

## 2nd IGF OLYMPIC GAMES PLANNING UPDATE

### Tokyo 2020

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In view of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games this year, the International Golf Federation (IGF) is pleased to provide this 2nd Olympic Games Planning Update to all potential qualifying athletes, their agents, National Golf Federation and National Olympic Committee Secretaries General and personnel, IGF Delivery Partners and IGF Professional Members.

This document aims to provide an overview of the practical aspects relating to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games experience.

Additional IGF Olympic Games Planning Updates will be circulated this year which will build on the information already provided to you. New information will be **highlighted** - please refer to the most recent IGF Olympic Games Planning Update for the most complete and up-to-date information. All of this information may also be found within the Tokyo 2020 pages [here](#) on the IGF website.

#### KEY CONTACTS

All potential contestants should contact their country's National Federation and National Olympic Committee at their earliest opportunity. The National Federations (NF) and National Olympic Committees (NOC) will be responsible for organizing and providing athletes' transportation, accommodation, accreditation, etc.

Contact information for National Federations can be found at:

<http://www.igfgolf.org/aboutigf/nationalmembers>

A full list of the National Olympic Committees can be found on the official website of the Olympic Movement: <http://www.olympic.org/national-olympic-committees>

Should athletes require any additional information or assistance, the IGF has nominated the following personnel dedicated to Athlete Relations for the Games in Tokyo:

#### **Men's Competition**

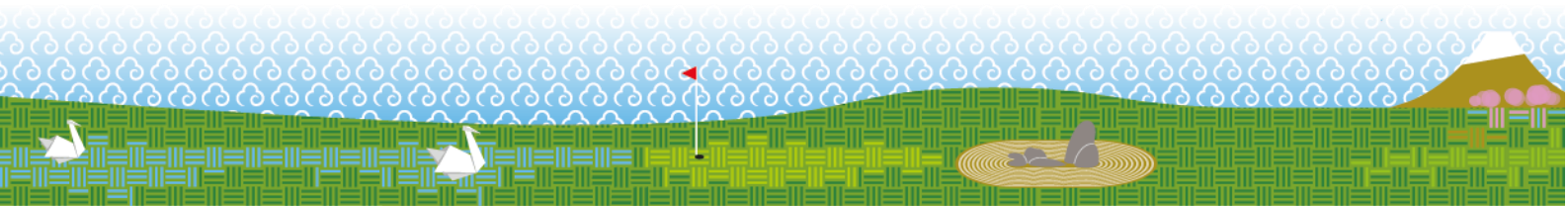
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## OVERVIEW

The Olympic golf competition and practice will be held at Kasumigaseki Country Club (KCC) in Kawagoe-city, Saitama prefecture, Japan, from Thursday 30 July to Sunday 2 August 2020 (Men's event) and Wednesday 5 August to Saturday 8 August 2020 (Women's event). The course is 71 km from the Olympic Village.

## VENUE

The Olympic Golf competition will be held at the par-71 East Course of Kasumigaseki Country Club (KCC). Opened on 6 October 1929, designed by the architects Kinya FUJII and Shirou AKABOSHI, remodelled by: C. H. ALISON (East Course - 1929) and Fazio Design (2016).

Over the years, the KCC has hosted multiple tournaments such as the Canada Cup 1957, Japan Open 1933, 1956, 1995, 2006, Japan Women's Open 1999, Japan Amateur Golf 1965, 1977, Japan Women's Amateur Golf 1956, 1964, 1974, Asian Amateur Championship 2010 and will host the 25th 2019 Japan Junior Golf Championship as the Tokyo 2020 Test Event in August 2019.

## EVENT FORMAT

The Golf competition consists of a 72-hole individual stroke play for both men and women (four rounds scheduled over four (4) consecutive days). Scores are cumulative from round to round. The player with the lowest aggregate score wins.

Medals will be awarded for first, second and third place to the lowest three individual finishers in each competition based on cumulative score after the completion of the event. Any ties for the first, second or third place finishers will be determined by play-off(s) as necessary.

