



**CROATIAN SKATING FEDERATION  
and  
SKATING CLUB MEDVEŠČAK**

are honored to invite you to join the

**32<sup>nd</sup> GOLDEN BEAR**

to be held in Zagreb – CROATIA

on October 23 – 26, 2025

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Interclub Competition for Single Skating

**INTERMEDIATE NOVICE  
BASIC NOVICE  
PRE-NOVICE (CUBS)  
JUVENILE (CHICKS)**

## Place and date

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Golden Bear will be held in Zagreb – Croatia, on October 23 – 26, 2025 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 Play store 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: goldenbear25**

## General Regulations

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Golden Bear will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2024, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Figure Skating as well as all pertinent ISU Communications for the categories Intermediate Novice, Basic Novice, Pre-Novice (Cubs) and Juvenile (Chicks) will be held in accordance with European Criterium Memorandum.

## Categories

<b>INTERMEDIATE NOVICE GIRLS &amp; BOYS</b>	<p><b>In accordance with ISU Communication 2699</b></p> <p>An Intermediate Novice skater is a skater who has not reached the age of sixteen (16) before July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the competition.</p> <p><b>Duration of the program:</b> 3:00, +/-10 sec.</p>
<b>BASIC NOVICE GIRLS &amp; BOYS</b>	<p><b>In accordance with ISU Communication 2699</b></p> <p>A Basic Novice skater is a skater who has not reached the age of fourteen (14) before July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the competition.</p> <p><b>Duration of the program:</b> 2:30, +/-10 sec.</p>
<b>PRE-NOVICE GIRLS &amp; BOYS (Cubs)</b>	<p><b>In accordance with European Criterium <a href="http://www.europeancriterium.eu">www.europeancriterium.eu</a></b></p> <p>A Pre- Novice skater is a skater who has not reached the age of ten (10) before July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the competition.</p> <p><b>Duration of the program:</b> 2:00, +/-10 sec.</p>
<b>JUVENILE GIRLS &amp; BOYS (Chicks)</b>	<p><b>In accordance with European Criterium <a href="http://www.europeancriterium.eu">www.europeancriterium.eu</a></b></p> <p>A Juvenile skater is a skater who has not reached the age of eight (8) before July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the competition.</p> <p><b>Duration of the Programs:</b> 2:00, +/-10 sec.</p>

### **RULES Pre-Novice girls & boys (Cubs) & Juvenile (Chicks)**

**A well balanced Free Skating program for Pre-Novice (Cubs) & Juvenile (Chicks) girls & boys must contain:**

- a) Maximum of four (4) jump elements one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or one jump combination and one jump sequence. Jump combinations and Jump sequence consist of two jumps. In the jump sequence the second jump must be an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve. No triple or quadruple jumps are allowed. Only one single jump and one double jump (including Double Axel) can be repeated once.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins (different abbreviations) one of which must be a spin combination (minimum 8 revolutions), and one must be a spin with no change of position and no change of foot (minimum 6 revolutions), it must be done in basic position without any difficult variation positions. Flying entry is allowed.

- c) There must be a maximum one (1) step sequence. The step sequence must fully cover the ice surface and include at least one (1) skating movement (such as a spiral, spread eagle, Ina Bauer, hydroblading etc.) to be counted. If the skating movement is missing, the sequence will receive no value.

All elements are subject to Levels, only features up to Level 2 will be counted.

The following Program Components are judged:

- Composition
- Presentation
- Skating Skills

The factor for the Program Components is 1.67

For all details please be so kind to refer to:

<http://www.europecriterium.eu/documents/Memorandum-European-Criterium-2025-2026-v2.pdf>

## Entries

Entry forms must be sent by **October 1, 2025** to: [goldenbear@croskate.hr](mailto:goldenbear@croskate.hr)

The local organizing committee has the right and obligation to check the personal identification documents of the athletes. Without valid documents, the athlete will not be allowed to compete.

Each Club may enter up to four (4) skaters per category. The organizer reserves the right to limit the number of entries per club or /and enter more than four skaters. Entries of skaters may be made only by the club concerned on the designated official forms.

Entry lists, competition schedules, competition results will be published at the Sportity-app. The organizing committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries due to limited ice availability. If the limit is reached we will close the entry list and offer further skaters to be put on the waiting list.

Entries will be on first come first serve principle. Those skaters who have not paid their entry fees till the entry fee deadline will be replaced by skaters next on the waiting list.

## Entry fee

**€ 75, - per participant to be paid by October 1, 2025, at the latest** to the following bank account:

Bank name: ERSTE&STEIERMÄRKISCHE BANK D.D.

Account owner: KK MEDVEŠČAK

IBAN: HR4824020061100048228

SWIFT: ESBCHR22

Entries will only be confirmed if the entry fee is paid via bank transfer by October 5, 2025.

Reimbursement of entry fees can only be offered for cancellations done by October 5, 2025, at the latest.

**Attention: Please send all entry fees as one payment for the whole club.**

## Music

The music playback will be exclusively digital (via computer).  
Skaters/clubs must send their music by E-Mail or via a file transfer service to:  
[goldenbear@croskate.hr](mailto:goldenbear@croskate.hr)

The uploaded/sent music files must show competitor's name, nationality, category, program (short/free skating). Mandatory music format is .mp3.

We highly recommend to send the music files very soon after confirmation of participation. This will give us time to check compatibility of the music and to contact participating clubs, if problems should arise.

## Planned Program Content Sheet

Clubs/Skaters must send the **Program Content Sheet** along with the **Entry Forms** to the Organizing Committee till **October 1, 2025**, by email to: [goldenbear@croskate.hr](mailto:goldenbear@croskate.hr)

## Draw

Draws for the starting order will be done electronically. The organizing committee will publish them via the Sportity-App latest 24 hours before the respective starting time.

## Award ceremony & Prizes

Interclub victory ceremonies (Juvenile, Pre-Novice, Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice) will be held off ice 15 minutes after the free programs of each category ends for all participants.

## Liability

In accordance with ISU Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating at the **32<sup>nd</sup> Golden Bear 2025** 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.

## Preliminary Competition Schedule

### Wednesday, October 22, 2025

Approx. 17:00

Referees' and Technical Panel meetings

Approx. 18:00

Initial Judges Meeting

### Thursday, October 23, 2025

Juvenile FS (Interclub)

Pre-Novice FS (Interclub)

Basic Novice FS (Interclub)

### Friday, October 24, 2025

Intermediate Novice FS (Interclub)

Interclub victory ceremonies (Juvenile, Pre-Novice, Basic Novice, Intermediate Novice) will be held off ice 15 minutes after the free programs of each category ends for all participants.

All time indications are approximate and subject to change. The final program and entry list will be published as soon as the entries are completed. Furthermore, all relevant information will be published at [www.croskate.hr](http://www.croskate.hr) and on the Sportity-App.

The Preliminary Schedule is subject to change.

We look forward to welcome you in Zagreb!

Organizing Committee

