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4th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving 2020

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1. Event Organisers

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1.5 Dedicated Website

www.airspace2020.com

2. Aims of the 2nd FAI European Indoor Skydiving Championships and 4th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving 2020

- To determine the winners in:

Indoor FS:

4-Way (Open), 4-Way (Female), 4-Way (Junior) and 4-Way VFS (Open).

Indoor Artistic Events:

4-Way Dynamic (Open, speed rounds only) and 2-Way Dynamic (Open), Freestyle (Open) and Freestyle (Junior).

- To support promotion and development of Indoor Skydiving as a global sport under FAI/IPC
- To deliver a world-class competition to competitors, spectators and the media.



3. Date & place of the 2nd FAI European Indoor Skydiving Championships and 4th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving 2020

3.1 Event Dates

Date	Description
23th March - 6th April 2020	Registered training period*
4th - 7th April 2020	Judges Training Course, arrival of Chief Judge of Training
6th April 2020 (Monday)	Arrival of Chief Judges, Freestyle Judging Workshop
7th April 2020 (Tuesday)	Arrival of Event Judges Pre competition training day 1**
8th April 2020 (Wednesday)	Official Arrival day Arrival of Judges Arrival of Officials / Delegations Arrival of Teams Registration Team Photos Pre competition training day 2**
9th April 2020 (Thursday)	Official Practice day (Speed setting Flights) Registration Opening Ceremony and Competition Draws Judges Conference Competitors and Team Leaders Meetings Team Photos
10th April 2020 (Friday)	Competition Day 1 (Start approximately 07h)
11th April 2020 (Saturday)	Competition Day 2 (Start approximately 07h)
12th April 2020 (Sunday)	Competition Day 3 (Start approximately 07h) Closing Ceremony & Awards (Start approximately 20h) Gala Dinner & Party (Start approximately 20h)
13th April 2020 (Monday)	Official Departure Day Departure of Delegations

* Max amount of training time allowed per team from the 4th till the 9th April will be 30 minutes per day.

** Each Team in each category, whose official registration reaches the Organiser of the competition before its official deadline, will have the opportunity, under the terms and conditions set by the Organiser, to book a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes Training Flights between 8:00 am and 24:00 pm (local time of the competition) to be performed within forty-eight (48) hours prior to Official Speed Setting Flights.

3.2 Location

Airspace Indoor Skydiving is located in Charleroi, in the south of Belgium. The facility lies next to the Brussels South Charleroi Airport, about a 40 minute drive from the city centre of Brussels.

ADDRESS Airspace Indoor Skydiving
Rue Charles Lindbergh 26
6041 Charleroi
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4. Travel and Transportation Information

Below you will find information on how to access our facility. For this event we highly recommend you get a **rental car**. We believe this is the best option for you to have the freedom you need during the event. A rental car will allow you to move more easily between your accommodation and the wind tunnel as well as give you lots of options for activities before, during and after the competition.

By Air

Brussels South Charleroi Airport (CRL)

Airspace Indoor Skydiving is located next to the Brussels South Charleroi Airport (CRL). The tunnel can be accessed by foot (20 minutes), taxi, car rental or via our shuttle bus service that will be provided on official arrival and departure dates.

Brussels Airport (BRU)

The main International Airport in Belgium, Brussels Airport (BRU), is located 55 km from Airspace Indoor Skydiving. The tunnel can be accessed by taxi, car rental or via our shuttle bus service that will be provided on official arrival and departure days.

Bus and train are alternatives that can also take you from Brussels Airport to Charleroi which is the closest city to Airspace Indoor Skydiving. To plan your travel please visit :

<https://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passngr/to-from-brussels-airport/train>

By Train / Public Transport

For competitors and spectators traveling from neighbouring countries, arrival by train is a good option. Direct trains to Brussels-Midi depart from Paris, Amsterdam, London and Luxembourg among other close population centres:

<https://www.raileurope.com>

<https://www.belgiantrain.be/en>

From Brussels-Midi there are both bus and train connections to Charleroi:

<https://www.raileurope.com>

<https://www.belgiantrain.be/en>

There are also shuttles going from Brussels-Midi to Brussels South Charleroi Airport every half hour between 03:30 - 22:30:

<https://www.brussels-city-shuttle.com/fr#/>

For competitors, judges and members of Official Delegations, Airspace Indoor Skydiving will, on official arrival and departure dates, be offering a shuttle bus service from the Charleroi-Sud station, where both busses and trains stop.

