

# 1st IGF OLYMPIC GAMES PLANNING UPDATE

## - Tokyo 2020 -

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

Further IGF Olympic Games Planning Updates will be circulated later in 2019 and into 2020. 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**

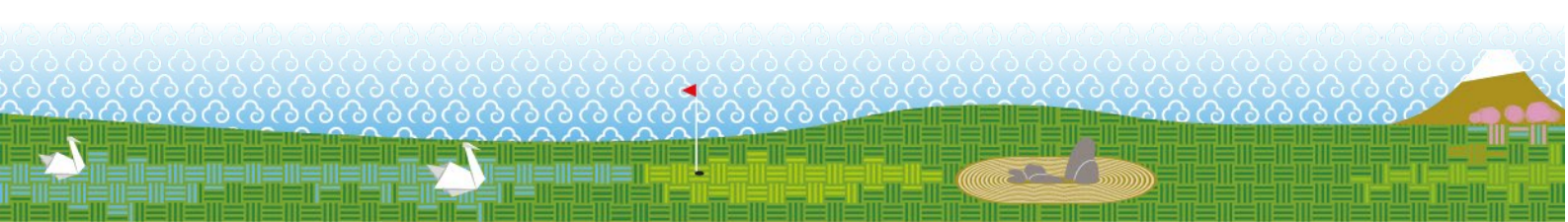
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## OVERVIEW

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 and travel times are expected to be approximately 60 minutes with the implementation of traffic mitigation measures by local authorities.

## 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	Ticketed 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	Ticketed 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 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 every Monday
- Links to Reallocation Reserve Lists are also accessible & updated every Monday
- 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.

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, before being permitted to participate at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. The first release of the IGF Olympic Golf Regulations is available [here](#) on the IGF website.

## 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 travel times are expected to be approximately 60 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.
- It has not yet been determined if this car fleet service will be available for those athletes not staying at the OLV. If it is not, 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).
- 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

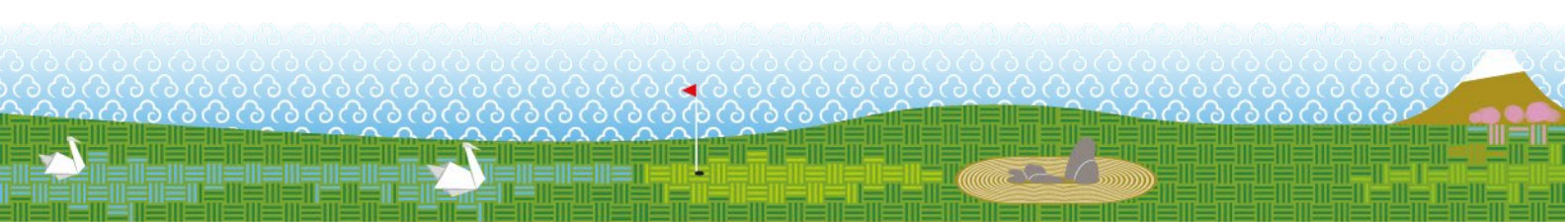
- Caddies are accredited outside the NOC quota and receive the following privileges:
  - Olympic Village and dining access
  - Sport Venue access
  - Accommodation within the Olympic village
- One “P” category Accreditation has been allotted to each athlete for use by his/her coach/entourage. Athletes should contact their IGF Athlete Relations liaison should any issues be encountered regarding the allocation of this “P” accreditation.

## 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 the 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 at a later stage.

## 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.



## MEDICAL SERVICES

- 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.

## 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.

## ANTI-DOPING

- The IGF manages the Registered Testing Pool for the Olympic Games Athletes in accordance with IGF Anti-Doping Policy
- In cooperation with the Tours and National Anti-Doping Agencies, the IGF conducts tests on all qualified athletes prior to the Games
- Details about the anti-doping programme will be circulated and published on the IGF's website at the end of this year:
  - Relevant rules (IOC, IGF, WADA Standards)
  - Prohibited List in force
  - TUE application and recognition process
  - Online education and information (IGF Anti-Doping Handbook for Tokyo)
- Any queries, please contact IGF at [AntiDoping@igfmail.org](mailto:AntiDoping@igfmail.org)

## RULE 40

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, and will receive the guidelines soon. These guidelines will also be distributed by the IGF to the athletes and their agents.

## **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.

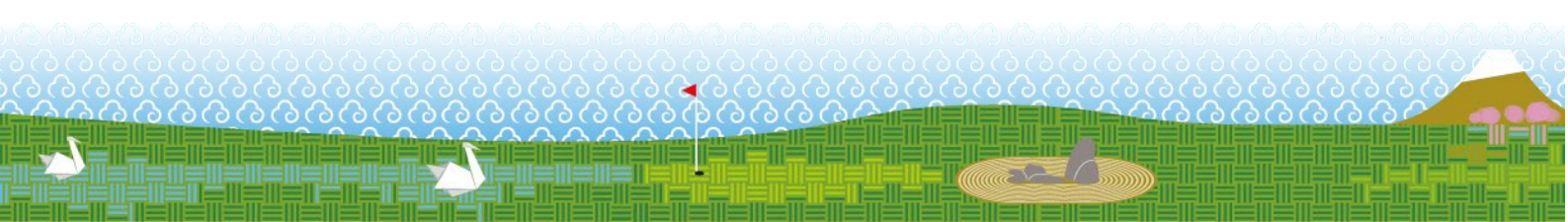
## **OLYMPIC TEST EVENT**

The 25th 2019 Japan Junior Golf Championship held at the KCC has been designated as the Tokyo 2020 Test Event which will take 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	September 2019	<b>IOC Rule 40 published by IOC</b>
IGF Communication	September 2019	<b>2nd "IGF Olympic Games Planning Update" sent to athletes, agents, NOCs, NFs, IGF Professional Members</b>
Anti-Doping	December 2019	<b>IGF Anti-Doping Handbook released by IGF</b>
IGF Communication	January 2020	<b>3rd "IGF Olympic Games Planning Update" sent to athletes, agents, NOCs, NFs, IGF Professional Members</b>
Entries	2 January 2020	<b>IGF sends NOCs/NFs IGF Entry Form by NOC &amp; IGF Registration &amp; Regulations Forms to Athletes &amp; Caddies</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	April 2020	<b>IGF Games-time Pocket Guide 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>
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>

