

Skateboarding Sport Update

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About this Sport Update

Published in December 2020, the series of Sport Updates offer a summary of competition-related material about each sport at Tokyo 2020 and provide a variety of information to help teams in their planning and preparation for the Games.

General information such as accreditation, accommodation, transport, COVID-19 countermeasures, etc., is not included as it is still in the process of being finalised, but interim information relating to these areas is continually being published on Tokyo 2020 Connect as it is confirmed.

All information provided in this Sport Update was correct at the time of publication, but some details may have changed prior to the Games.

NOC representatives are advised to regularly check the IOC's NOCnet and Tokyo 2020 Connect for the latest updates, especially regarding competition schedules.

Team Leaders' Guides explaining Games-time plans for sports in greater detail will be distributed to NOCs in May 2021.

WELCOME



On behalf of the Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games, I am delighted to present the Skateboarding Sport Update for the Games of the XXXII Olympiad.

We have been working diligently to provide facilities, services and protocols which will allow everyone involved in the Games to achieve all three of Tokyo 2020's core concepts: achieving personals bests, unity in diversity, and connecting to tomorrow.

Included is information about:

- processes relating to competition and training
- key dates and personnel
- competition schedule, format and rules
- venue facilities and services

We trust it will assist you with your planning for the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. If you require any additional information that is not found in this guide, do not hesitate to check Tokyo 2020 Connect or contact the sport manager.

Please rest assured that the Olympic flame will not go out and will continue to burn in our hearts until the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 next summer.

We look forward to welcoming you all with our unique Japanese hospitality when you arrive in Tokyo in July 2021.

Kind regards,



KOTANI Mikako Sport Director, Tokyo 2020

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Skateboarding overview

Skateboarding at the Olympic Games

Tokyo 2020 will be the debut of Skateboarding at the Olympic Games. It was officially accepted into the programme by an IOC vote during the 2016 IOC Session in Rio de Janeiro.

There is no single person credited with inventing skateboarding or the first skateboard. The actual invention of the skateboard appears to have been a spontaneous occurrence in the United States sometime in the 1950s, fuelled by the rise of surf culture and the modification of Great Depressionera kick scooters. Surfers are credited with this invention in their attempt to replicate surfing on land when the waves were flat, but by most accounts, these homemade skateboards were being built all over the USA in the 1950s.

Following the invention of the kicktail in 1969 and urethane wheels in the early 1970s the ability to turn and manoeuvre skateboards, along with wheels that gripped the surface being ridden, opened up infinite new possibilities for Skateboarding.

Skateboarding rapidly evolved from a fad during its first boom in the 1960s, to the centre of mainstream youth culture in the early 2000s. Skateboarding developed as an insular subculture; independent of the structure that defines traditional organised sports. It has been a grassroots movement driven by youth, with the vast majority of first-time participants under the age of 18.

The lifestyle of Skateboarding is an immersive one that celebrates the abilities of skateboarders both on and off their boards. Art, photography, music, fashion, filmmaking, invention, innovation, and competition are all key components of Skateboarding. Participants gravitate to any or all of these elements of Skateboarding, as each contributes to the skateboarding community, and helps develop athletic prowess along with the life-skills and confidence necessary to become productive members of society.

Skateboarding is as much an art as it is sport, the fun and freedom of expression bestowed on those willing to step on a board is rewarding for all, regardless of ability, age, gender, socio-economic status, or ethnicity.

Key personnel

World Skate

President: Sabatino ARACU (ITA)
Chairman of Skateboarding Commission: Gary REAM (USA)

IF Technical Delegates: Simone MASSERINI (ITA), Luca BASILICO (ITA), TBD

Tokyo 2020 competition management

Skateboarding Sport Manager: MURAKAMI Jin (JPN)
Skateboarding Services Manager: IWAKATA Rieko (JPN)
Skateboarding Technical Operations Manager: OGAWA Gen (JPN)



MURAKAMI Jin Skateboarding Sport Manager, Tokyo 2020

With over 35 years of experience in the skateboard industry, Murakami Jin has been involved in organising many events and competitions in Japan. For many years he also worked at a major skateboard retail store in Japan and has been a coach and an athlete manager. Born and raised in Tokyo, Murakami has been watching the Japanese skateboarding scene for many years and is familiar with local facilities and conditions. He is also a director of the Japan Roller Sports Federation (JRSF).