Road

Airspace Indoor Skydiving is located just off E 19 and E 42, which are large European highways. The table below provides some examples of the distance and time it takes to get to Airspace Indoor Skydiving by car from some of the nearby large population centres.

To Airspace Indoor Skydiving from:	Distance	Average Drive Time (by car)	Route
Amsterdam, NL	261 km	2 h 45 m	via E19
Paris, FR	289 km	2 h 59 m	via A2 E19
London, GB	403 km	4 h 49 m	via E42
Frankfurt, DE	393 km	3 h 59 m	via E42 A3
Düsseldorf, DE	222 km	2 h 14 m	via E42

Shuttle

On the official arrival and departure days Airspace Indoor Skydiving is offering a free, on demand shuttle bus service to competitors, Judges and Members of the Official Delegation. The transportation will be too and from Brussels Airports and the Charleroi Sud train station.

5. Entry: Fees & Registration

The entry fees below are per team and must be paid upon receipt of your invoice at the time of your final application submission. Payments can also be made via bank transfer.

5.1 Entry Fees

	Entry Fee	Sanction Fee*	Pre-event training***
4-Way FS	€620	+ 4 x FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	500€ /h
4-Way VFS	€620	+ 4 x FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	500€ /h
D4W	€620	+ 4 x FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	500€ /h
D2W	€485	+ 2 x FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	500€ /h
Freestyle	€370	+ 1 x FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	500€ /h
Additional team member	€270	+ FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	
Additional Event**	€60 discount		-
Official Delegation	€250	+ FAI/IPC Sanction Fee	-
Judge in training	€250		-
Additional Attendees****	€250		

*A Sanction fee will be paid to the IPC by Airspace Indoor Skydiving in respect of all competitors, Heads of Delegation, Team Managers and Team Coaches listed on an Official Entry Form. The amount per person was set to 110€ by the IPC at the 2019 Plenary Meeting in Lille, France.

**If a competitor registers for more than one event the team fee will be discounted by 60€ per each already registered competitor for the additional event.

*** Teams that have completed the final registration and have paid the full registration fee can book time at Airspace Indoor Skydiving prior to the event at a discounted rate. All team members have to be present and flying. Up to 10 days prior to the Event, time will be reserved for Competitors to book and fly at this rate.

****An Entry Fee of €250 will apply for any additional attendees who are not part of the official delegation or do not require a Sanction Fee to be paid. The Entry Fee will include the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, the Banquet and transportation.

Late registration may be accepted if capacity allows. The Entry Fee will be increased by 20% and the FAI/IPC Sanction Fee added to that.

Note:

Withdrawal from an FCE: A competitor who, or team which, withdraws before the official start date, from an FCE that does take place, having had their entry accepted, will be entitled to a refund of 50% of any entry fees paid (excluding Sanction Fees). A competitor, who or team which, withdraws after the official start date, from an FCE that does take place, having had their entry accepted, will have no right to a refund of any entry fees paid.

In the event of the competition being cancelled by the Organiser the entry fee is the only refund that will be available. No compensation will be awarded to cover travel and/or accommodation expenses incurred by teams.

