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20th SANTA CLAUS CUP 2026

Interclub Figure Skating Competition in Single Skating and Ice Dance for

NON-ISU CATEGORIES

Budapest - Hungary
December 5-6, 2026

SANTA CLAUS CUP 2026 – Organizing Committee

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WELCOME

The Hungarian National Skating Federation, the Hoffmann Korcsolya Akadémia and the Organizing Committee are glad to invite you and your club to participate in the SANTA CLAUS CUP 2026.

The Organizers reserve the right to change the date, location, and program of the competition. The competitors also acknowledge that in case laws forbid it the Organizers are unable to hold the competition. Furthermore, in case the competition cannot take place due to legal restrictions or public health issues the Organizers bear no responsibility for any damage resulting from the cancellation and thus no claims can be made towards the Organizers. The Organizers are not obliged to assign a new date for the competition if it is cancelled because of the above-mentioned reasons. The competitors acknowledge that upon cancellation of the competition they do not have the right to claim back the already paid entry fee as the Organizers had various costs concerning the competition.

GENERAL RULES

The **Santa Claus Cup 2026 Interclub Competition in Figure Skating and Ice Dance** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution 2025; Competition and Event Regulations 2026, the ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026, and the relevant ISU Communications.

All Members of the ISU and Clubs being members of National Skating Federations associated with the ISU, are invited to take part in the competition.

Participation at 20th Santa Claus Cup 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.

TECHNICAL DATA

Place of competition:	**Budapest Practice Rink** (H-1146 Budapest, Istvánmezei út 3-5.) Rink is indoor, heated ice rink with a surface of 60 x 30 meters, located near the centre of Budapest.
Date:	December 5 – 6, 2026
Organizer:	Hungarian National Skating Federation H-1146 Budapest, Istvánmezei út 3-5. E-mail: scc@hunskate.hu - Web: www.hunskate.hu Hoffmann Korcsolya Akadémia H-8623 Balatonföldvár, Báthori István utca 26.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

CUBS GIRLS and BOYS - Born after 1st of July 2016 – Before 30th of June 2017
MINI CUBS GIRLS and BOYS - Born after 1st of July 2017 - Before 30th of June 2018

Free Skating Duration: 2 min., 30 sec. +/- 10 sec.

a) Maximum of 5 jump elements for Girls and Boys, and one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump sequence consists of 2 (two) jumps of any number of revolutions, beginning with any jump, immediately followed by an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of the first jump to the take-off curve of the Axel jump.
Jump combination can contain only two jumps. Only two jumps with 1, 1 ½, 2 or 2 ½. revolutions can be repeated once. Triple jumps are not permitted.
b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed in both spins.
c) There must be a maximum of one (1) step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface.
d) In case of fall the deduction will be -0,5 by the Technical Panel

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Presentation

The factors of the Program Components are

Boys 2.5

Girls 2.5

Levels explanations
For Cubs and Mini Cubs Singles, in all elements, which are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

CUBS ICE DANCE – Born after 30th June 2015

Pattern Dance – **Tango Fiesta**
Couples shall provide their own music for all Pattern Dances.

In accordance with ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026, Rule 711, ISU communication 2794 and all pertinent ISU Communications.

Free Dance Duration: 2 min. +/- 10 sec.
In accordance with the BASIC NOVICE free dance in the ISU Communication No. 2794 and subsequent updates.

CHICKS GIRLS and BOYS - Born after 1st of July 2018 - Before 30th of June 2019
MINI CHICKS GIRLS and BOYS - Born after 1st of July 2019

Free Skating Duration: 2 min. +/- 10 sec.

GIRLS and BOYS
a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys, and one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump sequence consists of 2 (two) jumps of any number of revolutions, beginning with any jump, immediately followed by an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of the first jump to the take-off curve of the Axel jump. A jump combination can contain only two jumps. Only two jumps with 1, 1 ½, 2 or 2 ½ revolutions can be repeated once. Triple jumps are not permitted.
b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed in both spins.

c) There must be a maximum:
There must be a maximum of one (1) step sequence fully utilizing the ice surface and including at least one skating movement such as a spiral, spread eagle, Ina Bauer, hydroblading etc. If the skating movement is missing, no Level will be given.
d) In case of fall the deduction will be -0,5 by the Technical Panel

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Presentation

The factors of the Program Components are

Boys	2.5
Girls	2.5

Levels explanations
For Chicks ISU 7 and younger Singles, in all elements, which are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

ENTRIES

ENTRIES BY NAME
All Members / Clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with the ISU, may enter competitors in each category. The OC reserves the right to limit the number of participants to one (1) Entry in each category in case of overcrowding**.**

ENTRIES OF JUDGES
Each participating ISU Member may nominate Judges for the event. Only at least National Judges will be accepted. The OC reserves the right to limit the number of judges in accordance with the number of the Skaters' Entries. The Organizing Committee will only cover the board and lodging **for judges accepted in the panel only** for the period: from the dinner before the day of their activity until the end of their activity. Please, be aware that judges not involved in the panel have to cover their own expenses (board and lodging).