International Technical Officials (ITOs)

TBD

Skateboarding competition

The Skateboarding competition at Tokyo 2020 will be held from Sunday 25 July to Monday 26 July 2021 (Street) and from Wednesday 4 August to Thursday 5 August 2021 (Park) at Ariake Urban Sports Park.

Medal events

Men (2)	Women (2)
Street	Street
Park	Park

A total of 80 athletes (40 men, 40 women) can participate in the four Skateboarding events at Tokyo 2020: Street (20 men, 20 women) and Park (20 men, 20 women). A minimum of one athlete per continent will be guaranteed a spot for each event, and a minimum of one spot in each event will be guaranteed to the host country.

Street

Street skateboarding courses are designed to replicate real-world urban terrain and consist of stair sets, rails, gaps, benches, ledges, and planters on riding surfaces of variable elevations up to approximately 2.5m (8 feet). Traditional skatepark elements such as banks and quarterpipes are also included.

The competitors in Street contests are required to skate the course in two different ways: a timed "run" where they perform a sequence of tricks during the allotted 45 seconds; and a "trick" section consisting of five separate attempts to perform different tricks of their choosing.

There are no compulsory tricks in Street Skateboarding. Skaters are free to attempt any trick they want during any phase of the competition.

The foundation of modern Street Skateboarding is a trick called the Ollie. An Ollie allows skaters to lift the skateboard off the ground only using their feet and unleashes thousands of different opportunities for tricks where skateboarders spin and flip their boards, and leap up, down, onto, or over every obstacle in their path.

Park

Park terrain courses are based on transitional concrete bowls from 1.5m to 3m (5 to 10 feet) in depth and are distinguished by design features such as spines, hips, extensions, escalators, banks, elevation changes, gaps, and variable grinding surfaces.

The competitors in Park contests have three attempts to execute their best 45-second "run" consisting of multiple tricks of their choosing.

There are no compulsory tricks in Park Skateboarding. Skaters are free to attempt any trick they want during the competition.

Skateboarders generate and maintain momentum and move through Park courses without pushing, utilising two specialised techniques known as pumping and carving.

Park Skateboarding tricks consist primarily of airs, lip tricks, and inverts. Along with significant differences in course design, park differs from Street Skateboarding in that competitors almost never push to generate speed and frequently perform tricks grabbing the board with their hands.

Airs are tricks performed in mid-air and can be done with or without grabbing the board. Lip tricks are grinds, slides, or other manoeuvres performed on the metal or cement edges of the course (known as coping). Inverts, also known as handplants, consist of a skater balancing on one hand, on or near the coping, before returning to a standing position atop their skateboard on the course surface.

Key dates

5 JULY 2021	Sport entries final deadline (23:59 JST)
13 JULY 2021	Olympic Village official opening
14 JULY 2021	Start of Skateboard general training (09:00)
20 JULY 2021	Information meeting and draw for Street (17:00)
21 JULY 2021	Start of official Street practice sessions (07:00)
23 JULY 2021	Olympic Games Opening Ceremony
24 JULY 2021	Technical meeting for Street (18:00)
25 JULY 2021 (DAY 2)	Men's Street competition
26 JULY 2021 (DAY 3)	Women's Street competition
30 JULY 2021	Information meeting & draw for Park (17:00)
31 JULY 2021	Start of official Park practice sessions (7:00)
3 AUGUST 2021	Technical meeting for Park (18:00)
4 AUGUST 2021 (DAY 12)	Women's Park competition
5 AUGUST 2021 (DAY 13)	Men's Park competition
8 AUGUST 2021 (DAY 16)	Olympic Games Closing Ceremony
11 AUGUST 2021	Olympic Village closes

Competition format

Park

In the preliminary phase, the 20 skaters will compete in four heats of five skaters. The top eight skaters from the combined ranking of the heats will progress to the finals.

In each round, the skaters will compete for the best of three or four runs ranging from 40 to 60 seconds depending skatepark size or layout.

Five judges will use a 0-100.00 points scale. The highest and lowest scores for each run are dropped, and the remaining three scores are averaged to two decimal places to give a score for the run.

Street

In the preliminary phases, the 20 skaters will compete in four heats of five skaters. The top eight skaters from the combined ranking of the heats will progress to the finals. In each round, the skaters will perform two 45-second runs and five individually scored tricks.

