

# 2025 MASTERS SPRINT GAMES

## Announcement



22–23 February 2025  
500 S 84th St  
Milwaukee, WI 53214



The Pettit National Ice Center is pleased to invite you to participate in the following international speed skating competition:

## 16<sup>th</sup> Masters International Sprint Games 2025

Milwaukee, WI USA

Saturday, 22 February — Sunday, 23 February, 2025

This competition will be held according to the Constitution and Regulations of the International Masters' Speed Skating Committee (IMSSC) and the International Skating Union (ISU). The competition takes place indoors on the 400m standard track of the Pettit National Ice Center, on artificial ice. This competition is an event of the IMSSC 2024/2025 International Masters' Calendar.



### Organizing Committee

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## 1. Distances & Eligibility

The competition will take place on Saturday, 22 February and Sunday, 23 February, 2025. It is a four-distance sprint competition over a schedule of two days.

Day 1: Saturday, 22 February, 2025

Day 2: Sunday, 23 February, 2025

Women and Men: 500m #1 and 1,000m #1

Women and Men: 500m #2 and 1,000m #2

To be eligible, skaters must be a member of a National Speed Skating Federation recognized by the ISU and must have a license.

## 2. Age Groups

The competition takes place based on the following five-year age groups:

<u>AG*</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>AG*</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>
30	01.07.1990—30.06.1995	60	01.07.60—30.06.65
35	01.07.1985—30.06.1990	65	01.07.55—30.06.60
40	01.07.1980—30.06.1985	70	01.07.50—30.06.55
45	01.07.1975—30.06.1980	75	01.07.45—30.06.50
50	01.07.1970—30.06.1975	80	01.07.40—30.06.45
55	01.07.1965—30.06.1970	85	01.07.35—30.06.40 etc.

\*AG = five-year age group for Masters women and men, according to their birthdate as indicated above

## 3. Schedule

### 3.1. Training Times Before Competition

All skaters may skate during speed skating pack sessions prior to the competition. The cost to skate during each speed skating pack session is \$19 USD.

Schedule (subject to change)

Monday, 17 February: 09:30—11:15 and 16:00—19:00

Tuesday, 18 February: 09:30—11:15 and 16:00—18:10

Wednesday, 19 February: 09:30—11:15 and 16:00—19:00

Thursday, 20 February: 09:30—11:15 and 16:00—18:10

Friday, 21 February: 16:00—19:00

Please see the timetable on the page 5 for information regarding the official training session. This official session will be free for all competitors.



### 3.2 Team Leaders Meeting

The team leaders meeting will be held on Friday, 21 February 2025, at 13:00, in the Hall of Fame room at the Pettit National Ice Center.

At this meeting, entries will be confirmed and information regarding the event will be distributed. The draw will take place immediately following this meeting. There will not be a second team leaders meeting.

Drawings at the Masters Sprint Games must be done according to ISU Rule 240 paragraph 4, with three exceptions:

- On all the distances all 5-year age will be drawn/paired together and will compete together (Women and Men separately).
- Pairing for the third and fourth distances will be done based respectively on the classification after 2 and 3 distances (independent of age group). In both cases the lane (inner and outer) will be changed for every skater with reference respectively to the first distance (for the third) and to the second distance (for the fourth). However, every classification and the final ranking after 4 distances, must be done in separate 5-year age groups.
- If at more than 100 participants are competing, they shall be divided into two or more blocks. The first block completes its two distances before the next block, and so on. This will reduce waiting time between the two distances.

A skater who completes all distances successfully and obtains the lowest total of points in his/her five-year age group wins the four-distance competition in that group.



### 3.3 Preliminary Timetable

Date	Time **All Times in CST	Activity	Location
Thursday, 20 February	09:00–19:00	Check-In	Pettit National Ice Center
Friday, 21 February	09:00–11:15	Official Training	Pettit National Ice Center
	09:00–12:00	Check-In	Pettit National Ice Center
	13:00–14:00	Team Leaders Meeting and Draw	Pettit National Ice Center
	17:00	Welcome Drink & Reception	Embassy Suites
Saturday, 22 February	08:00–08:55	Official Training	Pettit National Ice Center
	9:00	Day 1 of Racing for All Competitors	Pettit National Ice Center
Sunday, 23 February	08:00–08:55	Official Training	Pettit National Ice Center
	09:00	Day 2 of Racing for All Competitors	Pettit National Ice Center
	15:00	Award Ceremony	Pettit National Ice Center
	18:00	Closing Banquet	Embassy Suites

### 4. Limit Times

If a skater wishes to participate in Masters Sprint Games, they must meet the following requirements in order to be allowed entry into the competition:

1. have a documented time (500m for MSG) on [www.speedskatingresults.com](http://www.speedskatingresults.com), or similar, and;
2. have a documented time that meets the Minimum Time Standard (MTS) set forth in Rule 3.1.8, and;
3. have skated that MTS time during the previous two seasons.

