



## **Asian Figure Skating Trophy 2011**

**August 23-26, 2011**

# **ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION**

**An International Competition**

**For Senior, Junior & Novice – Men, Ladies & Pairs**

**Sanctioned by**

**International Skating Union**

**and**

**Asian Skating Union**

**Organized by**

**Hong Kong Skating Union**





## 1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

The Asian Figure Skating Trophy 2011 will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and Special Regulations 2010, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pairs Skating and Ice Dance 2010, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Asian Figure Skating Trophy 2011 is open to all members of Asian Skating Union, which are also International Skating Union members. The TROPHY will be awarded to the winner of each category.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 1420, any competitor who does not have the nationality of the member that he/she represents, or who, although having such nationality, has represented another member in the past, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

## 2. TECHNICAL DATA

All events as well as the official practices will take place at the “Bing Xing Zhen Bing Hua Bing Chang” (30m x 60m), Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China. The facility is indoor, heated artificial ice surfaces.

Ice Rink address: No. 335, 3F, Building 2, One Mall, First International, Xincheng, No. 200, Hongfu Road, Nancheng District, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China.

### 2.1 Senior Men and Ladies

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 b), the participants must have reached at least the age of fourteen (14) before July 1 preceding the competition (born before July 1, 1997).

**SHORT PROGRAM:** The required elements to be performed are listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 511, paragraph 2 and the respective ISU Communications.

Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less.

**FREE SKATING:** In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 512 and the respective ISU Communications; special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program”.

Duration:

Men: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

Ladies: 4 minutes, +/-10 seconds

### 2.2 Junior Men and Ladies

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 c), the participants must



have reached at least the age of thirteen (13) and have not reached the age of nineteen (19) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1998).

**SHORT PROGRAM:** The required elements to be performed are listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 511, paragraph 3, the required elements for 2011-2012, and the respective ISU Communications.

Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less.

**FREE SKATING:** In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 512 and the respective ISU Communications; special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program”.

Duration:

Men: 4 minutes, +/-10 seconds

Ladies: 3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

### **2.3 Advanced Novice Boys and Girls**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 d), the participants must have reached at least the age of ten (10) and have not reached the age of fifteen (15) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 2001).

**SHORT PROGRAM:** The required elements to be performed has been listed in the ISU Communications No. 1649, as follows:

Advanced Novice Boys:

- a) Axel Paulsen or double Axel Paulsen
- b) Double or triple jump immediately preceded by connecting steps, may not repeat jump in a)
- c) One jump combination consisting of two double jumps or one double and one triple jump, both jumps may not repeat jump in a) or b)
- d) Camel or sit spin (minimum of six (6) revolutions) with change of foot and no flying entrance
- e) Spin combination with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (minimum of five (5) revolutions on each foot)
- f) One step sequences with full utilization of the ice surface (straight line, serpentine/circular)

Advanced Novice Girls:

- a) Axel Paulsen or double Axel Paulsen
- b) Double or triple jump immediately preceded by connecting steps, may not repeat jump in a)
- c) One jump combination consisting of two double jumps or one double and one triple jump, both jumps may not repeat jump in a) or b)
- d) Layback or sideways leaning spin (minimum of six (6) revolutions)
- e) Spin combination with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (minimum of five (5) revolutions on each foot)
- f) One step sequence with full utilization of the ice surface (straight line / circular /serpentine)

Duration: 2 minutes and 30 seconds maximum, but may be less.

**FREE SKATING:** The explanation for a “well balanced program” has been listed in the ISU Communication No. 1649, as follows:

**Advanced Novice Boys and Girls**

- a) Maximum 6 jump elements for Girls and 7 jump elements for Boys one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Only two (2) jumps with two and a half (2 1/2) revolutions or more can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature, one of which must be a spin combination (minimum of ten (10) revolutions) and one a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance (minimum of six (6) revolutions).
- c) There must be a maximum of one (1) step sequence

**Duration:**

Boys: 3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

Girls: 3 minutes, +/-10 seconds

**LEVELS  
EXPLANATIONS**

For Advanced Novice Singles, 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 requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

**PROGRAM  
COMPONENTS**

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance/Execution
- Interpretation

**FACTORS**

The factors for the Program Components is

- a) Short Program
  - for boys 1.0.
  - for girls 1.0
- b) Free Skating
  - for boys 1.5
  - for girls 1.7

**2.4 Basic Novice B Boys and Girls**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 d) and ISU Communication No. 1649, the participants must have reached at least the age of thirteen (13) and have not reached the age of fifteen (15) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 1998).