Both of the runs, and each of the five tricks, are judged by five judges who will use a 0-10.0 points scale. The highest and lowest judges' scores for each run or trick are dropped, and the remaining three scores are averaged to give a score for each run and each trick (seven scores). The best four scores from runs or tricks will be added to give the total round score.

Judging

The skateboarding judging criteria has been created to foster continual progression of the sport while highlighting the importance of creativity and originality of skateboarding in competition. The judging panel use specific criteria to formulate a single score based on overall impression of a skater's performance within the parameters of the competition. The main criteria include, in order of importance: difficulty, execution, use of course, flow, and consistency.

The Skateboard

The skateboards used in Olympic Park and Street competitions consist primarily of a plywood "deck" approximately 81cm (32 inches) long and 21cm (8 inches) wide, with adhesive griptape on the top, four urethane wheels, and eight ball bearings inside the wheels. Two aluminium trucks, connected by four bolts each to the deck, are the primary turning mechanism and mount for the wheels.

Rules

The Skateboarding competition will be held in accordance with the editions of the following documents that are in force at the time of the Games:

World Skate Skateboarding Rulebook

www.worldskate.org/skateboarding/about/regulations.html

The Olympic Charter

www.olympic.org/documents/olympic-charter

In accordance with Rule 46 of the IOC Olympic Charter, WSK will be responsible for the technical control and direction of the Skateboarding competition at Tokyo 2020.

Clothing and equipment

Clothing and equipment used by athletes and other participants in the Skateboarding competition at the Olympic Games must comply with the documents listed below:

World Skate Skateboarding Rulebook

www.worldskate.org/skateboarding/about/regulations.html with particular reference to Technical Specifications of the Materials, and Visual Identification

The Olympic Charter

<u>www.olympic.org/documents/olympic-charter</u> with particular reference to Rule 50: Advertising, Demonstrations, Propaganda and Bye-law to Rule 50

The IOC Guidelines Regarding Authorised Identifications for the Games of the XXXII Olympiad, Tokyo 2020 (distributed by the IOC to all NOCs)

The prohibition of any advertising and publicity in and above Olympic sites (as expressed in the Olympic Charter) is one of the aspects that differentiate the Olympic Games from other international events.

This is reflected in particular in Bye-law to Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter as follows:

No form of publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise, may appear on persons, on sportswear, accessories or, more generally, on any article of clothing or equipment whatsoever worn or used by the athletes or other participants in the Olympic Games, except the identification [...] of the manufacturer of the article or equipment concerned, provided that such identification shall not be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes.

Placing the national and Olympic identity of athletes at the forefront helps to further distinguish the Olympic Games, whilst respecting the significant contribution that sporting goods manufacturers provide.





Skateboarding

Competition Schedule Event Details Version 2.01

Day 2			Sun 25 Jul 2021	
Session	SKB01		Start: 9:00 End: 13:55	Ariake Urban Sports Park
Time		Duration	Event name	
9:00 -	9:33	0:33	Men's Street Prelims Heat 1	
9:41 -	10:14	0:33	Men's Street Prelims Heat 2	
10:22 -	10:55	0:33	Men's Street Prelims Heat 3	
11:03 -	11:37	0:33	Men's Street Prelims Heat 4	
12:25 -	13:28	1:03	Men's Street Final	
13:39 -	13:54	0:15	Men's Street Victory Ceremony	
Day 3			Mon 26 Jul 2021	
Session	SKB02		Start: 9:00 End: 13:55	Ariake Urban Sports Park
Time		Duration	Event name	·
9:00 -	9:33	0:33	Women's Street Prelims Heat 1	
9:41 -	10:14	0:33	Women's Street Prelims Heat 2	
10:22 -	10:55	0:33	Women's Street Prelims Heat 3	
11:03 -	11:37	0:33	Women's Street Prelims Heat 4	
12:25 -	13:28	1:03	Women's Street Final	
13:39 -	13:54	0:15	Women's Street Victory Ceremony	
Day 12			Wed 4 Aug 2021	
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Session	SKB03		Start: 9:00 End: 13:40	Ariake Urban Sports Park
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Pre-competition procedures

INFORMATION MEETING AND DRAW		
	DATE	20 July 2021
Street	TIME	17:00
	LOCATION	Athletes' Lounge, Ariake Urban Sports Park
	DATE	30 July 2021
Park	TIME	17:00
	LOCATION	Athletes' Lounge, Ariake Urban Sports Park

TECHNICAL MEETING		
	DATE	24 July 2021
Street	TIME	18:00
	LOCATION	Athletes' Lounge, Ariake Urban Sports Park
	DATE	3 August 2021
Park	TIME	18:00
	LOCATION	Athletes' Lounge, Ariake Urban Sports Park

Skaters' briefing

Before the start of each session, skaters will be called to a short meeting held outside of the field of play.

