

# **Announcement International Competition**



**22-23-24-25  
January 2026**



Date: July 30, 2025

## **ANNOUNCEMENT LUMIÈRE CUP 2026**

The Dutch Federation, Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond (KNSB), together with Stichting Lumière Cup, has the great pleasure of informing all ISU members that we will be organizing the 9th Lumière Cup from Thursday, January 22, 2026, until Sunday, January 25, 2026.

This International Synchronized Skating Competition will take place at the Ice Rink in Eindhoven, The Netherlands, and will include the following categories:

- Advanced Novice ISU
- Senior Elite 12 ISU

### **GENERAL RULES**

The Lumière Cup 2026 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution, ISU General Regulations 2024, and Special Regulations & Technical Rules for Synchronized Skating 2024 and the relevant ISU Communications. The teams must belong to an ISU Member, and the ages must be within the limits specified in Rule 108. All skaters must qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102 and participation and citizenship requirements according to Rule 109. This is for all categories.

### **TECHNICAL DATA**

The technical data for all categories is:

- Senior Elite 12 ISU: according to ISU regulations.  
At least 17 years before the 1st of July 2025, 12 skaters with a maximum of 4 alternates.
  - Short Program 2 minutes and 50 seconds, but may be less. Factor 1.33
  - Free Skating program 4 minutes (+/- 10 sec) Factor 2.67Well Balanced Program Content according to Communication 2692 Senior Elite 12 Short Program and Senior Elite 12 Free Skating.
- Advanced Novice ISU: according to ISU regulations.  
At least 10 years old and have not reached the age of 16 before the 1st of July 2025, 12-16 skaters with a maximum of 4 alternates.
  - Free Skating program 3 minutes (+/- 10 sec) Factor 2.67Well Balanced Program Content according to Communication 2692 Advanced Novice Free Skating.

## VENUE

The competition will be held in Eindhoven, the Netherlands at the ice rink IJSSPORTCENTRUM EINDHOVEN. The competition rink is covered, closed, and heated, measures 60 x 30 meters, and has a seating capacity of approximately 1.700 seats.

The outdoor training rink is covered, not closed, and not heated and measures 60 x 30 meters.

The competition and official practice will only take place at the indoor rink.



IJssportcentrum Eindhoven  
Antoon Coolenlaan 3  
5644 RX Eindhoven  
The Netherlands  
[www.ijssportcentrum.nl](http://www.ijssportcentrum.nl)



Indoor rink



Outdoor rink

## PRE-ENTRY/ENTRY

The preliminary entries must reach the Organizer by latest: **Friday, 12 September 2025** by entering the information through ORS.

Participation is open to all Teams of ISU Members.

The Entries by name must be made via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS):

[ISU DB \(swisstiming.com\)](http://ISU DB (swisstiming.com))

and will be submitted via the ORS simultaneously to the:

*Stichting Lumière Cup Eindhoven,  
The Netherlands*

e-mail: [lumiirecup@hotmail.com](mailto:lumiirecup@hotmail.com)

not later than **Friday, 14 November 2025 – 20:00 h (Central European (Paris) Time, UTC+1)**.

Because we are missing important information (Team, contact person, email addresses, etc.) in ORS, we would like to ask you to also complete the **entry information form** before the **14th of September 2025 20:00 Central European Time (UTC+1)**, so that we can begin planning for your attendance.

You can find the **entry information form** through this [link](#)

The organizing committee reserves the right to limit the number of teams per country or refuse entry if the maximum number of teams we can accommodate has entered the competition.

Please direct all your inquiries & applications to:

- Lumière Cup
- Mrs. Ellie van Soest / Mrs. Monique de Brouwer
- E-mail: [lumiirecup@hotmail.com](mailto:lumiirecup@hotmail.com)

**CLOSING DATE OF FINAL PRE-ENTRIES: 12 September 2025**

**CLOSING DATE OF FINAL ENTRIES: 14 November 2025**

**ENTRY FEE**

Advanced Novice	: € 650 per team
Senior Elite 12	: € 750 per team

These entry fees do not include any extra practice ice.

The payment of the entry fee must be received on the bank account of Stichting Lumière Cup latest at the final closing date of entries on the **14th of November 2025**, by credit transfer (the bank draft expenses will be charged to the registering teams and not to the organiser of the competition). No refunds can be given after the 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2025. The team registration will be valid only after payment of the entry fee.

Teams that sent in the pre-entry in an earlier stage are urgently requested to inform the organisation if the team will not participate in the end. Please notify the organisation as soon as possible, but before the 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2025.

