jump are allowed)

Free program 2:30 minutes ± 10 sec.

- 1. Maximum five (5) jump elements
- at least two (2) of them are solo jumps
- at least one (1) and no more than three (3) are jump combinations or sequences
- 2. At least one (1) but not more than two (2) spins min. four (4) revolutions.
- 3. Step sequence (2/3 cover of the ice), (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Maximum one (1) Axel and one (1) double jump are allowed, which may be repeated only once in a

jump combination/sequence!

Beginners born 1985 -1995

Girls, Boys Free Program: max. 2:30 min (± 10 sek)

(Maximum 1A and 1 double jump are allowed)

Free program 2:30 minutes ± 10 sec.

1. Maximum five (5) jump elements

- at least two (2) of them are solo jumps
- at least one (1) and no more than three (3) are jump combinations or sequences
- 2. At least one (1) but not more than two (2) spins min. four (4) revolutions.
- 3. Step sequence (2/3 cover of the ice), (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Maximum one (1) Axel and one (1) double jump are allowed, which may be repeated only once in a

jump combination/sequence!

Hobby Class

Adults born from 1984 and older

ISU Judging system

Gold ladies and men Free program: max. 2:40 min (± 10 sek)

Silver ladies and men Free program: max. 2:00 min (± 10 sek)

Bronze ladies and men Free program: max. 1:40 min (± 10 sek)

Girls and Boys (born 2000,2001,2002,2003 and younger)

Free program 2:00 minutes ± 10 sec.

- 1. Maximum five (5) jump elements
- at least two (2) of them are solo jumps
- at least one (1) and no more than three (3) are jump combinations or sequences
- 2. At least one (1) but not more than two (2) spins min. three (3) revolutions.
- 3. Step sequence (2/3 cover of the ice), (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Axel and double jumps are not allowed!

Girls and Boys (born 1995-1999)

Free program 2:30 minutes ± 10 sec.

- 1. Maximum five (5) jump elements
- at least two (2) of them are solo jumps
- at least one (1) and no more than three (3) are jump combinations or sequences
- 2. At least one (1) but not more than two (2) spins min. four (4) revolutions.
- 3. Step sequence (2/3 cover of the ice), (straight line, circular or serpentine).

Maximum one (1) Axel and one (1) double jump are allowed, which may be repeated only once in a

jump combination/sequence!