**FREE SKATING:** The explanation for a “well balanced program” has been listed in the ISU Communication No. 1649, as follows:

**Boys and Girls**

- a) Maximum of 5 jump elements for Girls and 6 jump elements for Boys one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. A jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Only two (2) jumps with two and a half (2 1/2) or more revolutions can be repeated either in a jump combination or in a jump sequence.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature, one of which must be a spin combination (minimum of ten (10) revolutions in total) and one a flying spin or a spin with a flying entrance (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total).
- c) There must be a maximum:
  - (i) for Girls one (1) step sequence or one (1) spiral sequence consisting of max. two (2) spiral positions. The sequence (step or spiral) will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
  - (ii) for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Duration: 3 minutes, +/-10 seconds



**LEVELS** For Basic Novice B Singles, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only  
**EXPLANATIONS** 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.

**PROGRAM** The Program Components are only judged in  
**COMPONENTS**

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution
- Interpretation

**FACTORS** The Factor of the Program Components is 

- for boys 2.0
- for girls 1.7

### **2.5 Basic Novice A Boys and Girls**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 d) and ISU Communication No. 1649, the participants must have reached at least the age of ten (10) and have not reached the age of thirteen (13) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1998 and June 30, 2001).

**FREE SKATING:** The explanation for a “well balanced program” has been listed in the ISU Communication No. 1649, as follows:

Boys and Girls

- a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combinations can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. 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).
- c) There must be a maximum:
  - (i) for Girls one (1) step sequence or one (1) spiral sequence consisting of max. two (2) spiral positions. The sequence (step or spiral) will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
  - (ii) for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Duration: 2 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

**LEVELS** For Basic Novice A Singles, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only  
**EXPLANATIONS** 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.

**PROGRAM** The Program Components are only judged in  
**COMPONENTS**

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution

**FACTOR** The Factor of the Program Components is 2.5.



## **2.6 Senior Pairs**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 b), the participants should have reached at least the age of fourteen (14) before July 1 preceding the competition (born before July 1, 1997).

**SHORT PROGRAM:** The required elements to be performed are listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 520, paragraph 2, the required elements for 2011-2012, and the respective ISU Communications.

Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less.

**FREE SKATING:** In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 521 and the respective ISU Communications; special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program”.

Duration: 4 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

## **2.7 Junior Pairs**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 c), the participants should fulfill the following age limits:

Female must have reached at least the age of thirteen (13) and have not reached the age of nineteen (19) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1998).

Male must have reached at least the age of thirteen (13) and have not reached the age of twenty-one (21) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1990 and June 30, 1998).

**SHORT PROGRAM:** The required elements to be performed are listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 520, paragraph 3, the required elements for 2011-2012, and the respective ISU Communications.

Duration: 2 minutes and 50 seconds maximum, but may be less.

**FREE SKATING:** In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010, Rule 521 and the respective ISU Communications; special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program”.

Duration: 4 minutes, +/-10 seconds



## **2.8 Advanced Novice Pairs**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 d), the participants must have reached at least the age of ten (10) and have not reached the age of fifteen (15) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 2001).

**FREE SKATING:** The explanation for a “well balanced program” has been listed in the ISU Communication No. 1649, as follows:

### Advanced Novice Pairs

- a) Two different lifts of Groups 1 to 4, one arm holds not allowed, (in group 1 and 2 full extension of the lifting arm of the partner is not required).
- b) One Lutz Twist lift (single or double)
- c) One Throw jump (single or double)
- d) One solo jump (single or double)
- e) One solo spin or solo spin combination (minimum of five (5) revolutions in total) or pair spin or pair spin combination (minimum of five (5) revolutions in total)
- f) One death spiral or any other pivot figure \*)
- g) One spiral sequence with at least two (2) spiral positions with fixed Base value and GOE only
- h) One step sequence: serpentine, circular or straight line with full utilization of the ice surface  
\*If a death spiral is executed, it is marked according to ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2010. In other cases for the Death Spiral there are no levels.

Duration: 3 minutes and 30 seconds, +/-10 seconds

**LEVELS EXPLANATIONS** For Advanced Novice Pairs, 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 requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

**PROGRAM COMPONENTS** The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Transitions
- Performance/Execution
- Interpretation

**FACTOR** The Factor of the Program Components is 1.8.

## **2.9 Basic Novice Pairs**

**AGE LIMITS:** In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 d), the participants must have reached at least the age of ten (10) and have not reached the age of fifteen (15) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 2001).

