

# ANNOUNCEMENT

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**Marquette, Michigan, USA**  
**September 8-12, 2009**

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On behalf of U.S. Speedskating, Northern Michigan University, and the Organizing Committee we have the honor and pleasure to invite you to the:



2006 National Championships, Berry Events Center

## 2010 U.S. Olympic Team Trials-Short Track

to be held at the  
**BERRY EVENTS CENTER**  
**Northern Michigan University**  
Marquette, Michigan, U.S.A.  
September 8-12, 2009

### **GENERAL REGULATIONS (see USS web site for complete and official procedures)**

Any athlete who skates a 9 lap time trial or 1000m mass start equal to or faster than 1:38.00 (women) and 1:30.00 (men) at any ISU or U.S. Speedskating sanctioned competition between 1 December, 2007 – 28, August, 2009, will be eligible to compete in the 2010 U.S. Olympic Team Trials-Short Track Speedskating. The time standards as well as a list of ISU and U.S. Speedskating sanctioned competitions and a complete list of regulations will be posted at [www.usspeedskating.org](http://www.usspeedskating.org). *U.S. Speedskating Regulations will take precedence if there is any conflicting language.*

### **EVENTS SKATED AT THE 2010 U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM TRIALS - SHORT TRACK**

The initial stage of 2010 U.S. Short Track Olympic Team Selection will be held over the five days of the 2010 U.S. Olympic Team Trials –Short Track Speedskating with the following program:

#### **PROGRAM - Update 8/20/09** *(all times are Eastern Standard Time)*

<b>Monday, 7 September</b>	7:00 p.m.	Mandatory Meeting for Athletes & Coaches at Holiday Inn
	7:30 p.m.	Officials Meeting at the Landmark Inn
	7:45 p.m.	Reception for Officials and VIP at the Landmark
<b>Tuesday, 8 September</b>	4:00 p.m.	9 Lap Time Trial 4 Lap Time Trial ( <i>top 16 skaters per gender from 9 lap time trial skate 4 lap time trials</i> )
<b>Wednesday, 9 September</b>	6:30 p.m.	Opening Ceremony
	6:45 p.m.	1500m Qualifying Rounds and Finals 500m Qualifying Rounds and Finals Awards Ceremony
<b>Thursday, 10 September</b> <b>Rest –No Competition</b>	1:30-3:00 p.m.	Ladies Ice Practice ( <i>for competitors only</i> )
	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Men's Ice Practice ( <i>for competitors only</i> )
<b>Friday, 11 September</b>	6:30 p.m.	1000m Qualifying Rounds and Finals 1500m Qualifying Rounds and Finals Awards Ceremony
<b>Saturday, 12 September</b>	6:30 p.m.	500m Qualifying Rounds and Finals 1000m Qualifying Rounds and Finals Awards Ceremony

## ENTRIES

Completed registration forms with the full payment are due to U.S. Speedskating on **Friday, August 28, 2009**. No late registrations will be accepted.

Competitors must be present in Marquette, Michigan at the latest by **6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 7** or the Organizing Committee must receive documented proof that the competitors are in transit and will arrive in due time for the competition. Competitors who do not comply with these requirements will be excluded.

## LODGING (Form A)

In order to reserve a room at the official headquarters hotel for this event, athletes must complete and return **Form A by Friday, August 28, 2009**. This form can be found online at [www.GoldRushSkate.org](http://www.GoldRushSkate.org). Transportation will only be provided from these official hotels.

## OFFICIAL HOTELS

The Holiday Inn is the official headquarters hotel for this event. Complimentary shuttle service from Holiday Inn and the Landmark to the ice arena will be provided by the Organizing Committee. Rates listed below do not include taxes.

### Competitors and Coaches

Holiday Inn  
1951 U.S. 41 West  
Marquette, MI 49855  
906-225-1351  
Rate: \$99/night/room– single or double  
[www.holidaymarquette.com](http://www.holidaymarquette.com)

### Officials Only

Landmark Inn  
230 North Front  
Marquette, MI 49855  
906-228-2580  
[www.thelandmarkinn.com](http://www.thelandmarkinn.com)  
*\*reservations to Landmark must be made through O.C.*

## ICE TRAINING TIMES

Unofficial event practice times will be available for training at the Berry Events Center beginning **Wednesday, September 2 through Sunday, September 6**. General times for unofficial ice practices are listed below and are subject to change. The cost for unofficial ice time will be \$20/person/session. **To request time, please complete Form A**. If any athlete would like to request unofficial practice prior to September 2, please contact the Organizing Committee directly.