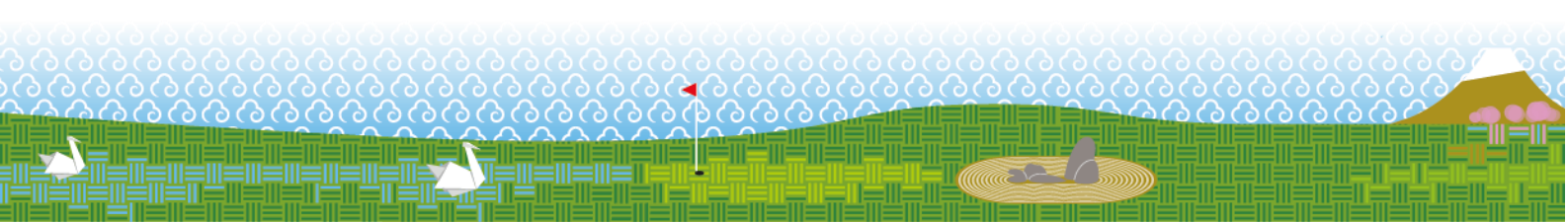
## GROUPINGS AND STARTING TIMES

Barring weather or unforeseen circumstances, the plan is to play in groups of three athletes off the 1st tee only for all rounds.

Groupings for rounds 1 and 2 will be published in advance.

Groupings for rounds 3 and 4 will be based on score.

The approximate tee times for all rounds will be 7:30 am to 11 am.



## COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Date	Fri 24-Jul	Sat 25-Jul	Sun 26-Jul	Mon 27-Jul	Tues 28-Jul	Wed 29-Jul	Thurs 30-Jul	Fri 31-Jul	Sat 01-Aug
<b>Olympic Day</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Golf</b>	Opening Ceremony	Practice	Practice	Practice	Practice	Practice	Men's Round 1 7.30 – 15.30	Men's Round 2 7.30 – 15.30	Men's Round 3 7.30 – 15.30

Date	Sun 02-Aug	Mon 03-Aug	Tues 04-Aug	Wed 05-Aug	Thurs 06-Aug	Fri 07-Aug	Sat 08-Aug	Sun 09-Aug
<b>Olympic Day</b>	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>Golf</b>	Mens' Round 4 7.30 – 16.00	Practice	Practice	Women's Round 1 7.30 – 15.30	Women's Round 2 7.30 – 15.30	Womens' Round 3 7.30 – 15.30	Women's Round 4 7.30 – 16.00	Closing Ceremony

## PRACTICE SCHEDULE

The [updated](#) practice schedule for men and women may be found within the IGF Olympic Golf Regulations available [here](#) on the IGF website.

## QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

The Qualification System for Golf may be found [here](#) on the IGF website.

In accordance with the Olympic Charter, the NOCs decide upon the entry of athletes proposed by their respective National Federations.

The IGF kindly requests to be notified should an NOC choose to apply a Qualification System for the selection of athletes for Tokyo 2020 that differs in any way from the official Qualification System.

## Timelines

Date	Milestone
1 July 2018 – 22 June 2020	Men's Qualification period to earn OGR points
8 July 2018 – 29 June 2020	Women's Qualification period to earn OGR points
22 June 2020	Men's end of Olympic Golf Rankings qualification period
23 June 2020	Men's Olympic Golf Rankings published & IGF to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places for the Men's competition
23 June 2020	IGF to publish Reallocation Reserve List for the Men's competition
29 June 2020	Women's end of Olympic Golf Rankings qualification period
30 June 2020	Women's Olympic Golf Rankings published & IGF to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places for the Women's competition
30 June 2020	IGF to publish Reallocation Reserve List for the Women's competition
2 July 2020	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to IGF
3 July 2020	IGF to reallocate all unused quota places
6 July 2020	Tokyo 2020 Sport Entries Deadline
29 July 2020	End of reallocation for the men's competition
4 August 2020	End of reallocation for the women's competition
24 July – 9 August 2020	Olympic Games Tokyo 2020

## Olympic Golf Rankings

- Tokyo 2020 Olympic Golf Rankings are published on IGF website & updated [weekly](#)
- Links to Reallocation Reserve Lists are also accessible & updated [weekly](#)
- A week-to-week summary of the currently qualifying NOCs and the number of athletes per NOC is also available on the IGF website, which includes a table with the split of NOCs per continent for each competition.