Competition procedures

Call to competition

TBD

Introduction of athletes and technical officials

TBD

Post-competition procedures

Leaving the field of play

TBD

Doping control

TBD

Competition venue

Ariake Urban Sports Park

1-7 Ariake Koto-ku Tokyo Japan

The Tokyo 2020 Skateboarding competition will be held at Ariake Urban Sports Park, a new legacy venue for urban sports in the Tokyo Bay Zone. Gross capacity of Ariake Urban Sports Park for Tokyo 2020 Skateboarding competition will be 7000.

During the Games, the venue will include two competition courses and one warm-up area for Skateboarding. The competition courses will be concrete constructions and will be presented in accordance with World Skate requirements.

Venue access

TA (athletes and team officials' transport) services between the Olympic Village and Ariake Urban Sports Park will drop off athletes at the load zone located at the back-of-house entrance. Athletes will arrive at the competition venue without needing to pass through accreditation and security check again (clean-to-clean).

Field of play

TBD

Venue transport

A complete timetable of TA services for Skateboarding competition and training sessions will be available at the Transport desk in the Olympic Village and the Sport Information Desk (SID) at Ariake Urban Sports Park.

Venue facilities and services

Athletes' Lounge

The Athletes' Lounge is located on the second floor of the building containing the athletes' preparation areas. The lounge will be equipped with chairs, sofas, tables, and a television displaying live competition.

A refreshment station serving whole fruits, cold snacks, Coca-Cola drinks and hot drinks will be available for athletes and team officials. The lounge will be open from 09:00 to 18:00 between 14 July to 5 August 2021. Please note that these operating hours may vary and are subject to venue operations. The venue Sport Information Desk (SID) will have the most up-to-date information about Athletes' Lounge opening hours.

Changing rooms and showers

Separate changing rooms and showers for men and women are located in the Athletes' Lounge. The changing rooms will contain benches, mirrors and shelves for clothes.

Massage area

TBC

Food and beverage

Athlete Venue Meals (AVMs) in the form of cold-packed meals can be ordered for athletes who spend more than four hours outside of the Olympic Village for training or competition. AVMs must be ordered at the Sport Information Centre (SIC) in the Olympic Village by 10:00) two days before the competition or official training day. AVM orders will be available from 14 July until 8 August 2021. The AVMs will be handed over to the Athletes' Lounge of the competition venue. AVMs will include items such as sandwiches, salads, pieces of fruit, dessert, and yoghurt. A vegetarian option will also be available, but it must be requested at the time of ordering.

Athletes and team officials may bring food into Tokyo 2020 competition venues, but please note there is no refrigeration available.

Team cabins

The Skateboarding team cabins are located on the second floor of the back-of-house area. Each cabin will contain chairs tables, shelves, and 100V Type A Japanese power sockets. Keys to the cabin will only be provided to NOCs upon request on official training and competition days.

Equipment repair station

TBD

Sport Information Desk (SID)

The SID is located in the Athletes' Lounge between the warm-up area and team cabins. It will be open from 09:00 and 18:00 between 14 July and 3 August 2021

Medical services

The location of the athletes' medical room is TBD. The Tokyo 2020 athlete medical team will provide services such as first aid, emergency care, sports medicine and physical therapy services to athletes, team officials and technical officials. The medical team will consist of at least one doctor and one physiotherapist, and nurses. Ambulances will also be stationed at Ariake Urban Sports Park during medical services operational hours. Each ambulance is staffed with a crew of three trained medical personnel.

Doping control

The doping control station for Skateboarding at Ariake Urban Sports Park is located near the athletes' medical room.

Mixed zone

There are two mixed zones for Skateboarding at Ariake Urban Sports Park. The broadcast mixed zone is located inside the field of play, and a second mixed zone reserved for the press is located outside the field of play, on the south side.