Account Holder :	Stichting Lumière Cup
IBAN :	NL84RABO0334619637
BIC :	RABONL2U

Clearly point out: "Lumière Cup 2026, the name of the team and category in all payments".

Commissions and any bank transaction fees will be at your charge and have to be paid directly to the bank. The organizing committee must receive the net amount of above mentioned entry fees.

**SPORTITY APP**

During the competition, the Sportity app will be used for announcing all information regarding the competition. The Sportity app can be downloaded from Google Play and Apple App Store.



**UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE ICE**

Unofficial practice ice for all teams is available on Wednesday, January 21st, and Thursday, January 22nd, at IJssportcentrum Eindhoven. For earlier unofficial practice ice, please contact us. It is possible to reserve practice ice per block of 15 minutes. Costs are € 100 per block for the indoor rink, which is available on Wednesday and Thursday. The costs are € 75 per block for the outdoor rink, which is available on Wednesday and Thursday. The outside rink is open but roofed. The measurement of both rinks is 60 x 30 meters. Please use the online form provided to order any practice ice [link](#) Extra practice ice must be paid in advance, directly after the reservation request.

### **PROGRAM CONTENT SHEETS**

With the entry forms, the “Program Content Sheet” must be submitted through ORS to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet be filled in precisely by each Team in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

### **LIST OF TEAM MEMBERS**

The names of all team members must be submitted via the ISU Online Registration System (ORS) and must reach the Organizing Committee and the ISU Secretariat not later than **Friday, 14 November 2025 – 20:00 h (Central European (Paris) Time, UTC+1)**.

The national passport of each skater of the teams taking part in the competition will be checked during the accreditation. Names of team members can be adjusted up until accreditation.

### **JUDGES & OFFICIALS**

The panel of Judges is composed for each category:

- 1 Referee
- 5-7 Judges
- 1 Technical Controller
- 1 Technical Specialist
- 1 Assistant Technical Specialist
- 2 Data/Replay operator

Each participant country may enter one judge. Travel, accommodation, and meals will be paid for the Technical panel and the Referee by the organizing committee, as well as the accommodation and meals for the judges. Teams are invited to bring judges as well as technical panels. Please be aware that all judges must be nominated through ORS **before the closing date for the final entry date**.

### **JUDGES AND TECHNICAL PANEL MEETING**

The initial Judges Meeting and initial Technical panel meeting are planned to take place at IJSSPORTCENTRUM EINDHOVEN on the evening of Thursday, the 22nd of January 2026.

### **STARTING ORDER/DRAW**

The starting order will be determined by draw. The draw will be done on Thursday, the 22nd of January 2026, and will be published on the competition website, competition Facebook page, and Sportity app not later than 23:59. The starting order for the Free Skating will be in reverse order of the result of the Short Program for the Senior Elite 12 category.

## **OFFICIAL PRACTICE**

Each team will be allocated a period of official practice on the competition rink described in the table below:

	<b>Short Program</b>	<b>Free Skating Program</b>	
Senior Elite 12 ISU	10 minutes	Senior Elite 12 ISU	12 minutes
		Advanced Novice ISU	10 minutes

The music will start:

- In the practice of 10 minutes: After 1:30 minutes and after 6:00 minutes
- In the practice of 12 minutes: After 1:30 minutes and after 7:00 minutes

The organizing committee intends to plan all official practices on the same day as the competition for all programs of all categories. The schedule will depend on the number of teams taking part in the competition.

## **MUSIC**

All Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality by email in MP3 format only, in accordance with Rule 823. A list of titles, composers, and orchestras of the music to be used for the Short Program and Free Skating Program must be listed for each Team on the official Music Selection Form and attached to the official Entry Form for Teams.

The MP3 files shall be named

<Program>\_<category>\_<country abbreviation>\_<team name>.mp3

For example: Short\_Senior\_NED\_Team\_Illumination.mp3.

Upload the files to the Google form ([link](#)). In case of technical difficulties, please email to [lumierecup@hotmail.com](mailto:lumierecup@hotmail.com).

In accordance with Rule 823, all Teams must announce the exact running time of the music (not skating time), which shall be certified by the Team, Coach, Team Manager, or Team Leader at the time of registration.

In addition, Teams must provide at registration a backup for each program in MP3 format on a separate USB thumb drive for each program. The thumb drives shall be formatted for Windows (NTFS, FAT32, or exFAT) with only the MP3 file of the program in the main (root) directory, without other files or directories.

If music information is not complete and/or the music is not provided, accreditation will not be given.

We request all teams to check the music submitted at accreditation.

The music files will be deleted by the organizers shortly after the competition. The backup thumb drives will be returned to the teams at the info desk.