## OLYMPIC GOLF REGULATIONS

The IGF Olympic Golf Regulations state the overall rules, regulations and policies in place for the 2020 Olympic Golf Event in Tokyo 2020. The Olympic Golf Competition will be conducted in accordance with these Regulations and its appendices and the Rules of Golf. Any modification to the Rules of Golf contained in the IGF's Local Rules and Terms of Competition for the Olympic Golf Competition will be made available to athletes prior to their starting times. The most up-to-date version of the IGF Olympic Golf Regulations is available [here](#) on the IGF website.

## IGF GAMES REGISTRATION & REGULATIONS FORMS FOR ATHLETES AND CADDIES

All athletes must complete the IGF Athletes' Games Registration & Regulations form and all caddies must complete the IGF Caddies' Games Registration & Regulations form, confirming their agreement to abide by the IGF Olympic Golf Regulations and IGF Anti-Doping Policy, before being permitted to participate at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

In January 2020, athletes and caddies received an email from the IGF Athlete Relations Team with instructions to fill out the online IGF Games Registration & Regulations form. Please take note of the deadline of **2 March 2020** by when the form should be printed, signed and provided to the IGF.

## ANTI-DOPING

- The IGF will manage the Registered Testing Pool (RTP) for the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 in accordance with IGF Anti-Doping Policy.
- After signing the IGF Registration and Regulations Form, the athletes who are on the NOC long list will be part of the IGF's RTP as of 24 April 2020 - the beginning of the the IGF's Olympic testing programme.
- Athletes on the IGF RTP will be required to submit whereabouts as of 24 April 2020.
- All athletes included in the IGF's Olympic RTP will be contacted individually and provided with specific anti-doping information.
- The IGF will conduct tests on the IGF Olympic RTP athletes in the lead up to the Olympic Games in collaboration with the Professional Tours and National Anti-Doping Organisations; all athletes who qualify for the Olympics will be tested [at least once](#).
- The IGF's anti-doping programme for Tokyo 2020 is explained in detail in the IGF Anti-Doping Handbook for Tokyo 2020, which has been published [here](#) on the IGF website along with the 2020 IGF Anti-Doping Policy, IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to these Olympic Games, the 2020 Prohibited List, online education tools and other anti-doping information.

- For any queries about the IGF's anti-doping programme, please contact the IGF at [AntiDoping@igfmail.org](mailto:AntiDoping@igfmail.org)

### **NOC/NF PRE-GAMES VISIT POLICY**

NOCs/NFs planning to visit the KCC ahead of the Games need to refer to the pre-Games visit policy developed by Tokyo 2020, available [here](#) on the IGF website. Requests to play the course should be made through Tokyo 2020 "NOC Golf Play Request Form for Kasumigaseki Country Club" available [here](#).

### **TRANSPORT**

- The KCC is 71 km away from the Olympic Village (OLV) and [Tokyo 2020 has communicated that average travel times are expected to be approximately 79 minutes.](#)
- A Traffic Management System is under development by Tokyo 2020 and local authorities to facilitate and shorten the travel time between the OLV and the Kasumigaseki Country Club (KCC).
- The Organising Committee (Tokyo 2020) confirmed the provision of a car fleet service to be used by golf athletes and their immediate entourage between the OLV and the KCC which will offer more flexibility and comfort to the athletes.
- [Tokyo 2020 does not currently plan to provide this car fleet service for athletes staying outside of the OLV.](#) Athletes will have to make arrangements with the athlete's NOC for the provision of a car with a Vehicle Access and Parking Permit (VAPP). [NOCs can also purchase a Circulation VAPP through the Organising Committee Rate Card which will allow drop-off and pick-up \(no parking\) at the KCC.](#)
- The operational aspects of this "on demand" system are still to be presented by Tokyo 2020 and the final plan will be communicated to you at a later stage.

