



Announcement

The Organizing Committee Speed Skating Erfurt is pleased to invite you to take part at the international speed skating competition:

9th Masters' International Speed Skating ERFURT CRITERION Erfurt / Germany, December 1 - 2, 2012

The competition will be held in accordance to the following conditions related to the regulations of the German Speed Skating Association (DESG), the International Masters' Speed Skating Committee (IMSSC) and the International Skating Union (ISU). The competition takes place at the "Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle", a covered 400m standard ice speed skating track, Arnstädter Str. 53, 99096 Erfurt. This competition is a regular event of the International Masters' Calendar of the IMSSC. In this competition the National German Speed Skating Championships will be held for Masters.

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1. Competitions:

Ladies and Men: Age groups from 30
500m, 1.500m (1st day) / 1.000m, 3.000m (2nd day)

Four distances competitions. The number of competitors on the 3.000m distance (longest distances) will not be restricted. **No members of national selections allowed.**

2. Age-groups:

The competitions take place in five year age groups as follows:

| <u>AG</u> | <u>born</u> | <u>AG</u> | <u>born</u> |
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| 30 | 01.07.78 - 30.06.83 | 60 | 01.07.48 - 30.06.53 |
| 35 | 01.07.73 - 30.06.78 | 65 | 01.07.43 - 30.06.48 |
| 40 | 01.07.68 - 30.06.73 | 70 | 01.07.38 - 30.06.43 |
| 45 | 01.07.63 - 30.06.68 | 75 | 01.07.33 - 30.06.38 |
| 50 | 01.07.58 - 30.06.63 | 80 | 01.07.28 - 30.06.33 |
| 55 | 01.07.53 - 30.06.58 | 85 | 01.07.23 - 30.06.28 etc. |

AG = five year age group Masters Ladies and Men as high as necessary

The competition is restricted to **70 skaters** / plus 20% - respectively 84 entries of **foreign skater** (by experience about cancellation of entered competitors by illness, injuries, etc.).

The **German Skaters enter the competition as participants of the National German Speed Skating Championships 2013** for Masters at the German Speed Skating Association (DESG). They are ranked in the Masters' International Speed Skating Erfurt Criterion as well as separately in the National German Speed Skating Championships 2013 for Masters.

The number of their entries in the International Criterion is equal to the number of their entries in the National Championships at the DESG (see 8. Entries).

3. Schedule:

3.1. Training:

The training times on Friday and Saturday are including the entrance fee. For training times before Friday you must pay EUR 15 per day. **Please announce in the OC office.**

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| Friday, | November 30, 2012 | 16:00 – 17:45 h |
| Saturday, | December 1, 2012 | 11:00 – 12:30 h |

Changes can be possible. Please, look at the information board in the ice hall for the current training times!

3.2. Deposit:

A deposit of EUR 20,- per participant has to be issued to the following bank account parallel to the entry with the electronic form to be registered at the list of competitors:

Eissportclub Erfurt Account-No: 163003742 | Bank Code: 820 510 00 (Sparkasse Mittelthüringen)
IBAN: DE67 8205 1000 0163 0037 42 | BIC (SWIFT-Code): HELADEF1WEM

Reason for payment: Name of skater / 9th Masters Criterion Erfurt 2012

The deposit will be offset with the payment of the entrance fee. It cannot be reimbursed if the competitor withdraws his entry. Because of the lower bank fee for remitting the deposit, the IBAN and BIC should be used for the remittance by foreigners, if possible.

3.3. Payment entrance fee:

Friday, November 30, 2012, 17:30 -19:00 h in the "Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle".

3.4. Drawing:

Friday, November 30, 2012, 19:00 h in the "Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle".

3.5. Competition start:

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| Saturday, | December 1, 2012 | 13:00 h |
| Sunday, | December 2, 2012 | 09:00 h |

3.6. Price giving ceremony:

Sunday, December 2, 2012, following the competitions

4. Eligibility:

To be eligible the skater must be member of a national ice speed skating federation recognized by the ISU and must have a license of this association.

5. Drawing / Classification:

Neighbouring 5 year age groups with a small number of participants may be put together for drawing and speed skating in the competition. In these combined groups the age group of each skater will always be mentioned behind his/her name in the protocol. The classification however will be separated in the listed age groups. The winner of the four distances competition in one of the age groups is the skater who has completed all distances with the lowest total of points.

6. Prizes:

All competitors, who succeed the four distances contest, obtain a document, a medal and a protocol.

The protocol contains only the end times. The complete protocol, containing start times, lap times, accumulated lap times and end times, can be found on the website www.eisschnelllauf-erfurt.de.

7. Doping control:

Doping test made in accordance to ISU Rule 139.

8. Entries:

The precondition for the admission in the competition is the entrance of the sent Electronical Entry Form on the website (only for Foreign Skaters, not for German Skaters, see 2. Age Groups, § 3):

www.imssg.org/12-eef-erfurt.html

Please click on this web address to get the Electronic Entry Form, fill it out completely and send it off by clicking on the button "SUBMIT". You will receive the confirmation by email that your entry did arrive at the Organizer.

The skaters get informed only in the internet www.eisschnelllauf-erfurt.de whether they can take part in the competition or not (list of accepted competitors).

Deadline for the entries: Tuesday, November 20, 2012

9. Entrance Fee:

The entrance fee will be **EUR 40,- per person**. This includes EUR 10, - fee for the costs of the IMSSC.

The entrance fee has to be paid before the drawing. Announced skaters arriving after the drawing and having confirmed their participation by fax or email in due time (12 hours before drawing at the latest) have to pay their entrance fee until 3 hours before the announced starting time of the competition at the first competition day.

10. Liability:

In Accordance with ISU Rule 119, the ISU, the IMSSC, the DESG and the Organizing Committee Speed Skating Erfurt assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred with connection with the 9th Masters' International Speed Skating ERFURT CRITERION 2012. Each skater or accompanying person is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

11. Accommodation:

The Erfurt Tourismus & Marketing GmbH will help you to find a private room or a room in a boarding-house or in a hotel.

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