If a skater fails to meet requirements 2) or 3) above they should contact their IMSSC Country Representative. The organizer of the Masters Sprint Games and the Board of the IMSSC will decide whether the request will be honored. Contact [info@imssc.org](mailto:info@imssc.org) for assistance identifying your country representative.

Age Group	500m Maximum	Age Group	500m Maximum
Women 30	50.00	Men 30	45.00
Women 35	52.00	Men 35	46.00
Women 40	53.00	Men 40	47.00
Women 45	55.00	Men 45	48.50
Women 50	57.00	Men 50	50.00
Women 55	59.50	Men 55	52.00
Women 60	1.02.50	Men 60	54.50
Women 65	1.06.00	Men 65	58.00
Women 70	1.10.00	Men 70	1.02.00
Women 75	1.15.00	Men 75	1.07.00
Women 80	1.20.00	Men 80	1.12.00
Women 85	1.25.00	Men 85	1.17.00
Women 90+	1.30.00	Men 90+	1.22.00



## 5. Limitation of Participants

No limitations or quota are foreseen by the organizing committee. For this event the OC is ready to host a maximum of 200 skaters. In the unlikely event that this number is exceeded, the OC reserves the right to limit the number of participants depending on the registration order.

Quartet starts may be used for the 1,000m distance.

## 6. Prizes

Any competitor who successfully completes the four-distance contest obtains a medal and a souvenir. For the four-distance combination, the first three competitors of each five-year age group will be awarded a prize. Any competitor who successfully finishes the competition without disqualification obtains a certificate containing the final results.

Live results will be available on the **Sportity** App, password: **2025MSG**

## 7. Doping Control

Anti-doping tests may be carried out in accordance with the IMSSC guidelines available at: <https://imssc.org/mstr/anti-doping-guidelines/>

## 8. Entries

Entries must be made by filling in the Electronic Entry Form available on the PNIC website:

<https://speedskating.wufoo.com/forms/q1yh6dui1eqd64h/>

Dutch participants must first register via their regular channels on the website [www.schaatscircuit.nl](http://www.schaatscircuit.nl) and [inschrijven.schaatsen.nl](http://inschrijven.schaatsen.nl) in connection with their nomination/qualification process.

Confirmation of your participation can be ascertained in the Competitors' List present on the Sportity App.

A competitor is obliged to confirm his participation in person at the latest one hour before the first Team Leader Meeting of the competition. If the competitor is not able to confirm in person, he must inform the competition organization via email, phone, SMS or WhatsApp specifying first and last name at the latest 24 hours before the drawing of the competition.

**Deadline for Entries: Friday, 31 January, 2025 at 23:00 CST**



## 9. Entrance Fee

The entrance fee is fixed at **\$150 USD** per competitor. This includes a ticket to the Welcome Drink, a ticket to the Closing Banquet, as well as admittance to the official practice session on Friday 21 February from 9:00 to 11:15. The entrance fee must be paid prior to the registration deadline on **31 January, 2025 at 23:00 CST**

## 10. Additional Tickets

For accompanying persons and coaches, tickets for the Welcome Drink (\$28 USD per person) and for the Closing Banquet (\$58 USD per person) may be bought from the OC. Please order these tickets on the entry form during registration. At the Closing Banquet, drinks are included.

No cost for spectators during the competition.

## 11. Liability

In accordance with ISU Rule 119, the ISU, the IMSSC and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for, or liability with respect to, bodily or personal injury, or property damages, incurred with connection with the Masters' International Sprint Games 2025. Each skater or accompanying person is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

## 12. Accommodation

The official Host Hotel for this event will be the Embassy Suites. Rooms are available for competitors to make arrangements for their stay. The Welcome Drink and Closing Banquet will take place at this location.

Embassy Suites  
1200 S Mooreland Rd  
Brookfield, WI 53005  
United States

The OC has organized a discounted rate of \$119 per night for those competing in this competition.

Available Dates: 18 February - 24 February 2025

Group Code: 935

Reservations must be made by 4 February 2025 at 23:59 in order to receive the discounted rate.

Go to: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/mkembes-935-2f0c618c-f266-4c67-b147-ba9f4bee7e55/> or call +1 (844) 738–3913

All room reservations at this hotel include: free parking, complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast and complimentary evening reception.



### 13. Transfer From/To Airport

The transfer from the main airports of Milwaukee with public transport is not direct. The OC recommends a taxi or shared ride service. A complementary shuttle may be provided between the host hotel and Pettit National Ice Center on the on both competition days if there are a sufficient number of participants staying at the host hotel.

### 14. Additional Information

More information can be found at the official website for the competition, using the following link:

<https://www.thepettit.com/2025msg/>

For all queries, please contact the OC at [2025msg@gmail.com](mailto:2025msg@gmail.com)

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