### **ACCOMMODATION**

- The Olympic Village (OLV) will be the home of the athletes and caddies.
- It is located in the Harumi district in downtown Tokyo.
- The OLV will provide all necessary accommodation, services, and recreational activities for the athletes, caddies and team officials in a unique, comfortable and attractive environment, which is both safe and secure.
- There is very limited alternative athlete accommodation located closer to the Olympic Golf Course. Should an athlete decide not to stay in the OLV, it is up to the NOC as to who is responsible for obtaining alternative accommodations and covering associated costs. Any athlete staying outside of the Olympic Village should also refer to their NOC for the provision of security for their accommodation. Athletes who wish to accommodate their families in Tokyo should also refer this to their NOC. It is recommended that athletes speak to their NOC to ascertain their policy on these matters.
- National Federations attending the Games should also speak to the relevant NOC to enquire about accommodation availability. The IGF has no allocation of hotel rooms for its membership.

## ACCREDITATION

- Caddies are accredited outside the NOC quota and receive the following privileges:
  - Olympic Village and dining access
  - Sport Venue access
  - Accommodation within the Olympic village
- One “P” category Accreditation has been allotted to each golf athlete for use by his/her coach/entourage [which provides access to the KCC on both competition and non-competition days.](#)
- One Training Access Pass (TAP) has been allotted to each athlete for use by his/her coach/entourage. [The TAP provides access to the KCC on non-competition days only.](#) Athletes should contact their IGF Athlete Relations liaison should any issues be encountered regarding the allocation of these access devices.

## IGF ATHLETE FRIENDS & FAMILY TICKETING PROGRAMME

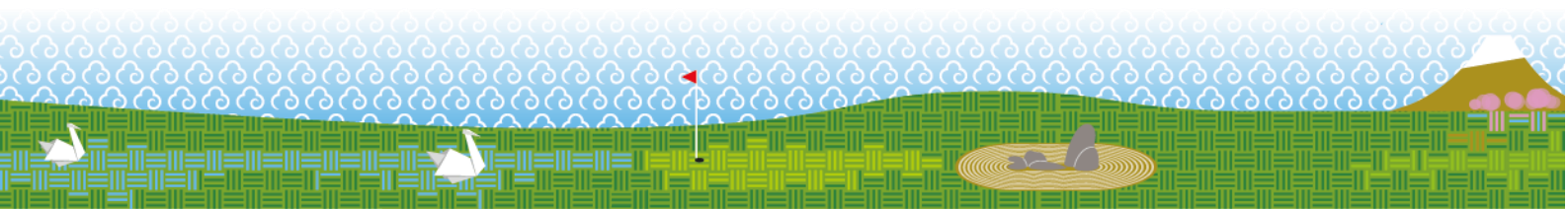
- In addition to the IOC athlete ticketing allocation, the IGF is happy to provide a further enhancement by providing each competing athlete up to 4 tickets per golf session in which the athlete is participating for use by his/her family and friends.
- Provided these guests are registered with the IGF, they will also gain access to the IGF-Olympic Family lounge located on the 18th Green.
- Further information as to the ordering process and conditions will be provided [in April 2020.](#)

## TICKETS FOR OTHER SPORTS

- [Tickets across all sports have been in high demand since the release of the ticket sales and a number of competitions are already sold out.](#)
- Tickets may be purchased in advance through your local “authorised ticket resellers” (ATR). Details may be found on the [Tokyo 2020 website.](#)
- [Athletes will also have the opportunity to apply for other sports’ tickets \(free of charge\) two days before the date of the competition through their NOC as part of the Different Discipline Athlete \(DDA\) ticketing programme managed by the Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee.](#)
- [Tickets can also be purchased onsite at the Olympic Village as well as at the golf course’s Ticket Box Office.](#)