5.1.1 Entry fee for competitors includes:

- Opening ceremony
- Competition costs (including speed check and potential re-flights)
- Shuttle bus service between the tunnel and recommended hotels throughout the competition
- Lunch with snacks and refreshments every day during competition.
- Closing ceremony and banquet including food and drink
- Entertainment
- Entry gift pack
- Discounted Pre-event flight time

5.1.1 Entry fee accompanying persons & members of official delegation includes:

(Anyone that is part of the Official delegation including Heads of Delegation, Team Leaders, Coaches and Judges in training)

- Opening ceremony
- Shuttle bus service between the tunnel and recommended hotels throughout the competition
- Lunch with snacks and refreshments every day during competition.
- Closing ceremony and banquet including food and drink
- Entertainment

5.2 Registration Procedure

Each FAI Member Country (NAC) may register up to:

Discipline	Number of teams/ country World Cup	Number of teams/country European Championships	Remarks
FORMATION SKYDIVING			
4-Way FS (Open)	4 (four)	1 (one)	Up to 5 competitors per team
4-Way FS (Female)	4 (four)	1 (one)	Up to 5 competitors per team
4-Way FS (Junior)*	4 (four)	1 (one)	Up to 5 competitors per team
4-Way VFS (Open)	4 (four)	1 (one)	Up to 5 competitors per team
DYNAMIC			
4-Way Dynamic (Open)**	4 (four)	2 (two)	Up to 5 competitors per team
2-Way Dynamic (Open)**	4 (four)	2 (two)	Up to 2 competitors per team
FREESTYLE			
Freestyle (Open)	4 (four)	2 (Two)	1 competitor only
Freestyle (Junior)*	4 (four)	2 (Two)	1 competitor only

* Minimum Age for Junior Competitors

For the purpose of all indoor skydiving disciplines, a junior competitor is a person over the age of 12 at the time of the competition or whose 13th birthday occurs during the calendar year in which the relevant competition takes place and under the age of 18 at the time of the competition.

** Maximum number of teams.

For Dynamic the max number of teams in both disciplines is 32. If the number of teams exceeds this the NACs with the highest number of registered teams will be asked to reduce their number of teams.

5.3 Payment procedure

Registration and payment for the 2nd FAI European Indoor Skydiving Championships and 4th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving 2020 will be conducted by following procedure.

STEP 1: PRELIMINARY REGISTRATION (Preliminary Entry date : 6 January, 2020)

Each NAC will receive an email invitation with the PRELIMINARY ENTRY FORM to fill out the required information of the team(s) representing their country.

Once the form is filled out, signed and stamped, the NAC representative should send it to :
worldcup2020@airspace.be

STEP 2: PRELIMINARY REGISTRATION ACCEPTANCE

Once a complete form is received, the Organiser will initiate an e-mail communication with the contact person to confirm the preliminary entry of the NAC as well as finalise the registration process. The deadline for the Preliminary Entry is the 29th January, 2020.

STEP 3: FINAL REGISTRATION

Based on the information submitted by the NAC, details will be sent via e-mail to each NAC and to each Team Captain to access the Final Entry online form.

Once all details are completed, the NAC/Team Captain will be asked to complete the payment*. An Invoice will be sent containing bank transfer details.

*Competitors will be required to pay any bank transfer charges issued by their bank.

Deadline for Final Registration and payment : 23 February 2020

Should any changes be required to the number of teams or team members, the change can only be made by the NAC Representative.

LATE REGISTRATION: 1 March, 2020

Any registration submitted after 23 February 2020 may be accepted only if capacity allows.

6. Event Facilities

Airspace Indoor Skydiving is designer-built for hosting big events. The building consists of two floors specifically designed to draw your attention straight to the flight chamber. Other facilities include an onsite restaurant, two changing rooms, a large conference room, two team rooms, a staff room as well as several office spaces that will be used for the competition staff.

The space around the flight chamber is sufficiently large for both live judging and the audience. The facility can also dedicate rooms for the judging panels as well as the media section. A temporary extension to the building will be set up to host gear storage facilities, preparation areas and creeping areas. A large professional kitchen is available in the facility for catering.

The private parking that belongs to the tunnel can fit up to 75 cars. We also have an arrangement with a nearby hotel if further parking space should be needed. The building is equipped with toilets and showers on both floors.

