ANNOUNCEMENT

The Olympic Oval and Speed Skating Canada are pleased to invite you to take part in the International Speed Skating Competition

International Masters Sprint Games 2020
Calgary/Canada, 29th February, 1st March, 2020

The competition will be held in accordance with the following conditions of contest and the Regulations of the International Masters Speed Skating Committee (IMSSC) and the International Skating Union (ISU) at the covered 400 m standard speed skating track of the Olympic Oval, 2500 University Drive N.W., Calgary/Canada, on artificial ice. This competition is a regular event on the International ISU Masters’ calendar.

Organizer: Calgary Olympic Oval
Chairperson: Donnie Hrynyk

1. Competitions

The competitions will take place on Saturday 29th of February and Sunday 1st of March.

Competition program (Day 1 & Day 2):

Ladies (all age groups): 500m, 1000m / 500m, 1000m
Men (all age groups): 500m, 1000m / 500m, 1000m

Quartet start may be used for the 1000m only.

2. Age-Groups

Age Groups (AG) = Masters’ five-year age groups for Ladies and Men are defined as follows (from 30 and as high as necessary):

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3. Eligibility

To be eligible the skater must be a member of a National Speed Skating Federation recognized by the ISU and must have a license of his/her federation.
4. Maximum Time Table

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5. Limitation of Participants

The competition is limited to 200 competitors and generally, entries are accepted in chronological order. There are no quotas per country.

However, The Netherlands (NED) will make their entries after a qualification process. The registration deadline is January 15, 2020 for all nations. The entries from the participants of NED, will arrive at the respective addresses:

NED Registration of Dutch skaters must be entered via [https://www.schaatscircuit.nl](https://www.schaatscircuit.nl). After a qualification process, the Participant List and Waiting List from NED will be sent by NED to dhrynyk@me.com and jamie.seguin@ucalgary.ca within the above mentioned deadline.

6. Drawing and Ranking

Each of the five-year age groups is considered a separate competition in this respect.

Drawing at the Masters’ Sprint Championships will be done according to ISU Rule 240, paragraph 4. If there are more than 100 participants at Masters’ International Sprint Competitions, the participants shall be divided into two or more blocks of 5-year age groups. The first block completes their two distances before the next block, and so on. This will reduce the waiting time between the two distances.

To be able to recognize the intermediate standings within the original five-year age groups even when they are joined, the name of the competitors should be accompanied by their age group in all start lists and results, for instance: Otto Meier 55.
7. Seeding

On the first two distances of the Masters’ International Sprint Championships, the skaters shall be seeded in three groups before drawing, according to their best times of the season, their best times of the last season or their estimated times as specified in the announcement. The seeding occurs per Age Group or per joined Age Groups. In the third and fourth distances, the arrangement of pairs shall be based on the ranking in total points after two and three distances respectively.

8. Prizes and Results of the 4 Distance Combination

For the 4 distance combination the first three competitors of a five year age group will be awarded a prize. All participants who skate successfully the competition without disqualification, obtain a certificate, a medal (if not being awarded with a prize) and a protocol with the results (only end times, no lap times). The complete results with lap times, accumulated lap times and end times) can be found at the Organizers’ web-site:

http://results.oval.ucalgary.ca/Competition/Results.aspx

Every participant will receive a souvenir at the registration (included in the entry fee).

9.0 Doping Control

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-doping Code (ISU Communication No. 1765, 1800 & 1693 or any further update of this Communication).

10.0. Schedule: Will be posted on Olympic Oval Competitions & Results when available (http://wcm.ucalgary.ca/oval/competitions).

10.1. Competition Dates and Times for the Age Groups

Estimated starting dates and times for the different distances of the different age groups will be published at the Organizer’s web-site: http://wcm.ucalgary.ca/oval/competitions in February.