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE

- Breakfast and lunch, as well as afternoon snacks will be served for athletes and caddies at the athletes’ lounge at the venue both on official practice and competition days.
- Athletes and caddies will have access to the Olympic Village Dining Hall [operating 24/7.](#)



## MEDICAL

- The facilities of Kasumigaseki Country Club (KCC) will be staffed by doctors, nurses and physiotherapists during official practice and competition days.
- Tokyo 2020 has agreed that physiotherapists and doctors from the professional Tours will form part of the venue staff.
- Fitness facilities will be available at the golf course and at the Olympic Village.
- A Polyclinic will be located in the residential zone of the Olympic Village and will be the main treatment provider for urgent and necessary services for athletes and NOC team officials during the Games.
- Coronavirus outbreak: with the virus now spreading outside China to several countries including Japan, the IOC is also concerned ahead of the July 24-August 9 Games in Tokyo bringing together more than 10,000 athletes from around the world. Countermeasures against infectious diseases constitute an important part of Tokyo 2020's plans to host a safe and secure Games. Tokyo 2020 will continue to collaborate with all relevant organisations which carefully monitor any incidence of infectious diseases and will review any countermeasures that may be necessary with all relevant organisations. In addition, the IOC is in contact with the World Health Organisation, as well as its own medical experts. Any travel to China is therefore strongly not advised. The IOC Medical and Scientific Director Dr Richard Budgett issued [this letter](#) dated 30 January 2020 with the IOC's position on the matter together with advice from the World Health Organisation (WHO).

## WEATHER

- Tokyo can experience high temperatures in Summer. To cater for this, the first tee time has been set at 7:30am to take advantage of moderate temperatures.
- An IOC group of medical experts has developed "Beat the Heat" Guidelines to assist athletes in their preparations to acclimatise and stay hydrated including several pre-cooling strategies. These guidelines may be found [here](#) on the IOC website.

## RULE 40 - Commercial opportunities for Participants during the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

The IOC Session held on 24-26 June 2019 decided to amend Bye-law 3 of Rule 40 of the Olympic Charter as follows:

*"Competitors, team officials and other team personnel who participate in the Olympic Games may allow their person, name, picture or sports performances to be used for advertising purposes during the Olympic Games in accordance with the principles determined by the IOC Executive Board."*

The principles seek to clarify the commercial opportunities during the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, and put athletes and other Olympic Games participants in a better position to work with their personal sponsors in a manner consistent with their rights and responsibilities under the Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration and the Olympic Charter.



The new principles represent a balance between, on the one hand, protecting and maintaining Olympic marketing programmes to ensure funding of the Olympic Games and the Olympic Movement, and, on the other hand, the individual athlete's rights to generate income in relation to their sporting career, name and likeness. The National Olympic Committees will be responsible for the implementation in their respective territory, while taking into consideration their specific applicable legal framework.

The IOC has issued [this document](#) which outlines the guidelines for Commercial Opportunities for Participants during the Games. Please note that notification of generic advertising plans should be provided to the IOC, Tokyo 2020 and the affected or targeted NOC through an online platform for advertising notification no later than 15 May 2020. More information should be provided by the IOC in due course. In the meantime, for any questions, we encourage athletes to contact their respective NOCs for guidance.

## **RULE 50**

As stated in the Olympic Charter, the NOCs have the sole and exclusive authority to prescribe and determine the clothing and uniforms to be worn, and the equipment to be used, by the members of their delegations on the occasion of the Olympic Games and in connection with all sports competitions and ceremonies related thereto. This exclusive authority does not extend to specialised equipment used by the athletes for their delegations during the actual sports competitions. Clothing and shoes worn by athletes shall be consistent with currently accepted golf fashion. A policy on Athlete Uniform Guidelines may be found within the IGF Regulations. Clothing shall be in conformance with the Olympic Charter in particular in accordance with the golf-specific application of the Guidelines regarding Authorised Identifications (Olympic Charter, Rule 50).

