

Announcement



International Hofstad Cup

25 & 26 Januari 2025
The Hague
The Netherlands



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1. Information

Dear skaters and coaches,

We are pleased to invite you to the international Hofstad Cup 2025, which will take place on the 25th and 26th of January 2025. The competition will take place on the ice rink "De Uithof" The Hague in the Netherlands. We are so happy to bring this figure skating competition back to this legendary location. During the competition there are several levels, from starters to seniors and adults for all genders. In addition to the regular classification, the skaters who are competing in this international competition can also have a possibility to win the Hofstad Cup 2025. The rules are explained in the following invitation. Closing date to enter the Hofstad Cup is the 15th of November 2024.

To enter the competition use the following website to register cup.kunstschaatsen-amaranth.nl

We hope to welcome you and wish you a lot of success in the competition!

For further information, please contact us or check our website www.kunstschaatsen-amaranth.nl

Sincerely,
Team Amaranth

2. Organization

The competition is organized by the figure skating club Amaranth

3. Ice Rink

Sportainment Center De Uithof
Jaap Edenweg 10
2544 NL Den Haag
The Netherlands
Website: <https://deuithof.nl>

The rink is an indoor rink (60 m x 30 m), (196ft x 65ft)
You can park in front of the the sports complex. Parking is free of charge.

4. The Competition

Hofstad Cup for the Basic Novice, Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2024 and the relevant ISU Communications and subsequent updates.

The following categories will be conducted in accordance tot he KNSB national regulations [Specifieke_Bepalingen_Kunstrijden_2024-2025_v1.01.pdf](#) (knsb.nl) :

4.1 Registration

Every figure skating club can register in the international competition Hofstad Cup. This invitation has been sent to the figure skating federations in several countries. The competing skaters will skate their free program and it will be a “two day” competition.

The total number of participants can be limited according to the availability of the ice. The closing date to register is the 15th of November 2024.

Please fill in the official entry form to register at cup.kunstschaatsen-amaranth.nl

4.2 Categories single skating

- Hofstad Snowflakes (NL: Starters)
- Hofstad Edge Explorers (NL: Pupillen)
- Hofstad Dream Gliders (NL: Aspiranten)
- Hofstad Rising Edges (NL: Mini, midi and maxi)
- Basic novice A
- Basic novice B
- Advanced novice A
- Advanced novice B
- Junior A
- Junior B
- Senior
- Adults Bronze
- Adults Silver
- Adults Gold
- Adults Masters

4.3 Rules for the Cup

To compete as a club in the Hofstad Cup you have to register a minimum of 5 skaters. At least 3 skaters (excluding boys) have to compete in the three different categories.

For example :

The individual scores of these 5 skaters will be transformed into points for the cup competition (for example 1st place is 3 points, 2th place 2 and 3th place 1 point). The club which gets the highest points wins the cup.

4.4 Drawing of the starting order and time schedule

The competition will take place on two days. The starting order and time schedule will be announced on our [website](#) after the drawing in January.

4.5 Music

The music for the program has to be uploaded during the registration for the competition. Are you making any changes to your music please let us know at least a week before the competition. This can be send to wedstrijden@kunstschaatsen-amaranth.nl

4.6 Planned Program

For the categories starting from Hofstad Rising Edges to seniors and the adults require a planned program document. This document is required to be filled in during the registration process. Are you making any changes to your planned program please let us know at least a week before the competition. This can be send to wedstrijden@kunstschaatsen-amaranth.nl

The 4.7 Limitations

- The organizing committee will limit the entries up to the maximum in relation to the available ice.
- The competition secretary is required to register all of his/her skaters including all Planned Programs using the website program.

4.8 Closing date

The closing date and time is 15 November 2024 20:00

5. Judges

4.1 Judging

The competitors of the categories Hofstad Snowflakes (NL: Starters) Hofstad Edge Explorers (NL: Pupillen) Hofstad Dream Gliders (NL: Aspiranten) will be judged with the score card. See regulations.

The competitors of the categories Hofstad Rising Edges (NL: Mini, midi and maxi), Basic Novice (B), Advanced novice (B), Junior (B), Senior and Adults Categories will be judged with the ISU judging (small) system, this judgement will be done without a replay.

4.2 Judges

Each participating foreign club can propose a at the least national level qualified judge. Entries from a foreign club bringing a judge will have priority in case of too many entries. Names and mailadres of the candidate judges must be sent to wedstrijden@kunstschaatsen-amaranth.nl before the closing date 15th of November. These requests will then be made know to the Dutch Skating Federation. The organizing committee will provide all judges with food and if necessary lodging during the competition.