Venue Accreditation Office (VAO)

TBD

Heat countermeasures

During Games-time, the following countermeasures against heat will be taken at Ariake Urban Sports Park to ensure the good health of athletes:

- Athletes' Lounge with air conditioning
- Water/ice to be provided
- Team cabins with air conditioning
- Waiting area with air conditioner

Training venue

Ariake Urban Sports Park

1-7 Ariake Koto-ku Tokyo Japan

Training for Skateboarding at Tokyo 2020 will also be held at Ariake Urban Sports Park. The venue will be open for training from Wednesday 14 July to Tuesday 3 August 2021, except on competition dates.

All equipment will be approved by World Skate and will comply with Rule 50 and Bye-law to Rule 50 of the IOC Olympic Charter.

Training schedule

Skateboarding training will take place at the warm-up area of Ariake Urban Sports Park, which will be open for training from 09:00 to 18:30 between Wednesday 14 July and Thursday 22 July 2021, and from Saturday 24 July to Tuesday 3 August 2021. Training will only be available from 09:00 to 15:30 on Friday 23 July 2021 due to the Opening Ceremony.

TA services (athletes and team officials' transport) to Ariake Urban Sports Park will be available on official training days.

SKATEBOARDING TRAINING SCHEDULE *		
DATE	HOURS	
14 – 22 July 2021	09:00 – 18:30	
23 July 2021	09:00 – 15:30	
24 July – 3 August 2021	09:00 – 18:30	

^{*}Except on competition days

Training facilities

TBC

Training Access Pass (TAP)

TBD

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The Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (Tokyo 2020)

Tokyo won the right to stage the Games of the XXXII Olympiad on 7 September 2013. The Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (Tokyo 2020) is a private, not-for-profit sports association that was officially formed on 24 January 2014. Spearheaded by former prime minister of Japan, Yoshiro Mori, as president, the organising committee is composed of members from various organisations including the Japanese Olympic Committee (JOC), Japanese Paralympic Committee (JPC), Tokyo Metropolitan Government (TMG) and the national government of Japan.

Tokyo 2020 was assigned its mission by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and must follow their guidance, the Host City Contract, the Olympic Charter, the IPC Handbook, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) regulations and Japanese law.

Tokyo 2020 works in cooperation with Olympic and Paralympic Worldwide Partners, Gold Partners, Official Partners and Official Supporters.

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International Olympic Committee (IOC)

The International Olympic Committee was created on 23 June 1894. Less than two years later, on 6 April 1896, the first Olympic Games of the modern era opened in Athens, and the Olympic Movement has not stopped growing ever since. The Olympic Movement encompasses organisations, athletes and other persons who agree to be guided by the principles of the Olympic Charter. The goal of the Olympic Movement is to contribute to building a peaceful and better world by educating youth through sport practised without discrimination of any kind, in a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play.

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World Skate (WSK)

World Skate evolved from an organisation originally formed as the Fédération Internationale de Patinage á Roulettes (FIPR) in 1924 to manage rink hockey competitions between a small number of European national federations. FIPR also became responsible for roller speed skating (track and road) competitions and artistic roller skating before changing its name in the 1960s to Fédération Internationale de Roller Skating (FIRS).

In the 1960s, the Federation changed its name again to Federation Internationale de Roller Skating (FIRS) and was officially recognised by the IOC as the international governing body for all roller skating sports. In the 1970s, FIRS was recognized as a member of the General Association of International Sport Federations (GAISF).

In 2000, a FIRS Congress authorised a second title change for the federation, substituting Roller Skating with Roller Sports while retaining the FIRS acronym.

In September 2017, FIRS organised the first edition of the World Roller Games in Nanjing, China as part of the Youth Olympic Games 2014 legacy program. During the event, which included world championships in all 10 skating sports which FIRS oversees, an Extraordinary Congress resolution changed the organisation's name to World Skate.

Olympic participation has always been a dream for FIRS since Barcelona 1992 when Rink Hockey was a demonstration sport. It took other 22 years to again be close to the dream with the Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Games where both Inline Speed Skating and Skateboarding ruled the SportsLab and finally gained respective spots for the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games and Tokyo 2020.

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In 1953 the Japan Roller Skating Federation was established before changing its name Japan Roller Sports Federation (JRSF) in 2006. In 2018 the corporate status of the JRSF was changed from a specified non-profit corporation to an ordinary incorporated corporation. In September 2019 the JRSF was renamed as World Skate Japan and continue to be responsible for overseeing nine committees and 12 disciplines of roller sports in Japan.

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