In case of too many nominated Judges, the OC reserves the right to draw the panel of Judges within seven (7) days after the closing date for Judges' entries. The confirmed list of Judges will be communicated to the respective ISU Members by 13 November 2026 at the latest.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES
The names of all team members must be submitted through the official online entry platform no later than:
28 October 2026 at the latest

Entries must be submitted through the official online entry platform (hereinafter referred to as KRINVO):
Register on the platform – **for first-time users**
Log in to the platform – **for registered users**

Please note that the Organizing Committee will accept entries until the given deadline. It is not possible to make entries after it.
Due to the limited number of participants per category, entries are not considered confirmed upon submission. The Organizing Committee will confirm accepted entries by 4 November 2026.
Entries not confirmed by 4 November 2026 will be placed on the waiting list and may be confirmed at a later stage in case of cancellations.

ENTRY FEE
100 EUR/person, 130 EUR/couple

LATE PAYMENT ENTRY FEE
If payment is not received by the deadline, the following late payment entry fees will apply:
120 EUR/person, 150 EUR/couple

PAYMENTS

Please only pay entry fees upon confirmation of entries!

The deadline for the payment of entry fees is:

13 November 2026 at the latest

Entry fees paid by the payment deadline must be settled through KRINVO. Two payment methods are available:

Credit card payment or bank transfer

In case of bank transfer, a payment request (proforma invoice) can be downloaded directly from the online entry platform. The document contains all necessary payment details, including the bank account information and the unique payment reference/identification number to be indicated when making the transfer.

In case of credit card payment, the payment can be completed directly through the online entry platform.
Once the payment has been received and processed, the final invoice will be issued and made available for download directly from the online entry platform.

Please note that all banking charges related to bank transfers must be borne by the payer.

Entry fees for cancellations received after 24:00 local time on 13 November 2026, as well as in case of a no-show at the competition, will not be refunded.

Payment on site (with late payment fees):
Cash at registration
Accepted currencies: EUR, HUF
Credit card
Accepted credit cards: Visa, Visa Electron, V Pay, Mastercard, Maestro. Please note that American Express is **not** accepted. **In case of credit card payment, the OC will charge +4% for the occurring banking fees.**

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation will be at the Ice Rink between 1-6 December 2026.

Preliminary opening hours:

Day	Accreditation
December 1, Tuesday	14:00 – 18:00
December 2, Wednesday	08:00 – 20:00
December 3., Thursday	08:00 – 20:00
December 4, Friday	08:00 – 20:00
December 5, Saturday	08:00 – 18:00
December 6, Sunday	08:00 – 14:00

In accordance with the relevant ISU requirements, a copy of each Skater's passport must be provided at accreditation for verification.

EXPENSES

The Organizer covers the expenses of competition, organization, awards and board & lodging (in case of judges only for those who are on duty, which will be announced until 13 November 2026). Travel expenses to and from Budapest, transfer costs to and from the Official Hotel and Airport **will not be covered** by the organizer (with the exception of officials).
The expenses for rooms and meals, travel and transfer of the Team Leaders, Competitors and other Team officials **will not be covered** by the organizer and are on the account of the Teams.

ACCOMMODATION

The official hotel prices are the following:

HOTEL LIONS GARDEN – hotel for officials and teams
H-1146 Budapest, Cházár András utca 4.

Type of room	Rate with breakfast and taxes
SINGLE ROOM	160 €/night/room
DOUBLE ROOM	190 €/night/room
TRIPLE ROOM (extra bed)	240 €/night /room

In order to benefit from the above-mentioned special room rates at the official hotels, room reservations for all team members must be made exclusively through the Organizing Committee via submitting request by e-mail, payments must be settled through KRINVO online platform.

All hotel reservations must be submitted by e-mail no later than 28 October 2026.

Hotel bookings submitted by any other means cannot be guaranteed by the Organizing Committee.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVED HOTEL ROOMS

Hotel cancellations can only be accepted in writing no later than three (3) weeks prior to arrival. Cancellations received after this deadline will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of the total accommodation cost.

Accommodation Payment
The cost of accommodation must be paid through the KRINVO online platform, either by credit card or bank transfer, in accordance with the payment instructions provided on the platform.
All extra expenses incurred by any person during their stay are the responsibility of that person and must be settled directly with the hotel prior to departure.