**FREE SKATING:** The explanation for a “well balanced program” has been listed in the ISU Communication No. 1649, as follows:

### Basic Novice Pairs

- a) Two different lifts of Group 1 to 2, one arm holds not allowed (full extension of the lifting arm of the partner is not required)
- b) One Lutz Twist lift (single)
- c) One solo jump (single or double)
- d) One solo spin, no change of foot, change of position optional, minimum five (5) revolutions or one pair spin, minimum 5 revolutions



- e) One pivot figure \*)
- f) One spiral sequence consisting of max. two (2) spiral positions. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.  
\*If a death spiral is executed, it is marked according to ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating. In other cases there are no Levels.

Duration: 3 minutes, +/-10 seconds

<b>LEVELS</b>	For Basic Novice Pairs, in all elements which are subject to Levels, only
<b>EXPLANATIONS</b>	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.
<b>PROGRAM COMPONENTS</b>	The Program Components are only judged in <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Skating Skills</li><li>➤ Performance/Execution</li></ul>
<b>FACTOR</b>	The Factor of the Program Components is 3.5.

### 3. ENTRIES

Each ASU member has the right to enter **up to 3 competitors / pairs for each category** in the Asian Figure Skating Trophy 2011.

Each ASU member has the right to nominate **up to 1 judge** who must be an international or ISU judge listed in the relevant ISU Communications.

Should there be too many judges nominated, the Organizing Committee and ASU Technical Committee reserve the right to draw for the composition of panels beforehand and inform those judges who are not drawn for service.

Entries must be submitted by the ASU Member concerned to the Organizing Committee, no later than **July 23, 2011**, by letter, fax or electronic email to:

**Hong Kong Skating Union**

*Room 1023, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong*

*Phone: +852 2577 8010 Fax: +852 2504 8191*

*E-mail: [entries@hksu.org](mailto:entries@hksu.org)*

*Event Homepage: [www.hksu.org/contents/at11.html](http://www.hksu.org/contents/at11.html)*

Competitors and Officials must submit, together with the entry forms, the “Declaration” and “Program Content Sheet” (for competitors only). It is not allowed to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the acting officials.

### 4. MEALS, LODGING, PREPAYMENT AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

The Organizing Committee will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for the Judges and Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists and the Data & Replay Operators once the nomination has been officially accepted. The Organizing Committee will cover the above-mentioned expenses beginning from **lunch on August 22, 2011** until **breakfast on August 27, 2011**. If any longer period is agreed upon with the Organizing Committee, the period of coverage could be extended.





The Organizing Committee will cover the travel expenses (economy class) for the Referees, the Technical Controllers, the Technical Specialists and the Data & Replay Operators.

All expenses incurred by any competitor or any kind of official of each participating ASU member will be the responsibility of the individual and must be paid to departure.

## 5. ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS

All Referees, Technical Controllers, Judges, the Technical Specialists, all other Event Officials, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials are requested to announce as soon as possible but not later than **July 23, 2011** to the Organizing Committee, by the enclosed forms, the names of the airlines, flight numbers, dates and times of arrival at **Guangzhou Baiyun Airport (IATA Code: CAN)**.

Delegations and guests will be met at the Guangzhou Baiyun Airport from August 21, 2011. The Teams (Competitors, Team Leaders and Federation Officials) will have priority to the transportation. Coaches, Medical Staff and Team Chaperones will be allowed to use the transportation if space is available.

## 6. VISA

All participants are expected to apply for the **Chinese visa** (visa for China Mainland, not for Hong Kong S.A.R) in your own country or region by yourselves if it is needed. Please contact the Chinese Embassy or Consulate in your country or region to clarify your case.

## 7. OFFICIAL HOTEL

### **Dongguan Exhibition International Hotel**

*North Exhibition Road, New City Centre, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China*

*Phone: +86 769 2288 9999 Fax: +86 769 2288 0077*

*Homepage: <http://www.eihotel.com/English/index.htm>*

The Ice Rink is at around 1200m walking distance from the Official Hotel (shuttle bus service between the Ice Rink and the Official Hotel will be provided by the Organizing Committee).

