



**CROATIAN SKATING FEDERATION
and
SKATING CLUB MEDVEŠČAK**

are honored to invite you
to join the

33rd GOLDEN BEAR

to be held in Zagreb – CROATIA

on October 21– 25, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENT

International Competition for Singles and Pairs

**SENIOR
JUNIOR
ADVANCED NOVICE**

GENERAL REGULATIONS

The 33rd Golden Bear will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution 2025, Competition & Event Regulations 2026, Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the 33rd Golden Bear is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Competition & Event Regulations 2026, Article 7.2, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Article 9.3.1, and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirement in Article 8 and ISU Communication 2526 or any update of this Communication. In accordance with Article 8 and ISU Communication 2526, 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 at the accreditation of the event for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective ISU Member Federation.

Place and date

The 33rd Golden Bear will be held in Zagreb – Croatia, on October 21 – 25, 2026 in the Zagreb Fair Ice Rink, Jozefa Antala bb, Zagreb.

The Ice Rink (30x60m) is indoor and heated.



Sportity App

The Sportity-app can be downloaded via Google Playstore or Apple app store. All relevant competition information will be published on the App (incl. Entries & Results). There will be no information boards on site and all participants are kindly asked to use the app instead.

Password: goldenbear26

TECHNICAL DATA

SENIOR MEN	Short Program	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 611 Duration: 2:40 +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 612 Duration: 4:00 +/- 10 sec.
SENIOR WOMEN	Short Program	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 611 Duration: 2:40. +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 612 Duration: 4:00 +/- 10 sec.
JUNIOR MEN	Short Program	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 611 Duration: 2:40 +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 612 Duration: 3:30 +/- 10 sec.
JUNIOR WOMEN	Short Program	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 611 Duration: 2:40 +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2026, Rule 612 Duration: 4:00 +/- 10 sec.
ADVANCED NOVICE BOYS	Short Program	ISU Communication 2770 Duration: 2:20 +/-10 sec.
	Free Skating	ISU Communication 2770 Duration: 3:00 +/- 10 sec.
ADVANCED NOVICE GIRLS	Short Program	ISU Communication 2770 Duration: 2:20 +/-10 sec.
	Free Skating	ISU Communication 2770 Duration: 3:00 +/- 10 sec.

ENTRIES

Each ISU Member can enter up to three (3) skaters/couples in each category. Preference will be given to those ISU Members which sent entries by number, in order of receipt of such entries. A waiting-list will be kept up to date daily. In case of too many entries, the organizer may reduce the final entries. All Entries must be made by the ISU Member concerned through the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) by the deadline indicated. Only the first 30 skaters placed after the Short Program will qualify for the Free Skating.

With the online entry the "Program Content Sheet" must also be filled out in the ISU Portal. It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting Officials.

Entries by name

The Entries by names must be done through the ORS not later than **October 5, 2026 – 20:00 h (CET)**.

Entry fee

Single Skating EUR 125,00

Pair Skating EUR 175,00

Payment deadline (payment must be received on the Organizing Committees bank account by):
October 1, 2026

Banking fees must be covered by the payer.

Late Entry Fee (for registrations after the entry deadline and/or payments after the payment deadline)

Single Skating EUR 135,00

Pair Skating EUR 185,00

Entries will only be confirmed if the entry fee is paid by bank transfer by October 5, 2026.

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals.

Payment must be made in one transfer per member federation for all entered skaters.

Bank name: ERSTE&STEIERMÄRKISCHE BANK D.D.

Account owner: KK MEDVEŠČAK

IBAN: HR4824020061100048228

SWIFT: ESBCHR22

ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member may nominate one ISU or International Judge and one substitute Judge. The Entries of Judges must be done through the ORS no later than October 5, 2026.

Each panel of Judges will consist of 5 judges. In case of a too high number of entered Judges, the Organizing Committee will make a draw and inform ISU Members by October 10, 2026, whether Judges have been drawn or not drawn.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for Judges and invited officials taking part, beginning on October 20, 2026, (dinner) and ending on October 26, 2026, (breakfast) in accordance with their travel plans and scheduled activities. If any Judge or invited Official arrive before, or

stay longer after the period described above, their hotel costs are at their own risk and must be paid on arrival.

All additional charges incurred by an Official/Judge are at their own charge and must be paid prior to departure.

DRAW

The draw will be held online on Tuesday, October 20, until 12.00 (CET) in presence of one of the Referees, in accordance with Rule 512 and 513 of the ISU Constitution and General Regulations. Competitors and/or Official representatives are welcome to be present in person.

The starting order for the Free Skating shall be based on the reverse order of the result of the Short Program.

PRACTICE

The Official practices for competitors will be announced depending on the number of entries. The detailed schedule will be published in the Sportity app. There is also unofficial practice ice available. This schedule will also be published in the Sportity app in time.

MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT / PRESS FORMS

Music

All competitors shall offer competition music of excellent quality on MP3, M4A or WAV format, following Rule 343 in the ISU Special Regulations, paragraph 2. A list of titles, composers and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Program for Single and Pairs, must be entered on the ISU Portal. The Music files must be labelled with the following data:

1. Name of the ISU Member.
2. Category
3. Segment
4. Name of the competitor

Example:

CRO_Junior Women_SP_EXAMPLE-Ana

CRO_Junior Women_FS_EXAMPLE-Ana

The competition music, only MP3, M4A or WAV format, must be sent to goldenbear@croskate.hr by entry deadline of October 1, 2026.

Competitors must provide a backup drive (USB stick) for each program. This USB stick must also be labelled with all mentioned data. CD's will not be accepted by the OC.

Please note: Files in MP3 format may have a significant difference in the music quality when reproduced. The

Organizing Committee is not responsible if the music quality would be insufficient.

If music information is not complete and provided as mentioned, accreditation will not be given.

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation office is located at the ice rink. Accreditation will be given to each official, skater, 1 coach per skater, 1 team leader per ISU member plus 1 chaperone per skater.

LIABILITY

In accordance with ISU Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating at the **33rd Golden Bear 2026** 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 to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means of the ill or injured person.

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

RESULTS

The marking system (ISU Figure Skating Manager) as described in ISU Special Regulations Single and Pair Skating 2026, Rule 352 will be in place.

AWARD CEREMONY

The award ceremony will take place at the end of the competition according to the schedule. All skaters will be awarded.

PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

12:00

Draw

Approx. 17:00

Referees' and Technical Panel meetings

Approx. 18:00

Initial Judges Meeting

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Advanced Novice

Short Program

Friday, October 23, 2026

Advanced Novice

Free Skating

Junior Women, Men

Short Program

Saturday, October 24, 2026

Junior Women, Men

Free Skating

Senior Women, Men

Short Program

Junior, Senior Pairs

Short Program

Sunday, October 25, 2026

Senior Women, Men

Free Skating

Junior, Senior Pairs

Free Skating

The Preliminary Schedule is subject to change.

We look forward to welcome you in Zagreb!

Organizing Committee