### **VICTORY CEREMONY**

A victory ceremony will be held right after the last skating program of the day. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams in each category. Medals will be presented to all skaters (1 per competitor) of the teams. All skaters from all teams are invited to take part in the closing ceremony on the ice. We will fill you in with the details at a later stage.

### **PROVISIONAL TIME SCHEDULE**

A provisional time schedule will be published after the closing date of the entry date. The intention of the organizing committee is to follow the days as stated in the provisional event schedule at the end of this document.

### **REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION**

All participating teams and officials are invited to register for accreditation from Thursday, 22nd of January, or by appointment on Wednesday, 21st of January 2026, at the IJssportcentrum Eindhoven. A welcoming/accreditation/info desk will be in place at the ice rink from Thursday the 22nd of January 2026, and during the whole competition. Every team will receive passes for team members as mentioned in the team list. Every team will also receive passes for 1 manager, 1 coach, 1 assistant coach, and 2 team chaperones through ORS. For the chaperones, please send us an email with the names.

Every ISU Member can bring one Team Leader to the International Competition. The Team Leader must be announced through ORS.

### **RULES ALONGSIDE THE ICE RINK DURING COMPETITION**

Please be advised that every team will get one card for each accredited coach and assistant coach. These cards will give access to the ice rink side during the competition performance of the team. At no point will additional skaters or team personnel be allowed next to the ice during the competition, except a maximum of 4 alternates.

Non-accredited skaters do not have access to restricted areas.

### **TICKETS**

Tickets can be ordered in advance: [lumierecup@hotmail.com](mailto:lumierecup@hotmail.com)

Tickets are also available at the event.

### **DOPING**

An anti-doping control can take place and will be in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules. It is also not permitted to use alcohol during the competition by any of the competitors.

### **OFFICIAL SOCIAL MEDIA**

Please like our FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/lumierecup/>

Website: [www.lumierecup.com](http://www.lumierecup.com)

Instagram: [lumierecup](https://www.instagram.com/lumierecup)

### **TEAM PHOTO**

Please upload your team photo for our program booklet before 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2025, with the following form: [link](#)

## **ACCOMMODATION & HOTEL INFORMATION**

### **HOTEL VAN DER VALK EINDHOVEN**

Aalsterweg 322

5644 RL Eindhoven

The Netherlands

phone: +31 40 211 60 33

web: [www.hoteleindhoven.nl](http://www.hoteleindhoven.nl)

email: [reservations@eindhoven.valk.com](mailto:reservations@eindhoven.valk.com) or

[f.vanhout@eindhoven.valk.com](mailto:f.vanhout@eindhoven.valk.com)

Use code: GF176515

Hotel Van der Valk is located within walking distance (approx. 20 minutes) of the ice rink. The Organizing Committee can provide transport between the hotel and the ice rink. Please indicate on the form if interested. The organisers will inform the teams about the possibilities and prices well in advance of the competition.

### **NH CONFERENCE CENTRE KONINGSHOF**

Locht 117

5504 RM Veldhoven

The Netherlands

phone: +31 40 258 19 27

web: <https://www.nh-hotels.nl/hotel/nh-eindhoven-conference-centre-koningshof>

email: [groups.nhkoningshof@nh-hotels.com](mailto:groups.nhkoningshof@nh-hotels.com)

NH Conference Center Koningshof is located 7,6 km from the ice rink. The Organizing Committee can provide transport between the hotel and the ice rink. Please indicate on the form if interested. The organisers will inform the teams about the possibilities and prices well in advance of the competition. When booking, use the code "Lumière Cup".

Hotel capacities can only be booked directly with the hotel. Booking requests have to be made as soon as possible, but before **Friday, 21 November 2025**. The organizer cannot guarantee the availability of rooms for bookings that are received after that date. All payments shall be made at the instructions of the hotel. At this moment, we are consulting with more hotels in the nearby surroundings for special rates. We will inform you at a later stage through email about the possibilities.

## **MEALS**

There will be a possibility to order meals for the teams and their accompanies. More information will be provided at a later stage.