Caddies shall wear bibs with athlete name badges as prescribed by Tokyo 2020 and the IGF and clothing as provided by the NOC of the caddie's athlete.

The [Rule 50 General Guidelines](#) as well as the [Golf Specific Guidelines](#) are available on the IGF website. The IOC Athletes' Commission has developed [guidelines for athletes](#) clarifying opportunities for athletes to express their views during the Olympic Games, should they so wish, within the context of local laws and Rule 50.

## **OLYMPIC TEST EVENT**

The 25th 2019 Japan Junior Golf Championship at the KCC was held as the Tokyo 2020 Test Event which took place on 14-16 August 2019.





## KEY DATES

In addition to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and International Golf Federation's (IGF) Key Dates listed below, each National Olympic Committee will have important dates of its own. Please familiarize yourself with all relevant material.

TOPIC	DATE	MILESTONE
Competition	June 2019	<b>IGF Olympic Golf Regulations – 1st release by IGF</b>
IGF Communication	June 2019	<b>1st “IGF Olympic Games Planning Update” sent to athletes, agents, NOCs, NFs, IGF Professional Members</b>
Competition	14 – 16 August 2019	<b>Golf Test Event at KCC</b>
Anti-Doping	August 2019	<b>IOC Anti-Doping Rules published by IOC</b>
Rule 40	October 2019	<b>IOC Rule 40 published by IOC</b>
Anti-Doping	December 2019	<b>IGF Anti-Doping Handbook released by IGF</b>
Competition	January 2020	<b>IGF Olympic Golf Regulations – 2nd release by IGF</b>
Entries	January 2020	<b>IGF sends NOCs/NFs IGF Entry Form by NOC &amp; IGF Registration &amp; Regulations Forms to Athletes &amp; Caddies</b>
IGF Communication	February 2020	<b>2nd “IGF Olympic Games Planning Update” sent to athletes, agents, NOCs, NFs, IGF Professional Members</b>
Entries	2 March 2020	<b>Deadline for NOCs/NFs to return IGF Entry Form to IGF and for athletes and caddies to sign IGF Registration &amp; Regulations forms</b>
Accreditation	10 April 2020	<b>Tokyo 2020 Accreditation Deadline (all potential athletes and caddies to be registered with Tokyo 2020)</b>
Anti-Doping	24 April 2020	<b>Athletes on IGF Registered Testing Pool (RTP) - whereabouts requirements and testing begins</b>
IGF Communication	May 2020	<b>3rd “IGF Olympic Games Planning Update” sent to athletes, agents, NOCs, NFs, IGF Professional Members</b>
Competition	June 2020	<b>IGF Olympic Golf Regulations – final release by IGF</b>
Entries	22 June 2020	<b>Men’s Qualification period to earn Olympic Golf Ranking points concludes</b>
	23 June 2020	<b>Olympic Golf Rankings &amp; Reallocation Reserve list published &amp; IGF informs NOCs/NFs of quota places (Men)</b>
	29 June 2020	<b>Women’s Qualification period to earn Olympic Golf Ranking points concludes</b>
	30 June 2020	<b>Olympic Golf Rankings &amp; Reallocation Reserve list published &amp; IGF informs NOCs/NFs of quota places (Women)</b>
	2 July 2020	<b>NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places (men &amp; women) to IGF by completing IGF Athlete Nomination Form</b>
	6 July 2020	<b>Tokyo 2020 Sport Entries Deadline</b>
IGF Communication	July 2020	<b>IGF Games-time Pocket Guide sent to athletes, agents, NOCs, NFs, IGF Professional Members</b>
Accommodation	14 July 2020	<b>Olympic Village opens</b>
Ceremonies	24 July 2020	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>
Practice	25 July 2020	<b>Official Practice starts</b>
Competition	30 July 2020	<b>Men’s Competition starts</b>
Competition	5 August 2020	<b>Women’s Competition starts</b>
Ceremonies	9 August 2020	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>