### **Room Rate: Single and Twin USD70/room/night (tax and breakfast included)**

A pre-payment is required for all team members (Competitors, Coaches, Medical Staff, Team Leader, Team Officials and Chaperone) to guarantee the availability of the rooms. Please use the official Hotel Sheet attached to this Announcement for booking and calculation. The pre-payment (50% of the total amount) should be made no later than **July 23, 2011**, otherwise your reservation and above price will not be guaranteed. The rest of the payment should be paid upon the arrival of the delegations.

## 8. ACCREDITATION

The official accreditation will be made at the lobby of the Official Hotel upon arrival. All the competitors and judges will be required to present their passports (and clearance certificate if passport is not the same as the member entering the competitor). Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport.



## 9. PRACTICE

Official practice for competitors will be provided one day before the competition and in the morning time on the date of competition. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of accreditation.

## 10. DRAWS – ORDER OF SKATING

The draws for the starting order of the first segment will be held individually and per discipline at the Opening Draws on **August 22, 2011**. The time will be provided at the accreditation. There will be no draw for the starting order of the second segment (not valid for Basic Novice); the starting order of the second segment will be in reverse order of the first segment.

## 11. MUSIC

The competition music must be submitted on CD (Compact Disk). The CD must show the exact running time of the music (not skating time), which shall be certified by the competitor and the coach at the time of the accreditation. Each program (short/free) must be recorded on one track and on a separate CD. Competitors must provide a back-up CD for each program.

The titles, composers and orchestras of the music for the Short Program and Free Skating, must be listed for each competitor on the official Music Form and attached to the official Entry Form.

If music information is not complete or CD is not provided, accreditation will not be given.

## 12. EXHIBITION

All medalists and other competitors will be invited to give an exhibition on **August 26, 2011** at “Bing Xing Zhen Bing Hua Bing Chang”.

## 13. LIABILITY

It is the sole obligation of each member participating in this event, to provide medical and accident insurance for themselves. 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. The Organizing Committee assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the event.

## 14. SINGLE AND PAIRS SEMINAR

A single and pairs seminar for national level Technical Controller, Technical Specialist, Data & Replay Operator and Judges will be held during the Asian Figure Skating Trophy 2011, with the purposes of illustrating the basic information of the ISU Judging System, introducing the duty of each event official, educating the national level event officials and judges, and thus helping the Members build their own judging system and organize their own competitions.

The seminar is totally free of charge, and all the participants to the Asian Figure Skating Trophy 2011



(Coaches, Team Officials, Federation Staff, Competitors and Chaperones) are welcomed to join. The ISU Council member and ISU Single and Pairs Technical Committee member will also attend the seminar as Moderators.

## 15. INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

### **Hong Kong Skating Union**

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*E-mail: [entries@hksu.org](mailto:entries@hksu.org)*

*Event Homepage: [www.hksu.org/contents/at11.html](http://www.hksu.org/contents/at11.html)*

## 16. PROVISIONAL EVENT SCHEDULE (subject to change)

### **Monday, August 22, 2011**

- Official Practice (starting around noon)
- 19:00 Team Leaders' Meeting
- 20:00 Opening Draws
- 21:00 Referee and Technical Controllers Meeting
- 21:30 Judges Draw and Meeting

### **Tuesday, August 23, 2011**

- 08:00 Technical Panel's Meeting
- 09:00 Single and Pairs Seminar
  
- 15:00 Advanced Novice Boys – Short Program
- Advanced Novice Girls – Short Program
- Junior Men – Short Program

### **Wednesday, August 24, 2011**

- 09:00 Single and Pairs Seminar
  
- 14:00 Junior Ladies – Short Program
- Basic Novice B Boys – Free Skating
- Basic Novice B Girls – Free Skating
- Basic Novice A Boys – Free Skating
- Basic Novice A Girls – Free Skating
- Advanced Novice Boys – Free Skating
- Advanced Novice Girls – Free Skating

### **Thursday, August 25, 2011**

- 09:00 Single and Pairs Seminar
  
- 14:00 Men – Short Program
- Ladies – Short Program
- Junior Pairs – Short Program
- Pairs – Short Program
- Basic Novice Pairs – Free Skating
- Advanced Novice Pairs – Free Skating
- Junior Men – Free Skating
- Junior Ladies – Free Skating

### **Friday, August 26, 2011**

- 11:00 Men – Free Skating
- Ladies – Free Skating
- Junior Pairs – Free Skating
- Pairs – Free Skating
  
- 17:00 Exhibition
  
- 19:00 Closing Banquet