7. Wind Tunnel Details

Airspace Indoor Skydiving opened in April 2014 and is an ISG (Indoor Skydiving Germany Group) design. The ISG design makes for arguably the smoothest airflow of any vertical wind tunnel. The wind tunnel is 17 meters high with a 14,7 meter wide by 5 meter high flight chamber in glass. The wind tunnel is able to operate at a maximum speed equivalent to 310 km/h. The airlock allows for entering and exiting from the wind tunnel without having to shut down the tunnel.

8. Pre-event Training

Teams that have completed the final registration and have paid the full registration fee can book time at Airspace Indoor Skydiving prior to the event at a discounted rate. All team members have to be present and flying. Up to 10 days prior to the event, time will be reserved for Competitors to book and fly at this rate.

Each team or freestyle performer, whose official registration reaches the Organiser before its deadline, will be given the option of 15min of training time between 8:00 and 24:00 within 48 hours of the official training start. The team must book this time with the Organiser before the official registration deadline. After the deadline the Organiser may offer the remaining time to anyone. Junior performers have priority between 08:00 and 18:00.

9. Accommodation

9.1 Recommended Hotel. Official Hotel Airspace2020



Van Der Valk - Hotel Charleroi Airport

The [Van Der Valk - Hotel Charleroi Airport](#) will be the official Hotel for Airspace 2020. Competition staff will be lodged at this location where we will also hold the closing ceremony and banquet.

Equipped with Parking, free Wi-Fi and a Fitness room the Hotel Charleroi Airport is the highest standard hotel in close proximity to Airspace Indoor Skydiving. The

hotel is located 7 km from the competition venue. The drive by car takes 10 minutes. A rental car is highly recommended.

9.2 Other close-by Hotels

Ibis Budget Charleroi Airport

If you wish to travel on a low budget, [Ibis Budget Charleroi Airport](#) is the option for you. The hotel is located within walking distance to both Airspace Indoor Skydiving and Brussels South Charleroi Airport. It has a modest café, free parking and Wi-Fi and can provide an airport shuttle.



DC Hotel and Restaurant

The [DC Hotel and Restaurant](#) is frequently chosen by our customers because of its close proximity to Airspace and good standards. The access to the on site restaurant, free parking, Wi-Fi and an on demand Airport Shuttle provides you with everything you need for your stay at a reasonable price.

Hotel Aero 44 - Best Western Plus

Also within walking distance to our facility, the [Aero 44](#) is a Best Western Plus Hotel with an on site restaurant. This modern facility offers free Wi-Fi and parking to its numerous customers.



10. Equipment

All competitors are required to wear a helmet and equipment which is in compliance with the FAI Sporting Code Section 5. Metal components and plastic mounts are strictly forbidden in the flight chamber whether on helmets or any other equipment, including shoes. Competitors that fly with weight belts need to bring their own. These weight belts are subject to inspection from Airspace Instructors. The purpose of this inspection is to ensure that no part of the belt could come loose during flight.

If the competitor enters into the wind tunnel with exposed metal or plastic mounts despite warning, the organiser may hold him/her financially responsible for any damage to the wind tunnel equipment.

Music & Free Rounds For Artistic Flyers

Any Freestyle or Dynamic Team wishing to perform using music must submit their files by the 8th April 2020. The music file must be exactly as needed for the performance. All competitors wishing to perform with music should bring their own music headsets and receivers.

Athletes and teams performing to music must choose music tracks that are either free to use or that they can document having the rights to perform to. If not, they risk that the music will not be diffused either in the competition arena or on the live stream.

For Freestyle music duration must not be longer than 10 seconds over the routine's time*.

*Indoor Skydiving Competition Rules for Solo Freestyle 2019 Edition rule 2.8.