## **TRANSPORT**

Transport to the ice rink has to be organised by the participating team, but we will offer transportation at special rates from hotels to the ice rink. Transportation from the airport to your hotel can be provided by transportation companies at special prices. Please fill in the form for any requests for transportation: [link](#)

### **BY PLANE**

There are several airports near Eindhoven. See the list below:

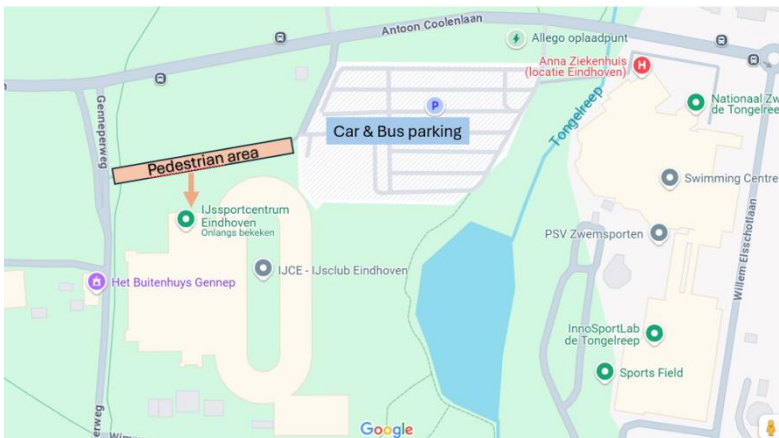
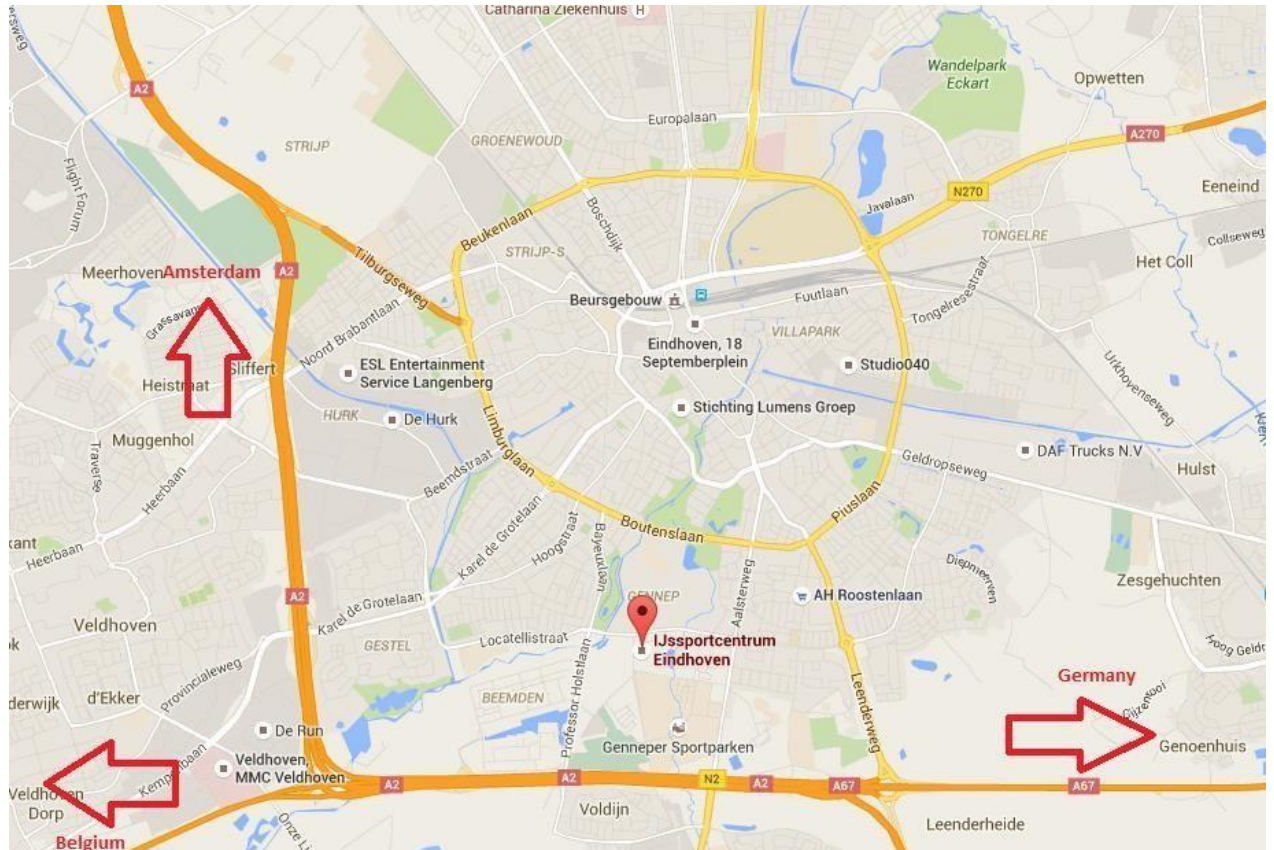
From Airport - Rink	Distance	Travel time (airport – rink)
Eindhoven (NL)	10 km	13 min by car/taxi
Amsterdam (NL)	132 km	83 min by car/taxi
Dusseldorf (DUI)	112 km	73 min by car/taxi
Brussels National (Zaventem) (BE)	124 km	79 min by car/taxi