6. Expenses

6.1 Registration fee

Category	Price	
Hofstad Snowflakes (NL: Starters)	€ 55	For each skater
Hofstad Edge Explorers (NL: Pupillen)	€ 55	For each skater
Hofstad Dream Gliders (NL: Aspiranten)	€ 55	For each skater
Hofstad Rising Edges (NL: Mini, Midi and Maxi)	€ 65	For each skater
Basic novice (B)	€ 65	For each skater
Advanced novices (B)	€ 65	For each skater
Junior (B)	€ 65	For each skater
Senior	€ 65	For each skater
Adult Categories	€ 65	For each skater

6.2 Liability

In accordance with ISU rules the organizing committee accepts no liability for injuries or damages sustained by competitors. In accordance with ISU rules the responsibility for health and accident insurance lies with the athletes, officials and all other members of the team. Such insurance must include full medical care and repatriation.

7. Coaches

Only the coaches who are registered on the registration form will get access to the ice rink. The accreditation needs to be requested for each coach at the info desk.

8. Travel & lodging

Skaters, coaches and supporters may book travel arrangements and accommodations individually and at their own expense.

We recommend including cancellation insurance in case the number of entries exceeds the maximum capacity.

9. Groups, categories and Regulations

9.1 Groups

Reference date 1 July according to ISU Regulations.

Groups	Age	FP +/- 5 or 10 sec*	Regulations
Hofstad Snowflakes 1 (Starters 1 NL)	0 to 9 yr	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Snowflakes 2 (Starters 2 NL)	10 yr and older	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Edge Explorers 1 (Pupillen 1 NL)	0 to 11 yr	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Edge Explorers 2 (Pupillen 2 NL)	0 to 11 yr	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Dream Gliders 1A (Aspiranten 1A NL)	12 to 17 yr	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Dream Gliders 1B (Aspiranten 1B NL)	18 yr and older	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Dream Gliders 2A (Aspiranten 2A NL)	12 to 17 yr	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Dream Gliders 2B (Aspiranten 2B NL)	18 yr and older	2.00 min	See reg.
Hofstad Rising Edges 1 (Mini NL)	0 to 11 yr	2.30 min	See reg.
FHofstad Rising Edges 2 (Midi NL)	12 to 14 yr	2.30 min	See reg.
Hofstad Rising Edges 3A (Maxi 1 NL)	15 to 17 yr	2.30 min	See reg.
Hofstad Rising Edges 3B (Maxi 2 NL)	18 yr and older	2.30 min	See reg.
Basic Novice	0 up to 13 yr	2.30 min	ISU
Basic Novice B	14 yr and older	2.30 min	See reg.
Advanced Novice	10 up to 15 yr	3.00 min	ISU
Advanced Novice B	16 yr and older	3.00 min	See reg.
Juniors	13 up to 18 yr	3.30 min	ISU
Juniors B	19 yr and older	3.30 min	See reg.
Seniors	17 yr and older	4.00 min	ISU
Adult Bronze	25 yr and older	1.40 min	ISU
Adult Silver	25 yr and older	2.00 min	ISU
Adult Gold	25 yr and older	2.50 min	ISU
Adult Masters	25 yr and older	3.00 min	ISU

*For starters, pupillen and aspiranten +/- 5 sec. All other +/-10 sec.

Hofstad Snowflakes

Starters 1/2 (no jumps allowed)		Deduction / Bonus
1	Outside threeturns 3 in a row	-0.05 to +0.05
2	Upright T position on one leg	-0.05 to +0.05
3	Basic Spiral (no bielmann or variation)	-0.05 to +0.05
4	Basic spin on 1 or 2 feet	-0.05 to +0.05
5	Lunge	-0.05 to +0.05
6	1 or 2 feet dip glide	-0.05 to +0.05

Hofstad Edge Explorers 1 and Hofstad Dream Gliders 1A and 1B

Pupillen 1 & Aspiranten 1A and 1B You may only choose singel jumps: walz jump, sal or toeloop		Deduction / Bonus
1	Solo jump	-0.05 to +0.05
2	Solo jump	-0.05 to +0.05
3	Solo jump	-0.05 to +0.05
4	Combination jump of 2 jumps	-0.05 to +0.05
5	Spin of choice (footchange allowed)	-0.05 to +0.05
6	Spin of choice (footchange allowed)	-0.05 to +0.05
7	Stepsequence (min distance half ice floor) must contain 2 threeturns and 2 mowhawks	-0.05 to +0.05
8	Spiral at least 3 seconds (bielmann or other variation not allowed)	-0.05 to +0.05

Hofstad Edge Explorers 2 and Hofstad Dream Gliders 2A and 2B

Pupillen 2 and Aspiranten 2A and 2B You may choose all singel jumps except axel		Deduction / Bonus
1	Solo jump	-0.05 to +0.05
2	Solo jump	-0.05 to +0.05
3	Solo jump	-0.05 to +0.05
4	Combination jump of 2 jumps	-0.05 to +0.05
5	Spin of choice (footchange allowed)	-0.05 to +0.05
6	Spin of choice (footchange allowed)	-0.05 to +0.05
7	Stepsequence (min distance half ice floor) must contain 2 threeturns and 2 mowhawks	-0.05 to +0.05
8	Spiral at least 3 seconds (bielmann or other variation not allowed)	-0.05 to +0.05