### Unofficial Ice Times – Sept 2-6 \*\$20/session/skater

Days/Times	8:00-9:45am	12:00-1:45pm	6:00-7:45pm	8:00-9:45pm
Wed, Sept 2				
Thu, Sept 3				



Days/Times	8:00 - 9:45am	10:00-11:45am	12:00-1:45pm	6:00-7:45pm	8:00-9:45pm	
Fri, Sept 4						
Days/Times	8:00 - 9:45am	10:00-11:45am	12:00-1:45pm	3:00-4:45pm	6:00-7:45pm	8:00-9:45pm
Sat, Sept 5						
Sun, Sept 6						

### Official Ice Time - Monday, Sept 7 \* - No Fee

Days/Times	9:00-9:50am	10:00-10:50am	11:00-11:50am	Noon-12:50pm	1:00-1:50pm	2:00-2:50pm
<i>Men's Sessions</i>						
<i>Ladies' Sessions</i>						

## TICKETS

Upon request, each qualifying athlete will be given two (2) complimentary all-events tickets for the Olympic Trials. A ticket request form will be distributed in each athlete's informational packet that will be issued upon check-in into the hotel.

## TRANSPORTATION ~ Form A

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation as follows at no expense to the participants:

**AIRPORT PICK-UP - Sawyer Airport to the Holiday Inn & Landmark Inn – Incoming Arrivals**  
Monday, August 31 through Monday, September 7

**RINK SHUTTLES - Holiday Inn to and from the Berry Events Center**  
Saturday, September 5 through Saturday, September 12, 2009  
(refer to ice times for general time frame; specific schedules will be posted at hotel and rink)

**DEPARTURES TO AIRPORT – Official Hotels to Sawyer Airport –minimum 24 hours notice**  
Tuesday, September 8 through Monday, September 14

The date, airline, flight number, expected time of arrival, and the date and time of departure should be communicated to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible on **Form A** but **no later than 3 days prior to your arrival**. Please include the amount of special equipment (e.g. bicycles, massage tables, etc.) that needs to be transported. The following is a link to the local airport.



Sawyer International Airport (MQT)  
225 Airport Ave.  
phone: +1-906-346-3308  
<http://www.sawyerairport.com>

If you experience trouble getting into the Sawyer Airport, you can check on flights into the following airports. Both are approximately a 3-hour drive to Marquette. *Please note that it will be the responsibility of the participants to get ground transportation service from the airports below to Marquette.*

Sault Ste, Marie, Ontario Canada  
Flight Service 1-800-463-6377  
<http://www.saultairport.com>

Austin Straubel Airport (GRB)  
Green Bay, Wisconsin  
<http://www.co.brown.wi.us/airport>

## TRACK

The track is an artificial refrigerated indoor ice surface which measures 60 x 30 meters; protective padding will cover the boards in accordance with Rule 280, paragraph 5 and ISU Communication 1019. The standard track is 111.12 meters to the lap with measured curves of 8.50 meters and there will be 7 markers used to establish the curve. The length of the straight is 28.85 meters. Besides the original track there will be 4 tracks set up to preserve good ice conditions. One finish line will be used for all tracks.

## LIABILITY

U.S. Speedskating, Northern Michigan University, the USOC, and the U.S. Olympic Education Center assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with these Championships. Each participant is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

## MEDICAL/WAIVER/CONSENT/HIPAA FORMS

Each participant, official and coach will be required to complete U.S. Olympic Education Center forms prior to practicing or competing in this event. These forms can be found by going to the following web site [www.GoldRushSkate.com](http://www.GoldRushSkate.com) . **NOTE: Any participant under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian sign the forms.**

## **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

All official inquiries should be addressed per deadlines specified in this announcement to:

Organizing Committee  
U.S. Olympic Education Center  
Attn: Mike Fields, Assistant Director  
Northern Michigan University  
1401 Presque Isle Ave.  
Marquette, Michigan, U.S.A. 49855  
Telephone: (+1) 906.227.2888  
Fax: (+1) 906.227.2848  
Email: [mfields@nmu.edu](mailto:mfields@nmu.edu)

## **MEDIA ACCREDITATION**

All media accreditation inquiries should be addressed to:

Ms. Cindy Paavola, Director of Communications/Marketing  
Northern Michigan University  
1401 Presque Isle  
Marquette, Michigan, U.S.A. 49855  
Telephone: (+1) 906.227.2720  
Fax: (+1) 906.227.2722  
Email: [commark@nmu.edu](mailto:commark@nmu.edu)

**Web Site with Form A and Ticket Information**  
[www.GoldRushSkate.com](http://www.GoldRushSkate.com)