ARRIVAL OF JUDGES AND OFFICIALS

Judges and officials taking part in the Competition are requested to announce the flight/train numbers, dates and times of arrival and departure or any other information concerning transportation to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but no later than **13 November 2026**.

MEETINGS FOR JUDGES AND OFFICIALS

The confirmation of the list of Judges will be announced until 13 November 2026. The Initial Judges Meeting will be held on the day of each respective category. Direct e-mails will be sent to all relevant Judges, but also please follow the dates and times at www.hunskate.hu. The date for Round Table Discussion will be agreed with the respective referees.

TRANSPORTATION

Please, be aware that the Organizing Committee **does not provide** any transportation for the participants. However, we suggest that you use the Official Airport Shuttle service, Minibud, which is the official partner of Budapest Airport.
Please find more info at: https://www.minibud.hu/en

GDPR

By entering all participants accept that personal data are collected by the Organizing Committee (OC) and such data are stored and used by the OC and when necessary, third parties, for the purposes only of and to the extent necessary only in relation to facilitate their participation in the competition. Personal data may include but will not be limited to full legal name as per national identity documents, address, date of birth, nationality, sex.

INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the Santa Claus Cup 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 of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the

premium for such insurance.

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

DRAW

Draws for the categories FS CHICKS, MINI CHICKS, CUBS, MINI CUBS and ID CUBS will be done by electronic random draw, on the day preceding the event and will be published on the same day.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE – STARTING TIMES

Please, be informed that only the category starting times are fixed and that all changes in entries and Preliminary Program might be followed at **www.hunskate.hu** and on the information board in the ice rink.

UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE

For availability, time frames and prices, please refer to the KRINVO online platform.

Available unofficial practice sessions will be uploaded to the KRINVO platform following the confirmation of entries. Please indicate and book the unofficial practice session(s) you intend to attend directly through KRINVO.

Payment for unofficial practice must also be completed through the KRINVO online platform, either by credit card or bank transfer, in accordance with the payment instructions provided on the platform.

MUSIC

Music submission must be done in accordance with Rule 343 of the ISU Sports Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2026. The competitor's music must be uploaded through the **KRINVO online platform**.

The music file for each Competitor must be uploaded under the respective **Competition Entry** in KRINVO no later than:

13 November 2026

Each submission shall be labelled with the name of the ISU Member, name of the category, segment and the name(s) of the Competitor(s).
Example: GBR_Cubs Girls_FS_EXAMPLE-Jane

Music files must be submitted in **MP3 or Wav format**. Any other file format will not be accepted. Please note that files in MP3 format may have a significant difference in music quality when reproduced. The Organizing Committee is not responsible if the music quality is insufficient.

Each Competitor must have their own back-up copy of the music on a **USB stick** for each program in MP3 or Wav format.
Please note that CDs will not be accepted by the Organizing Committee.

Program Content Sheets have to be sent to the Organizing Committee latest by 1**3** November 2026.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best placed Skaters/Couples in each event will be announced and honored. Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists. All participants will receive a diploma with their placement. The exact time of the Awarding Ceremonies will be announced in the detailed schedule in due time. Please make sure that all skaters are represented at the Ceremony.

For further information, please contact:

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM SCHEDULE (Subject to change)

Saturday, 5 December 2026	09:00	Competition **ID Cubs Pattern Dance**
Sunday, 6 December 2026	08:00	Competition **FS Mini Chicks Boys Free Program** **FS Chicks Boys Free Program** **FS Mini Cubs Boys Free Program** **FS Cubs Boys Free Program** **FS Mini Chicks Girls Free Program** **FS Chicks Girls Free Program** **FS Mini Cubs Girls Free Program** **FS Cubs Girls Free Program** **ID Cubs Free Dance**

Please note that the schedule is subject to change, including the competition days. Following the confirmation of entries, the preliminary schedule will be shared with all participants.

FORMS AND DEADLINES

Number	Form / Action	Format	Deadline
N/A	Entry Form for Competitors	KRINVO	**28.10.2026**
N/A	Confirmation of Entries	by e-mail and KRINVO	**04.11.2026**
N/A	Hotel Reservation Request	KRINVO	**28.10.2026**
N/A	Entry Fee Payment	KRINVO	**13.11.2026**
N/A	Judges and Officials Travel Information	by e-mail	**13.11.2026**
N/A	Unofficial Practice Request	KRINVO	**After confirmation of entries – deadline TBC**
N/A	Unofficial Practice Payment	KRINVO	**TBC**
N/A	Visa Request Form	by e-mail	**ASAP**
N/A	Music Submission	KRINVO – Competition Entry	**13.11.2026**