Hofstad Rising Edges 1

FS	Girls and boys similar to Mini 3 components, maximum level 2
1.	Maximum of 5 jumps; 1 must be a axel, maximum of 2 combinations (2x 2-jump combi or 1 2-jump combi and 1 seq of 2 jumps). Triples and quads are not allowed. Only one double and one single jump can be repeat
2.	Combination spin with footchange minimum of 8 turns or combination spin with no footchange minimum of 6 turns. Flying entry allowed. If the spin has a footchange, only 1 feature per foot is counted
3.	One position spin, no footchange, no flying entry, minimum of 6 turns. The spin must be done in a basic position (sit, camel or upright) and gets a maximum of level base. Difficult features are only allowed after reaching the minimum turns but will not be counted as extra levels
4.	Stepsequence full use of the length of the ice rink with a minimum of 1 skating movement. When there is no skating movement in the step sequence it will get no value. Minimum of 2 difficult turns/steps must be clean for level base. Features 3 (body movements) and 4 (combinations of difficult turns) will not be counted as level

Level explanations:

For Hofstad Rising Edges 1, 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 and will be ignored by the technical panel

Hofstad Rising Edges 2 and 3A/3B

FS	Girls and Boys similar to midi and maxi 3 components, maximum level 2
1.	Maximum of 5 jumps; axel not required, maximum of 2 combinations (2x 2-jump combi or 1 2-jump combi and 1 seq of 2 jumps). Triples and quads are not allowed. Only one double and one single jump can be repeat
2.	Combination spin with footchange minimum of 8 turns or combination spin with no footchange minimum of 6 turns. Flying entry allowed. If the spin has a footchange, only 1 feature per foot is counted
3.	One position spin, no footchange, no flying entry, minimum of 6 turns. The spin must be done in a basic position (sit, camel or upright) and gets a maximum of level base. Difficult features are only allowed after reaching the minimum turns but will not be counted as extra levels
4.	Stepsequence full use of the length of the ice rink with a minimum of 1 skating movement. When there is no skating movement in the step sequence it will get no value. Minimum of 2 difficult turns/steps must be clean for level base. Features 3 (body movements) and 4 (combinations of difficult turns) will not be counted as level

Level explanations:

Hofstad Rising Edges 2 and 3A/3B, 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 and will be ignored by the technical panel.

Basic Novice B

FS	Basic novice B Ladies and men 3 components, maximum level2
1.	Maximum of 5 jumps; 1 must be a axel, maximum of 2 combinations (2x 2-jump combi or 1 2-jump combi and 1 seq of 2 jumps). Triples and quads are not allowed. Only one double and one single jump can be repeat
2.	Combination spin with footchange minimum of 8 turns or combination spin with no footchange minimum of 6 turns. Flying entry allowed. If the spin has a footchange, only 1 feature per foot is counted
3.	One position spin, no footchange, no flying entry, minimum of 6 turns. The spin must be done in a basic position (sit, camel or upright) and gets a maximum of level base. Difficult features are only allowed after reaching the minimum turns but will not be counted as extra levels
4.	Stepsequence full use of the length of the ice rink with a minimum of 1 skating movement. When there is no skating movement in the step sequence it will get no value. Minimum of 2 difficult turns/steps must be clean for level base. Features 3 (body movements) and 4 (combinations of difficult turns) will not be counted as level

Level explanations:

Basic novice B, 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 and will be ignored by the technical panel.

Basic Novice A

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Advanced Novice B

FS	Advanced novice B Ladies and men 3 components, maximum level3
1.	Maximum of 6 jumps; 1 must be a axel, maximum of 2 combinations or 1 combination and 1 sequence (one combination or sequence can contain 3 jumps, the other one 2 jumps) Triples are allowed and can be repeated one time in a combination. No quads allowed. A type of jump can only be repeated 3 times in the program regardless the amount of turns.
2.	Combination spin with footchange minimum of 8 turns. Flying entry not allowed.
3.	Flying camel spin minimum of 6 turns, footchange optional
4.	Choreo sequence

Level explanations:

For Advanced novice B, in all elements which are subject to levels, only features up to level 3 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for level and will be ignored by the technical panel.

Advanced novice A

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Junior A

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Junior B

FS	Junior B Ladies and men 3 components, maximum level 4
1.	Maximum of 7 jumps, one must be a axel. Maximum of 3 jump combinations or 2 combinations and one sequence (one combination or sequence can contain 3 jumps)
2.	Flying spin minimum of 6 turns
3.	One position spin, minimum of 6 turns
4.	Combination spin minimum of 10 turns
5.	Choreo sequence

Level explanations:

For junior B, in all elements which are subject to levels, only features up to level 4 will be counted. Any additional features will not count for level and will be ignored by the technical panel.

Senior

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Adults Bronze

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Adults Silver

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Adult Gold

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

Adult Master

The categories are held according to the most recent ISU Regulations and ISU Communications.

We look forward to seeing you in The Hague on January 25 and 26 of 2025!