Final starting times for the different distances of the different age groups will be published at the Team Leaders Meeting before the drawing and at the Organizer’s web-site:
http://wcm.ucalgary.ca/oval/competitions

10.2. Training and Warm Up Times

The 400m ice track is open for training. These times will be published at the Olympic Oval web-site http://wcm.ucalgary.ca/oval/competitions. Special training times and fees exclusive for participants in the Masters’ Sprint Championships will be announced on the Oval website. A daily Admission Fee must be paid at the Olympic Oval Guest Relations desk.

The 400m ice track is reserved exclusively for competitors as follows:

- **Friday February 28th**: TBA online Training
- **Saturday February 29th**: 07:30 – 08:30 Warm Up Competition 1st Day
- **Sunday March 1st**: 07:30 – 08:30 Warm Up Competition 2nd Day

The Admission Fee during these days is free.
10.3. Timetable

Friday, 28 February, 2020

09:00 – 15:00 Check In Olympic Oval
19:00 Team Leaders’ Meeting Best Western PLUS Village Park Inn
         (max. two team leaders per Nation)
19:30 Welcome Drink Reception Best Western PLUS Village Park Inn

Saturday, 29 February, 2020

09:00 Competition 1\textsuperscript{st} day Olympic Oval

Sunday, 1 March, 2020

09:00 Competition 2\textsuperscript{nd} day Olympic Oval
19:00 Victory Ceremony & Closing Banquet Red & White Club

11. Entries

Entries are accepted in chronological order.

Entries must be made by filling out the Electronic Entry Forms available on the Calgary Olympic Oval website: \url{http://wcm.ucalgary.ca/oval/competitions}

The general entry deadline is January 15, 2020.

If an entered skater is prevented from participation by illness, injury or other unforeseen cause, he/she may be substituted by another skater from the Waiting List of the same country until the Team Leader Meeting before the drawing.

12. Entrance fee for competitors

The entrance fee for competitors is CAD $180.00 which includes tickets for the Welcome Reception and the Closing Banquet. \textit{Drinks at the Closing Banquet are not included.} If a competitor cannot take part in the Welcome Drink or Closing Banquet a refund will not be made.

Payment must be made online through the Olympic Oval’s online registration system at \url{http://wcm.ucalgary.ca/oval/competitions} as part of the registration process.

13. Tickets for the Welcome Reception and Closing Banquet only for Coaches and Companions

Tickets for Coaches and Companions for the Welcome Reception (CAD $25 per person) and for the Closing Banquet (CAD $60 per person) may be bought at the information desk at the Olympic Oval during Check In. Please order these tickets on the entry form. Drinks at the Closing Banquet are not included.
14. Liability

In Accordance with ISU Rule 119, the University of Calgary, the Olympic Oval, the Organizing Committee and the IMSSC assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the Masters’ International Speed Skating Sprint Games 2020 in Calgary.

Each skater or accompanying person is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

15. Accommodation

The official host hotel is the Best Western PLUS Village Park Inn, which has complimentary parking and is locate within a 15 minute walk to the Olympic Oval.

Please contact the hotel directly for preferred rates.

Best Western PLUS Village Park Inn
Address: 1804 Crowchild Trail NW Calgary, Alberta
Toll-free: 1-888-774-7716
Email: sales@villageparkinn.com
Website: https://oval.ucalgary.ca/best-western

Information websites about Calgary and Surrounding Area.

www.tourismcalgary.com  www.lifeincalgary.ca
www.travelalberta.com  www.discoverbanff.com

Travelling from Europe

Calgary International Airport has direct flights to and from London, Frankfurt and Amsterdam.

Travelling from Asia

All airlines connect through Vancouver to Calgary. It is a one hour flight from Vancouver.

16. Additional Information

All inquiries should be directed to:

Masters International Sprint Championships 2020 Organizing Committee

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For the Organizer  Calgary, October 8, 2019

Mr Donnie Hrynyk

(Chair of the Organizing Committee)