Example of free to use music : <https://freetouse.com>

11. Organisation Officials

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Restaurant & Event Manager	Auréli Schietecatte	aurelie@airspace.be

OFFICIALS

Head of Organising Committee	Håvard Flaar
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Meet Director	Michele Cnops
Assistant to Meet Director	Anya Ilyina-Grealy
FAI Controller	Trude Sviggum
Chief Judge - FS	TBA
Chief Judge - AE	TBA
Assistant to Chief Judge	TBA
Chief of Judge Training (Dynamic)	TBA
Video Controller	Fabien Thoumsin
Jury President	TBA
Jury Members	TBA

12. Judging and Scoring

- Formation Skydiving and Artistic Events: InTime Scoring System
- Dynamic Flying: Dynamr

13. FAI Judging Course In Dynamic

The FAI Judges Training Course in Dynamic will take place from 4th til 7th April 2020. Minimum number of participants to commence the course is 5 persons.

To participate in an IPC/FAI Judges Training Course you must be:

- A current National Judge in the relevant discipline and
- Satisfy the language requirements.

Registration:

Step 1: Your NAC must approve and register you for the FAI Judges Training Course with a mail to Karla Cole : karlacoled@aol.com and Airspace2020 : worldcup2020@airspace.be

Step 2: Scan the pages of your judges logbook from the past two years to prove your judging activities in the relevant discipline and send it to Karla Cole : karlacoled@aol.com

Payment of the judges' course will be by invoice once the entry has been accepted.

Price: The price per trainee is 160€. This price is to cover transportation, accommodation and food for the Chief Judge of Training for the duration of the course. The trainee is responsible for his or her own transportation, accommodation and food during the course. To cut costs we advise flying to Brussels South Charleroi Airport which is next to Airspace Indoor Skydiving. Further low cost hotels with onsite restaurants are mentioned under accommodation information.

14. Medical / Emergency Details

The building meets the safety and the emergency requirements needed for public use regarding evacuation procedures, fire safety, emergency exits, etc. Airspace Indoor Skydiving is located only 5 minutes from the hospital Clinique Notre Dame. An ambulance could be on site rapidly.

Emergency services can be reached in the European Union by calling 112. Airspace Indoor Skydiving lies close to many medical facilities and hospitals of good standard. The nearest hospital is:

Clinique Notre Dame
Chaussée de Nivelles 212
6041 Charleroi

15. Insurance, Waivers And Documentation

Airspace Indoor Skydiving does not request any flyer to hold third party liability insurance, however it is advisable to hold valid insurance. Any injury or damage is the responsibility of the participant.

Each participant entering the tunnel to fly will have to sign the Airspace Indoor Skydiving waiver document. Participants are responsible for covering their own repatriation and personal medical insurance for the duration of the stay for the competition.

Any damage at the accommodation facility, ceremony venues, lounges, etc is the responsibility of the person(s) involved.

Personal belongings are the responsibility of each person.

16. Visa Information

Kingdom of Belgium, Foreign Affairs, Visa for Belgium:

https://diplomatie.belgium.be/en/services/travel_to_belgium/visa_for_belgium

17. Rules and regulations

Rules: The competition rules are provided by the FAI and can be found at : <https://fai.org/ipc-documents> , under Sporting Code and Competition Rules Section 5: Parachuting & the General Section, then Indoor Skydiving.

Doping requirements and controls: Each competitor is responsible for his/her own medical situation and can check requirements at: <http://www.fai.org/cimp-documents>

18. Weather Conditions

Not applicable

19. FAI Sporting Licenses

A valid FAI Sporting License for 2020 is required and must be obtained through the competitor's NAC. All competitors must be registered by their NAC in the FAI Sporting License Database www.fai.com before submitting the Official Entry Form to the Organiser.

20. Other Matters

Official team uniforms are encouraged at all times.

Flags

All delegations are required to bring their official country flag to the competition.

All delegations are required to send their official country national anthem to :

worldcup2020@airspace.be

21. Media

FAI/IPC webpage : <https://www.fai.org/commission/ipc>

IPC webpage : www.worldskydiving.org

Airspace Indoor Skydiving webpage : www.airspace.be

Competition webpage : www.airspace2020.com

22. Official Bulletin #2

The second Bulletin will be provided no later than March, 2020.