### **BY TRAIN**

From several airports, there is a train connection or bus connection to Eindhoven

- Trains and buses in the Netherlands: [www.9292.nl](http://www.9292.nl)
- For trains from Europe to the Netherlands: [www.goeuro.nl](http://www.goeuro.nl)
- For buses: <https://www.flixbus.nl/>

## BY CAR



CARPARK/BUS CARPARK  
Next to IJssportcentrum Eindhoven

Antoon Coolenlaan 3  
5644 RX Eindhoven  
00 31 40 2381201

## **ORGANISATION**

The organisation of the competition is the responsibility of the organizing committee. It reserves the right to take any necessary measures to ensure the competition runs smoothly. All decisions concerning such measures will be taken with the agreement of the Referee.

For information and all your requirements, contact:

Lumière Cup

Email: [lumiirecup@hotmail.com](mailto:lumiirecup@hotmail.com)

Mrs. Ellie van Soest (Chair)

Mrs. Monique de Brouwer (Entries & Administration)

## **LIABILITY**

In accordance with ISU rule 119, Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond and the Organizing Committee of the Lumière Cup 2025 will assume no responsibility or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or for property loss or damage incurred by competitors or officials in connection with the Lumière Cup 2026.

## **MEDICAL SERVICE**

Medical service will be on duty at the IJssportcentrum Eindhoven all the time during the competition and at the official practices.

Each member participating in the Lumière Cup 2026 has the sole responsibility for providing their own medical and accident insurance protection.

## **PUBLICITY WAIVER**

Members, teams, and competitors hereby acknowledge and consent to the fact that team photos, team info, and results will be published, as well as the Lumière Cup 2026, be televised either in whole or in part, for showing on a worldwide basis. According to the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2024, both members and competitors (in this particular case, teams) hereby certify and warrant that the music and choreography presented and used by the competitors have been fully cleared and authorized for public use and consent to the use of his or her name, biography, and likeness on or in connection with any television or radio program broadcast and re-broadcast throughout the world, motion picture, print media or the advertising and publicizing of such program, without further clearance or payments of any kind on the site of the ISU, the organizing member Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond, Organizing Committee and the relevant television network or broadcasters being required.

## SUMMARY OF FORMS

Number	Form	Format	Deadline
N/A	Preliminary Entry Form	ORS	September 12, 2025
Form	Team Entry Information	Google Forms <a href="#">(link)</a>	September 12, 2025
N/A	Composition of Delegation	ORS	November 14, 2025
N/A	Entry Form for Teams	ORS	November 14, 2025
N/A	Entry Form for Judges	ORS	November 14, 2025
N/A	Hotel reservation request	Through Hotel	November 21, 2025
Form	Extra Practice Request Form	Google Forms <a href="#">(link)</a>	November 14, 2025
Form	Travel and Hotel Information Form	Google Forms <a href="#">(link)</a>	November 21, 2025
Form	Music Information and Upload Form	Google Forms <a href="#">(link)</a>	December 21, 2025
Form	Team Photo Form	Google Forms <a href="#">(link)</a>	December 21, 2025
N/A	Press Information	Available in ISU Portal	Valid for season 25/26
N/A	Competition Music Information	Available in ISU Portal	Valid for season 25/26
N/A	Program Content Form	Available in ISU Portal	Valid for season 25/26

## **PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE**

### **Wednesday, January 21, 2026**

All Day            Registration of teams (by appointment)  
All Day            Extra practice ice

### **Thursday, January 22, 2026**

08:00 – 18:00    Registration of teams  
08:00 – 23:00    Extra practice ice  
17:00 – 18:00    Initial Technical Panel Meeting  
18:00 – 19:00    Initial Judges Meeting and Judges Draw  
20:30 – 21:00    Draw Ceremony Advanced Novice Free Skating, Junior, Senior, and Senior Elite 12 Short Program

### **Friday, January 23, 2026**

08:00 – 14:15    Official Practice - ISU Short Program  
15:00 – 19:30    Competition - ISU Short Program  
20:00            Officials Dinner (invitational)

### **Saturday, January 24, 2025**

07:00 – 15:00    Official Practice - ISU Free Skating  
15:30 – 22:00    Competition - ISU Free Skating  
22:00 – 23:00    Victory Ceremony  
22:30 – 23:30    Round Table and Technical Panel Evaluation

**!!!Please note that this schedule is subject to change and will be updated in accordance with the final number of entries!!!**